



# **GUEST GROUP COVID-19 POLICY**

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This policy is applicable to guest groups looking to book at Camp Mini-Yo-We and was created in consultation with the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit. We will keep group leaders informed of any changes to this policy that would impact your booking prior to arrival.

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## **COHORTING**

- Guests are required to be divided into cohorts prior to arrival.
- Cohorts are typically limited to 14 people and usually consist of a single cabin.
- Cohorts typically sleep, eat and do activities together while at Camp.
- Everyone in a cohort is considered “close contacts” in the case of a presumptive or actual COVID-19 case amongst guests.

## **MASKS**

- Not required in your own accommodations
- Not required indoors when only with your cohort
- Not required indoors when eating and drinking at your cohort’s table
- Not required indoors when multiple cohorts are present IF all cohorts can remain physically distanced the entire time and ventilation is adequate.
- Not required outdoors when only with your cohort
- Not required outdoors when with multiple cohort IF all cohorts remain physically distanced.

## **MEALS**

- Guests must sit and eat with members of their cohort. Cohorts can’t mix at meals.
- Cohorts must sit at tables that are a minimum of 6 feet apart
- Masks are required in the dining hall unless a guest is sitting at their table

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

- All guests in a cabin are considered part of a cohort. Cabins hold up to 14 guests.
- Guests are only permitted inside their own accommodation.
- Physical distancing is encouraged but not required in your accommodation.
- Masks are not required in your accommodation.

## **OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**

- Activity areas are routinely cleaned/disinfected as per our cleaning policies
- We encourage a schedule where only a single cohort is at an activity area at a time. If multiple cohorts are present at an activity together and cannot remain physically distanced, we require masks to be worn.

## **MEETINGS, GATHERINGS AND SINGING:**

- Meeting areas are routinely cleaned/disinfected as per our cleaning policies
- Masks are required indoors while meeting unless you can keep each cohort physically distanced the entire time (ie. assigned seating).
- Singing is permitted, granted you follow the guidelines above regarding masking and physical distancing.

## VACCINATIONS

- Vaccinations are not currently required for guests under the age of 12 at this time.
- Guests over the age of 12 are required to provide proof of vaccination (or a valid medical exemption letter from their doctor) unless their group doesn't eat indoors or meet indoors while on property.

## SCREENING

- Guests are required to screen for COVID-19 each day they are on property. Depending on the type of guest group screening will look different.
  - If the group is primarily children, we require daily active screening. This involves a group leader completing a checklist each day before breakfast where they ask all attendees (leaders and youth) pre-screening questions.
  - If the group is primarily adults, we simply ask that guests self-monitor for symptoms via passive screening. Active screening for adult groups isn't required.
- If a guest self-identifies as having COVID-19 symptoms we require that they be isolated and go get a COVID-19 PCR test. Since it typically takes 48 hours to receive test results this will likely result in that guest returning home immediately.
- If a guest is considered a close contact to another guest who has COVID-19 symptoms they are only required to self isolate IF they are not vaccinated. If they are vaccinated and don't have symptoms themselves, they can continue participating in group activities.
- For more details regarding screening outcomes please reach out to our team.

## CLEANING & DISINFECTION

- High touch surfaces in areas used by guests are disinfected twice daily. This includes areas such as bathrooms, tabletops, door handles, etc.

## GROUP POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- Guest groups are required to develop their own COVID-19 policy that is to be reviewed by Camp staff two weeks prior to arrival. This is primarily if you want to impose measures that are more strict than is outlined above. If not, we are happy for you to simply adopt the COVID-19 guest policies in this document.

## POLICY ENFORCEMENT

- Camp Mini-Yo-We staff are responsible for:
  - Answering questions regarding our COVID-19 policies
  - Carry out all routine cleaning and disinfection
  - Provide daily checklists for group leaders to use in screening attendees
  - Enforce policies as they are able
  - Verify proof of vaccination or medical exemptions for guests over the age of 12.
- Guest Group Leaders are responsible for:
  - Reading, understanding and helping to enforce the policies in this document
  - Collecting proof of vaccination (or medical exemption letters) for those age 12 or older AND to provide Camp staff access to these documents if necessary.
  - Providing their own COVID-19 Group Policy two weeks prior to arrival (or simply notifying our staff that they will adopt this policy as their own).

## QUESTIONS?

We would love to help. Reach out to Jez Bell, our Director of Year-Round Programs at [jez@miniyowe.com](mailto:jez@miniyowe.com) or by phone at 705-385-2629.