



# Troop 54

Worcester, MA

## COVID-19 Controls

### Participant Screening

We no longer perform screening of participants for symptoms.

### Social Distancing

We no longer require social distancing.

### Face Masks

We no longer require masks.

### Sanitation

Water will be available for hand washing and/or hand sanitizer be available.

### Tents

We no longer restrict who can share tents beyond Youth Protection policies. For any Scout who prefers not to share a tent, the Troop will provide a single person tent.

### Dining

We no longer have COVID-19 related meal requirements.

### Vaccination

The Troop encourages Scout families to get their eligible Scouts vaccinated.

### Risk

In accordance with guidance from the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), people at high risk for severe illness from COVID-19 require physician approval to participate in an in-person troop activity. We define this as having any of the following risk factors (based on the CDC description as of 7/5/20):

- Age 65 or above
- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant
- Obesity (body mass index [BMI] of 30 or higher)
- Serious heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies
- Sickle cell disease
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

Despite the above measures, the risk of COVID-19 exposure cannot be eliminated. Higher-risk individuals should carefully consider their situations. The BSA recommends that no one in the higher-risk category take part in person.