

TROOP 202 COVID RULES

COMPLIANCE	Troop 202 adheres to guidance from local, state, and national government, the Boy Scouts of America and the local council, and the parish and diocese of our chartered organization. We monitor and consider what the local schools are doing, but our practices may differ since we receive guidance from additional sources and engage in different activities.
SELF-SCREENING	Participants must self-screen for COVID symptoms, including cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, or fever, before attending any troop function. Do not attend if you are ill, or have been exposed to someone who is ill.
SOCIAL DISTANCING	A distance of six feet should be maintained whenever practical. Facilities at St. Elizabeth Seton church are operating at normal capacity.
MASKS	All participants must wear a mask when indoors or under a roof, and when unable to distance from others while outdoors.
LIMITED COMMUNAL COOKING	Individual meal preparation will be done at troop events through August. Starting in September, patrols <u>may</u> plan to cook as a group. Parents may indicate when they register their son for an outing that he will opt out of group cooking and supply his own food.
TENT SHARING WITH DISTANCING	Starting in September, troop tents <u>may</u> be shared by two Scouts. Parents should indicate when they register their son that he will opt out of tent sharing and provide his own or borrow a troop tent. Youth tent separately from adults – even parents – per BSA youth protection rules.
HAND WASHING & SANITIZING	Hand sanitizer will be available in meeting and event areas. Participants are encouraged to wash hands frequently, and to use hand sanitizer when soap and water are not readily available.
LOCAL VENUES & FAMILY CARPOOLS	Some weekend outings have been modified to venues closer to home to facilitate drop-off and pick-up by parents. Families may form carpools if they wish, but the troop will not arrange carpools during the pandemic.
VIRTUAL OPTION	Those who are unable to participate in person due to health conditions or exposure concerns should discuss with the Scoutmaster for possible accommodation.
PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY	Youth and adults are responsible to know and comply with the troop COVID guidelines at all times. Parents should decide if they or their children will participate after weighing risks. Participants who refuse to follow guidelines during a troop activity will be asked to leave.