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A. General Requirements

The “Additional Activities” listed below may resume, subject to the requirements set forth in the Order and to any additional requirements set forth below or in separate guidance by the Health Officer. These activities were selected based on current health-related information, the risk criteria set forth in Section 3 of the Order, and the overall impact that allowing these activities to resume will have on mobility and volume of activity in the County.

The health-related basis for selection of Additional Activities and the specific requirements for risk mitigation are generally summarized below.

Activities that are permitted to operate outdoors may, subject to any applicable permit requirements, conduct their operations under a tent, canopy, or other shelter, as long as the shelter complies with: (1) the California Department of Public Health’s November 25, 2020 guidance regarding “Use of Temporary Structures for Outdoor Business Operations” (available at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Use-of-Temporary-Structures-for-Outdoor-Business-Operations.aspx>); and (2) SFDPH’s guidance on “Safer Ways to Use New Outdoor Shared Spaces for Allowed Activities During COVID-19” (available at <https://www.sfdph.org/dph/files/ig/Guidance-Shared-Outdoor-Spaces.pdf>).

B. List of Additional Activities

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(1) Outdoor Museums, Outdoor Historical Sites, and Outdoor Public Gardens

- a. **Basis for Addition.** Personnel and visitors can wear Face Coverings and maintain at least six feet of physical distance from people in different Households at all times. And outdoor activities are safer than indoor activities. Finally, the number, frequency and proximity of contacts can be minimized through capacity limitations and the risk of virus transmission can be reduced through other health protocols.
- b. **Description and Conditions.** Outdoor museums, outdoor historical sites, and outdoor public gardens (for example, the Botanical Gardens and Japanese Tea Garden may reopen to the public—and individuals may leave their residence and travel to visit these locations—subject to the following conditions:
 1. Only outdoor spaces may be open to the public, except for restrooms as provided below.
 2. Face Coverings must be worn by all staff and visitors, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order is amended in the future;
 3. Physical distancing of at least six-feet must be maintained at all times other than between members of the same Household;
 4. Other than picnic tables, which may be available for use with signs instructing patrons to clean them before and after use, common high-touch equipment and fixtures must be off-limits, with signage and with physical barriers as appropriate;
 5. Public restrooms, if any, must
 - a. be routinely disinfected frequently throughout the day,
 - b. have open doors to prevent touching of door handles or knobs,
 - c. have soap and paper towels, and
 - d. have signs promoting handwashing;
 6. The facility must provide for contactless payment systems or, if not feasible, sanitize any payment systems, including touch screens, payment portals, pens, and styluses, after each customer use. Under San Francisco’s Legal Tender Law, customers must be allowed to pay with cash but to further limit person-to-person contact, Personnel should encourage customers to use credit, debit, or gift cards for payment;
 7. Signage must be posted at each public entrance to inform all personnel and customers that they must not enter if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms (list the symptoms in the San Francisco COVID-19 Health Screening Form for non-personnel (Attachment A-2), maintain a minimum six-foot distance from one another while in the facility or location, wear a Face Covering at all times, and not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact (sample signs are available online at <https://sf.gov/outreach-toolkit-coronavirus-covid-19>);

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For clarity, this section does not apply to outdoor zoos, which are covered under Section 12 of Appendix C-1.

(Added May 17, 2020; revised June 1, 2020 and November 3, 2020; Non-substantive revisions on July 13, 2020; Revised and suspended in part on December 4, 2020; Reinstated January 27, 2021)

(2) Golf, Tennis and Pickleball

- a. Basis for Addition. Low-contact sports like golf, tennis and pickleball involve a low number of contacts and a lower chance of physical contact, as long as the groups engaged in play together are small, maintain required physical distance, and avoid sharing equipment among different Households. These lower risks of transmission can be further mitigated by sanitation and hygiene practices. .
- b. Description and Conditions. Individuals may play golf outdoors and tennis or pickleball indoors and outdoors, and outdoor or indoor tennis or pickleball facilities/clubs and indoor facilities/clubs for the playing of golf may open, subject to the following conditions:
 1. Face Coverings must be worn by all golf ,tennis, or pickleball facility/club Personnel, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order may be amended from time to time;
 2. All golf, tennis, and pickleball players must wear a Face Covering while in facility/club parking lots, when entering and exiting facilities/clubs, and while waiting to play—unless otherwise required under this Order, Face Coverings may be removed during play if nobody from a different Household is within 30 feet of the player;
 3. For golf, a maximum of four people from the same or different Households may share a tee time but members of different Households may not share a golf cart, should not share equipment, and must maintain at least six feet of physical distance from each other at all times. Tee times must be scheduled 10 minutes or more apart;
 4. Doubles tennis and pickleball may be played outdoors between members of up to four different Households. Singles tennis and pickleball may be played indoors or outdoors between members of different Households subject to the capacity and other safety protocols for use of indoor recreation facilities. Tennis and pickleball players from different Households should not share equipment and should maintain at least six feet of distance between each other to the greatest extent possible—it is strongly recommended that they maintain that distance at all times; and
 5. Before resuming or continuing operations, each golf, tennis, or pickleball facility/club must create, post and implement a Social Distancing Protocol checklist (Appendix A to this Order) and comply with Health Officer Directive No. 2020-15, including as

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that directive may be amended from time to time, regarding required best practices for tennis and golf.

(Added June 1, 2020; Non-substantive revisions July 13, 2020; Revised September 1, 2020, December 4, 2020, December 9, 2020, January 27, 2021, March 2, 2021, and March 23, 2021)

(3) Dog Parks

- a. Basis for Addition. Although taking a dog to a dog park may involve mixing of Households, individuals can wear Face Coverings at all times and maintain at least six feet of physical distance from members of other Households except for short interactions. No inherently risky activities involving the removal of Face Coverings are involved. Also, outdoor activities carry a lower risk of transmission than indoor interactions and activities, and risk of transmission can be reduced through health protocols.
- b. Description and Conditions. Individuals may take their dogs to dog parks (both enclosed and unenclosed), and all outdoor dog parks may open, subject to the following conditions:
 1. Face Coverings must be worn by all people in the dog park, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order is amended in the future;
 2. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has advised that “[u]ntil we learn more about how this virus affects animals,” owners should “treat pets as you would other human family members to protect them from a possible infection.” Specifically, the CDC recommends that pet owners: “Do not let pets interact with people or other animals outside the household,” “Walk dogs on a leash, maintaining at least 6 feet (2 meters) from other people and animals,” and “Avoid dog parks or public places where a large number of people and dogs gather.” Accordingly, pet owners are urged to use on-leash dog parks or keep their dogs on a leash, particularly if the dog is not under voice control—pet owners who choose to let their dogs be off leash in an off-leash dog park should prevent their dog from interacting with other people or animals to the greatest extent feasible;
 3. People in the dog park should maintain at least six feet of physical distance from people or animals other than those in their same Household;
 4. People must bring their own water for themselves and their pets, and must not use common touch water facilities in the park;
 5. People must use their sleeve or a disposable cloth to touch high-touch surfaces like gates;
 6. People should bring their own bags for picking up and disposing of pet waste;
 7. Signage must be posted at each dog park to inform people that they must: avoid entering the location if they have a cough or fever, maintain a minimum six-foot

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distance from one another, wear a Face Covering at all times, and not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact (sample signs are available online at <https://sf.gov/outreach-toolkit-coronavirus-covid-19>); and

8. People must follow any other rules and regulations adopted by the operator of the dog park.

(Added June 1, 2020; Non-substantive revisions July 13, 2020)

(4) Small Outdoor Gatherings

- a. Basis for Addition. As provided in Section 4.f of the Order, gatherings among different Households are strongly discouraged to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, and larger gatherings pose higher risks. Although small outdoor gatherings involve mixing of Households, individuals can wear Face Coverings at all times, except when eating and drinking, and maintain at least six feet of physical distance from others outside their Household at all times. Inherently risky activities involving the removal of Face Coverings can be—and are strongly urged to be—minimized to the greatest extent possible. Also, outdoor activities carry a lower risk of transmission than indoor interactions and activities, and risk of transmission can be reduced through health protocols.
- b. Description and Conditions. As further provided in Section 3.a of the Order, all people are strongly encouraged to continue staying safe at home and minimizing unnecessary interactions with other Households to the maximum extent possible. But individuals may participate in small outdoor gatherings subject to the following conditions:
 1. No more than three different Households up to a maximum of 25 people in total between all Households, may participate in any other outdoor gathering under this section, unless all are members of the same Household.
 2. Gatherings that involve eating or drinking must be limited to no more than three different Households up to a maximum of six people in total for all Households;
 3. Participants outside of the same Household should maintain six feet of physical distance between each other to the greatest extent possible. Participants must otherwise follow all Social Distancing Requirements (Section 8.o of the Order), and wear Face Coverings unless eating, drinking, or exempted from wearing a Face Covering under Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (the Face Covering Order), including as that order may be amended from time to time; and
 4. Participants and hosts of small outdoor gatherings must comply with Health Officer Directive No. 2020-19, including as that directive may be amended from time to time, regarding required best practices for small outdoor gatherings and with the health guidelines for safer interactions set forth in the Tip Sheet for Safer Interactions During COVID-19 Pandemic, posted at: www.sfcdep.org/communicable-disease/diseases-a-z/covid19whatsnew.

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For clarity, this section does not allow contact sports to resume among members of different Households except as allowed in Section 6 below. This section does not apply to outdoor religious or political protest gatherings, which are covered by Sections 9 and 10, below. This section does not apply to limit gatherings that are otherwise allowed under the Order or any Health Officer directive providing industry-specific guidance. Indoor social gatherings among different Households are not allowed at this time.

(Added June 11, 2020; Non-substantive revisions July 13, 2020 and September 14, 2020; Revised October 20, 2020, December 9, 2020, March 2, 2021, and March 23, 2021; Suspended December 4, 2020; Reinstated and revised January 27, 2021)

(5) Libraries for Curbside Pickup and Return

- a. **Basis for Addition.** Personnel and patrons can wear Face Coverings at all times and maintain at least six feet of physical distance except for brief interactions (e.g., while picking up items). Patrons interact only with a small number of individuals from other Households, and although Personnel are interacting with a moderate number of people, the duration of those interactions are low and safety limitations can ensure adequate social distancing and decrease the risk of virus transmission. In addition, interactions can occur outdoors, which further decreases risk.
- b. **Description and Conditions to Operate.** Libraries may open for curbside/outside pickup and drop off of items, and approved by the City Administrator. All Personnel and patrons must comply with Social Distancing Requirements—including the requirement to maintain at least six feet of physical distance—and wear a Face Covering at all times, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), as that order may be amended from time to time. Sanitation or quarantine of returned books or other items no longer required.

(Added July 20, 2020; Revised March 23, 2021)

(6) Youth and Adult Sports, Recreation, Dance and Exercise

- a. **Basis for Addition.** In general, the more people from outside their Household with whom a person interacts, the closer the physical interaction is, the greater the physical exertion is, and the longer the interaction lasts, the higher the risk that a person with COVID-19 infection may spread it to others. Youth and adult sports, recreation, dance and exercise include varied activities that have different levels of risk for transmission of COVID-19. Based on current scientific evidence, outdoor activities present significantly lower risk of transmission relative to comparative indoor activities. And risk of transmission can be reduced by using mitigation strategies such as Face Coverings and maintaining physical distance to the greatest extent possible. Indoor activities are riskier but can be reduced by

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using mitigation strategies such as Face Coverings, maintaining physical distance, reducing capacity and implementing ventilation measures.

b. Description and Conditions.

1. Organized Non-Professional Youth and Adult Sports, Dance, and Exercise.

Organized non-professional youth sports, recreation, dance and exercise—including school- and community-sponsored programs, and private clubs and leagues—and recreational organized adult group sports, dance, and exercise activities (collectively, “youth and adult sports”) may occur, subject to the following conditions:

i. The following **outdoor** organized sports are allowed at this time:

- Physical conditioning, practice, skill-building, and training with at least six feet of physical distancing;
- Outdoor, low-contact sports—i.e., sports that allow participants to easily maintain physical distancing of at least six feet;
- Outdoor moderate-contact sports—i.e., sports that can be played with only incidental or intermittent close contact between participants; and
- Outdoor high-contact sports—i.e., sports that involve frequent or sustained close contact (and in many cases, face-to-face contact) between participants and high probability that respiratory particles will be transmitted between participants.

ii. The following **indoor** organized sports are allowed at this time:

- Physical conditioning, practice, skill-building, and training with at least six feet of physical distancing;
- Indoor low-contact sports—i.e., sports that allow participants to easily maintain physical distancing of at least six feet;
- Indoor moderate-contact sports—i.e., sports that can be played with only incidental or intermittent close contact between participants—if all of the requirements in Section 5.8 of Health Officer Directive No. 2021-01, including as that order may be amended in the future, are met; and
- Indoor high-contact sports—i.e., sports that involve frequent or sustained close contact (and in many cases, face-to-face contact) between participants and high probability that respiratory particles will be transmitted between participants—if all of the requirements in Section 5.8 of Health Officer Directive No. 2021-01, including as that order may be amended in the future, are met (except for wrestling and ice hockey, which are not allowed at this time because of their high risk).

For an illustrative list of outdoor and indoor low-contact, moderate-contact, and high-contact sports, see CDPH’s guidance on Outdoor and Indoor Youth and

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Recreational Adult Sports, available at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/outdoor-indoor-recreational-sports.aspx>.

- iii. Indoor sports facilities may not exceed 25% capacity, up to 100 people total, including all Participants, coaches, other Personnel, and observers. This capacity limitation applies to the facility overall and to any individual rooms within the facility;
 - iv. Indoor sports facilities are strongly urged to implement at least one of the following ventilation strategies: (1) all available windows and doors accessible to fresh outdoor air are kept open; (2) fully operational HVAC system; or (3) appropriately sized Portable Air Cleaners;
 - v. The activity must comply with all of the relevant requirements set forth in the State’s guidance on Outdoor and Indoor Youth and Recreational Adult Sports (referenced above) and Health Officer Directive No. 2021-01, including as that directive may be amended from time to time.
2. **Informal Recreational and Athletic activities.** Outdoor low-contact, moderate-contact, and high-contact, and indoor low-contact informal recreational and athletic activities with members of other Households may occur, subject to the following conditions:
- i. Except as expressly provided elsewhere in this Order, no more than three Households up to 25 people total outdoors and up to 12 people total indoors may engage in these recreational and athletic activities together at any one time;
 - ii. Equipment (except balls, frisbees, or other similar recreational projectiles) should not be shared between Households;
 - iii. All recreational and athletic activities with members of another Household must occur entirely outdoors;
 - iv. Members of separate Households should maintain at least six feet of physical distance whenever possible; and
 - v. Face Coverings must be worn at all times, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order may be amended from time to time.

For an illustrative list of outdoor low-contact, moderate-contact, and high-contact sports, see CDPH’s guidance on Outdoor and Indoor Youth and Recreational Adult Sports, available at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/outdoor-indoor-recreational-sports.aspx>.

3. **Outdoor exercise and recreational equipment.** The use of outdoor exercise and recreational equipment such as exercise benches, incline benches, pull-up bars, climbing bars, step-up posts, parcourses, fitness trails, and other similar fixtures or exercise areas for use by the public, as well as benches, seats, tables, barbeque pits,

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and grilling areas for shared use, is allowed. People using such equipment are reminded that practicing good hand hygiene and wiping down areas with a disinfecting wipe that is effective against the virus that causes COVID-19 is important and can reduce the risk of infection, and they are urged to do so before and after using such equipment. In addition, all other rules regarding public gatherings must be followed, such as requirements for wearing a Face Covering except while eating (as outlined in Health Officer Order No. C19-12, including as that order may be amended from time to time), physical distance requirements, and limitations on group size for different activities (for example, the restrictions on small outdoor gatherings listed in Section 4, above).

(Added September 1, 2020; Suspended December 4, 2020; Reinstated and revised December 9, 2020; Revised January 27, 2021, March 2, 2021, and March 23, 2021)

(7) Swimming Pools

- a. Basis for Addition. Swimming pools have few high-touch surfaces and have not been shown to be a high risk for transmission of COVID-19, even when swim without masks. Risks associated with swimming pools can be substantially mitigated with limitations to ensure adequate social distancing and limit intermixing between Households.
- b. Description and Conditions. Individuals may use public swimming pools, and public swimming pools may open and operate, subject to the following general conditions and more detailed requirements listed in Health Officer Directive No. 2020-24, including as that directive is updated in the future:
 - a. Outdoor pools are limited to 50% capacity and indoor pools to 25% capacity, based on the pool capacity submitted to the Department of Public Health for a pool permit. These capacity limits are upper limits, and the limits listed in this section and in Directive No. 2020-24 for specific activities also apply.
 - b. Lap swimming is limited to two swimmers per lane outdoors and one swimmer per lane indoors.
 - c. Except for members of the same Household, swimmers must remain at least six feet apart at all times.
 - d. Locker rooms and shower areas are open in accordance with the safety protocols listed in Directive No. 2020-24.
 - e. All gatherings are prohibited outside the pool, such as on pool decks, except (1) as expressly provided in Section 4, above, or Section 9 of Appendix C-1; and (2) members of a Household may observe a child or other person swimming to ensure safety and supervision.

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- f. All facilities that operate outdoor or indoor pools must otherwise comply with all requirements of Directive No. 2020-24.
- g. And before resuming operations, each operator of a swimming pool must create, post, and implement a Social Distancing Protocol.

(Added September 1, 2020; Non-substantive revisions December 4, 2020; Revised March 23, 2021)

(8) Drive-In Gatherings

- a. Basis for Addition. Drive-In Gatherings where all individuals remain in vehicles with members of their Household involve low contact intensity and frequency. Also, outdoor activities carry a lower risk of transmission than indoor interactions and activities, and risk of transmission can be reduced through health protocols.
- b. Description and Conditions. Drive-in gatherings, where participants stay in their vehicles, are permitted subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. All Drive-In Gatherings must be provided entirely outdoors in an area large enough to accommodate all distancing requirements of Directive 2020-28, including as that directive may be amended from time to time;
 - 2. Each Drive-In Gathering is limited to a maximum of 100 vehicles;
 - 3. Participants must remain within the bounds of the four wheels of their vehicle at all times except to use the restroom, to purchase or pickup food and beverage concessions in accordance with required safety protocols, or during an emergency;
 - 4. Live performances are allowed with performers who must wear Face Coverings and maintain at least six feet of distance from anyone from another Household. Performers may sing, chant, shout or play a wind or brass instrument (with a covering over the instrument) subject to the general safety rules in Section 3.i of this Order regarding singing, shouting, chanting and cheering and playing wind and brass instruments that apply outdoors;
 - 5. Face Coverings must be worn at all times a participant is outside the bounds of their vehicle or inside or sitting on the vehicle unless the participant is inside the vehicle and all windows are closed, in accordance with Health Officer Order C19-12 (the “Face Covering Order”), including as that order may be amended from time to time; and

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6. Before hosting a Drive-In Gathering, the Host must create, post and implement a Social Distancing Protocol and comply with the relevant provisions of Health Officer Directive No. 2020-28, including as that directive may be amended from time to time.

(Added September 14, 2020; Suspended December 4, 2020; Reinstated in part and revised January 20, 2021; Revised January 27, 2021, March 2, 2021, and March 23, 2021)

(9) Religious Activities

- a. Basis for Addition. In an effort to balance core First Amendment interests with public health, the Health Officer is creating special provisions for faith-based services and ceremonies. Even with adherence to physical distancing and Face Covering requirements, bringing members of different Households together to engage in in-person religious gatherings carries a higher risk of widespread transmission of COVID-19. Such gatherings may result in increased rates of infection, hospitalization, and death, especially among more vulnerable populations. Therefore, even though in-person religious gatherings are allowed by this provision, with safety limitations, it is strongly recommended that individuals use alternative means to practice their faith for the time being, such as the many online and broadcasting platforms available in the digital age, in place of in-person gatherings.
- b. Description and Conditions to Operate.
 1. Individual indoor prayer and counseling in houses of worship [SUPERSEDED]:
 - i. Only one individual member of the public may enter the house of worship at a time. If the person is a parent or guardian of minor children, the person may bring their children with them but not other adults from the same Household. If the person is an adult who needs assistance, the person may bring a caregiver.
 - ii. The member of the public must maintain at least six feet of physical distance from any Personnel present in the facility;
 - iii. All individuals in the facility must wear a Face Covering, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children);
 - iv. Doors and windows must be left open to the extent possible, or mechanical ventilation systems must be run, to increase ventilation;
 - v. The house of worship must establish protocols for frequent cleaning and disinfection of commonly used surfaces and high traffic areas such as lobbies, hallways, and chapels;
 - vi. Signage must be posted at each public entrance to inform all individuals that they must: avoid entering the house of worship if they have a cough or fever, maintain a minimum six-foot distance from one another while in the facility or

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location, wear a Face Covering at all times, and not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact (sample signs are available online at <https://sf.gov/outreach-toolkit-coronavirus-covid-19>); and

- vii. The house of worship must comply with the Social Distancing Requirements set forth in Section 15.k of this Order—and create, post and implement a Social Distancing Protocol (Appendix A of this Order).
2. **Outdoor Religious Gatherings and Funerals:** Houses of worship and operators of other facilities or groups may hold outdoor gatherings for the practice of religion, including religious services and funerals, subject to the following conditions:
- i. Participants must maintain at least six feet of distance from members of different Households;
 - ii. All participants must wear a face covering, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order may be amended from time to time;
 - iii. No food or beverages may be served or sold;
 - iv. All participants are subject to the general safety rules in Section 3.i of this Order regarding singing, shouting, chanting and cheering and playing wind and brass instruments that apply outdoors;
 - v. No sharing or common use of utensils, food, drink or other items that could result in the transfer of oral or nasal secretions between different Households is permitted unless those objects or equipment are sanitized with cleaning products effective against COVID-19 in between uses by members of different Households;
 - vi. The gathering must comply with all of the relevant requirements set forth in Health Officer Directive No. 2020-19 regarding outdoor gatherings, including as that directive may be amended from time to time; and
 - vii. All participants must comply with any requirements—including permitting requirements and conditions—imposed by applicable public authorities.
3. **Gatherings for Indoor Religious Services and Cultural Ceremonies:** As of February 6, 2021, houses of worship and operators of other facilities or groups may hold indoor gatherings for the practice of religion, including religious services and religious and cultural ceremonies, such as weddings and funerals, subject to the following conditions:
- i. The facility must strictly limit attendance at Indoor Religious Gatherings to 50% of the capacity of the building. Capacity limits include congregants, visitors and other Participants, but do not include Personnel. The limit must be reduced below 50% if required due to the size of the indoor space and participants' ability to follow Social Distancing Requirements at all times.

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These capacity limits also apply to any individual room within the facility where people can gather;

- ii. The facility must comply with all of the requirements set forth in Health Officer Directive No. 2020-34, including as that directive is amended or updated in the future, with such requirements including, but not limited to, ensuring physical distancing between members of different Households, posting signage to remind people to adhere to best practices, ensuring adequate ventilation in accordance with updated DPH guidance, and various cleaning and sanitation requirements;
- iii. Participants may sing, shout, chant, cheer, and play wind instruments and brass instruments subject to the general safety rules in Section 3.i of this Order regarding singing, shouting, chanting and cheering and playing wind and brass instruments that apply indoors;
- iv. The facility must screen all patrons and other visitors on a daily basis using the standard screening questions attached to the Order as Appendix A and Attachment A-2 (the “Screening Handout”). Screening must occur before people are allowed to enter to prevent the inadvertent spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus. A copy of the Screening Handout must be provided to anyone on request, although a poster or other large-format version of the Screening Handout may be used to review the questions with people verbally. Any person who answers “yes” to any screening question is at risk of having the SARS-CoV-2 virus, must be prohibited from entering or being seated in the facility, and should be referred for appropriate support as outlined on the Screening Handout. The facility can use the guidance available online at www.sfdcp.org/screen for determining how best to conduct screening. People who are feeling ill, have exhibited symptoms of COVID-19 within 24 hours of arriving at the facility or answer “yes” to any screening must be kept from entry;
- v. All participants and Personnel must wear a Face Covering, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order is revised in the future. A Face Covering is not required if a faith leader determines it is essential to a ritual or ceremony that Face Coverings be removed, subject to limitations listed in the directive; and
- vi. The facility must comply with the Social Distancing Requirements set forth in Section 8.o of this Order and create, post, and implement a Social Distancing Protocol (Section 4.d and Appendix A of this Order).

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(10) Political Activity

- a. Basis for Addition. In an effort to balance core First Amendment interests with public health, the Health Officer is creating special provisions for political activities. Even with adherence to physical distancing and face covering requirements, bringing members of different Households together to engage in in-person protests carries a higher risk of widespread transmission of COVID-19. Such gatherings may result in increased rates of infection, hospitalization, and death, especially among more vulnerable populations. In particular, activities like chanting, shouting, singing, and group recitation negate the risk-reduction achieved through six feet of physical distancing and face covering. Therefore, even though in-person political protests are allowed by this provision, with safety limitations, it is strongly recommended that individuals use alternative means of expression for the time being, such as the many online and broadcasting platforms available in the digital age, in place of in-person gatherings.
- b. Description and Conditions to Operate.
 1. Individual indoor political offices: [SUPERSEDED]
 - i. Only one person may be in the office or facility at a time except as outlined in this section b.1.
 - ii. One other individual at a time may temporarily come into the office or facility, such as for a brief meeting or to pick up or drop off materials.
 - iii. All individuals in the facility must wear a Face Covering as required by Health Officer Order No. C19-12, including as that order may be amended from time to time, subject to the limited exceptions in that order;
 - iv. Doors and windows must be left open to the extent possible, or mechanical ventilation systems must be run, to increase ventilation;
 - v. The facility must establish protocols for frequent cleaning and disinfection of commonly used surfaces and high traffic areas such as lobbies, hallways, and offices;
 - vi. Signage must be posted at each public entrance to inform all individuals that they must: avoid entering the location if they have a cough or fever, maintain a minimum six-foot distance from one another while in the facility or location, wear a Face Covering at all times, and not shake hands or engage in any unnecessary physical contact (sample signs are available online at <https://sf.gov/outreach-toolkit-coronavirus-covid-19>); and
 - vii. The facility or office must comply with the Social Distancing Requirements set forth in Section 15.k of this Order—and create, post and implement a Social Distancing Protocol (Appendix A of this Order).
 2. Indoor Political Protest Gatherings: Facilities and groups may hold outdoor gatherings for in-person political protests, subject to the following conditions:
 - i. The facility must strictly limit attendance at Indoor Political Protest Gatherings to 50% of the capacity of the building. Capacity limits include do

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not include Personnel. The limit must be reduced below 50% if required due to the size of the indoor space and participants' ability to follow Social Distancing Requirements at all times. These capacity limits also apply to any individual room within the facility where people can gather;

- ii. The facility must screen all participants using the standard screening questions attached to the Order as Appendix A and Attachment A-2 (the "Screening Handout for Non-Personnel"). Screening must occur before people enter the facility to prevent the inadvertent spread of the SARS-CoV-2 virus. A copy of the Screening Handout for Non-Personnel must be provided to anyone on request, although a poster or other large-format version of the Screening Handout for Non-Personnel may be used to review the questions with people verbally. Any person who answers "yes" to any screening question is at risk of having the SARS-CoV-2 virus, must be prohibited from entering the facility, and should be referred for appropriate support as outlined on the Screening Handout for Non-Personnel. The facility can use the guidance available online at www.sfcddcp.org/screen for determining how best to conduct screening;
 - iii. All participants and Personnel must wear a Face Covering, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12, including as that order may be amended from time to time;
 - iv. All participants are subject to the general safety rules in Section 3.i of this Order regarding singing, shouting, chanting and cheering and playing wind and brass instruments; and
 - v. The facility must comply with the Social Distancing Requirements set forth in Section 8.o of this Order and create, post, and implement a Social Distancing Protocol (Section 4.d and Appendix A of this Order).
3. **Outdoor Political Protest Gatherings:** Facilities and groups may hold outdoor gatherings for in-person political protests, subject to the following conditions:
- i. Participants must maintain at least six feet of distance from members of different Households;
 - ii. All participants must wear a Face Covering, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order may be amended from time to time; and
 - iii. No food or beverages may be served or sold;
 - iv. All participants are subject to the general safety rules in Section 3.i of this Order regarding singing, shouting, chanting and cheering and playing wind and brass instruments that apply outdoors;
 - v. No sharing or common use of objects or equipment is permitted unless those objects or equipment are sanitized with cleaning products effective against

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COVID-19 in between uses by members of different Households;

- vi. The gathering must comply with all of the relevant requirements set forth in Health Officer Directive No. 2020-19, including as that directive may be amended from time to time, regarding outdoor gatherings; and
- vii. All participants must comply with any requirements—including permitting requirements and conditions—imposed by applicable public authorities.

(Added September 14, 2020; Revised September 30, 2020, December 4, 2020, January 27, 2021, March 2, 2021, and March 23, 2021; Non-substantive revisions October 20, 2020)

(11) Outdoor Playgrounds

- a. Basis for Addition. Although taking children to a playground may involve mixing of Households, individuals can wear Face Coverings at all times and maintain at least six feet of physical distance from members of other Households except for short interactions. No inherently risky activities involving the removal of Face Coverings are involved. Also, outdoor activities carry a lower risk of transmission than indoor interactions and activities, and risk of transmission can be reduced through health protocols.
- b. Description and Conditions. Outdoor public playgrounds may open subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. Face Coverings must be worn by all people in the playground at all times, subject to the limited exceptions in Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (e.g., for young children), including as that order is amended in the future;
 - 2. All people (including children and adults) in the playground must maintain at least six feet of physical distance from people other than those in their same Household;
 - 3. Outdoor public playground operators and all people (including children and adults) in playgrounds must comply with all of the relevant requirements set forth in Health Officer Directive No. 2020-36 regarding outdoor public playgrounds.

(Added September 30, 2020; Revised November 3, 2020; Suspended December 4, 2020; Reinstated and revised December 9, 2020)

(12) Outdoor Arts, Music and Theater Performances and Festivals

- a. Basis for Addition. Although outdoor festivals involve mixing of Households, individuals can wear Face Coverings at all times, except when eating and drinking, and maintain at least six feet of physical distance from others outside their Household at all times. Also, outdoor activities carry a lower risk of transmission than indoor interactions and activities, and risk of transmission can be reduced through health protocols.

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- b. **Description and Conditions.** Beginning April 1, 2021, outdoor organized and supervised arts, music, and theater performances and festivals without assigned seating may resume subject to the following conditions:
1. No more than 50 patrons may attend the event at any time;
 2. Participants outside of the same Households must maintain at least six feet of physical distance between each other;
 3. All Personnel and patrons must wear Face Coverings unless eating, drinking, or exempted from wearing a Face Covering under Health Officer Order No. C19-12 (the Face Covering Order), including as that order may be amended from time to time;
 4. Patrons, personnel, and performers are subject to the general safety rules in Section 3.i of this Order regarding singing, shouting, chanting and cheering and playing wind and brass instruments that apply outdoors;
 5. The event must operate in compliance with Health Officer Directive No. 2021-02, including as that directive may be amended from time to time
 6. The organizer must submit a health and safety plan to DPH in advance of the event, but does not need to obtain approval of the plan before proceeding with the event. In the event SFDPH identifies deficiencies in the plan, SFDPH will follow up with the organizer but approval by the Health Officer is not required. An optional plan template, including the basic information that all plans must contain, will be available by April 1, 2021 at www.sfdph.org/dph/alerts/covid-guidance/2021-02-HSP-Arts-Music-Outdoors.pdf.

(Added March 23, 2021)

(13) Limited Indoor Gatherings In Residences

- a. **Basis for Addition.** Given the significant decrease in COVID-19 case and hospitalization rates and the increase in COVID-19 vaccination rates, limited indoor gatherings of people from different Households can be done in Residences in ways that reduce the risk of transmission. Even with protections such as physical distancing and use of Face Coverings at all times, such gatherings that do not involve fully vaccinated people are strongly discouraged at this time and should occur instead outdoors to the greatest extent possible in accordance with the outdoor gathering rules (such as for allowed outdoor religious services or other outdoor activities covered by this Order and Health Officer directives). For small indoor gatherings to occur in Residences as allowed by this section, the rules listed below must be followed to reduce the risk of harm from such gatherings.
- b. **Description and Conditions.** Beginning March 24, 2021, limited indoor gatherings of people from different Households may occur only in Residences as listed in this Section.

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Limited indoor gatherings are not allowed in any Business unless otherwise indicated below.

1. Gatherings occurring as allowed by an order or directive of the Health Officer. Indoor gatherings involving people from different Households may occur with safety modifications as allowed by any order or directive of the Health Officer (for example, for indoor religious services as allowed by this Order and Health Officer Directive No. 2020-34).
2. Small indoor gatherings in Residences with Face Coverings. Small indoor gatherings with Face Coverings in Residences may occur with these safety restrictions:
 - i. The gathering may only occur in a Residence, as defined in Section 3.b of this Order. No gathering under this subsection b.2 may occur in a Business (as defined in Section 8.e of this Order).
 - ii. The gathering is limited to 12 people, and the people attending may not reside in more than three different Households (as defined in Section 3.b of this Order).
 - iii. Every person must wear a Face Covering at all times during the gathering unless exempt from wearing a Face Covering by the Face Covering Order (Order No. C19-12, including as that order is revised in the future). For this reason, no food or beverages may be consumed during the gathering.
 - iv. Physical distance of six feet from other people not in the same Household should be maintained during the gathering.
 - v. Indoor areas should maximize ventilation whenever possible, including by opening windows and external doors to improve airflow in the area of the gathering.
 - vi. If anyone planning to attend the gathering has any symptom of COVID-19, they should not participate in the gathering, and others from the same Household should consider avoiding the gathering. A list of COVID-19 symptoms is available online at www.sfcddp.org/covid19symptoms.
 - vii. Such gatherings that do not involve fully vaccinated people are strongly discouraged at this time and should occur instead outdoors to the greatest extent possible in accordance with the outdoor gathering rules.
3. Small indoor gatherings in Residences with people who are fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Small indoor gatherings in Residences with fully vaccinated people where some individuals may potentially remove Face Coverings may occur after the State of California allows them. The specific situations that would allow for the removal of Face Coverings are outlined by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) at: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html. Such gatherings must abide by all safety precautions outlined by that CDC guidance as well as the following restrictions:

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- i. The gathering may only occur in a Residence, as defined in Section 3.b of this Order. No gathering may occur in a Business (as defined in Section 8.e of this Order) under this subsection b.2.
- ii. The gathering is limited to 12 people, and the people attending may not reside in more than three different Households (as defined in Section 3.b of this Order).

(Added March 23, 2021)