Troop 103 Covid-19 Outdoor Activity Plan

**Objective**:

Purpose: The purpose of this plan is to describe the steps necessary to have a successful, risk-reduced scouting activity and set the plan framework for these activities

Scope: This plan addresses scouting activities based in an outdoor environment.

**Responsibilities:**

* The Troop Committee Chairman shall be responsible for this document
* The Scoutmaster shall be responsible for the adequate execution to these requirements

**References:**

* Mass: Phase-II-Ecotourism-Application-of-Guidelines
* Mass: safety-standards-for-parks-open-space-and-outdoor-education-programs-phase-ii
* BSA: Restart Scouting Checklist 680-693

**Definitions**:

* Hand Sanitizer: A cleaning station consisting of 60%+ alcohol-based sanitizer
* Hand Washing: Cleaning station consisting of running water and soap
* Hand-Care: The use of hand sanitizer or hand washing

**Process**:

* Plan Generation:
	+ Prior to any in-person outdoor scouting activity, a Troop 103 Covid-19 Plan must be completed and signed by both the Scoutmaster and Troop Committee Chairman
	+ The Covid-19 Plan must be available to troop members and parents
* Troop 103 Covid-19 Plan: The plan shall consist of the following considerations.
A plan template is provided in Appendix A
	+ Administrative: The 5W2H description of the activity provides a general overview of the purpose and scope of the scouting event
	+ Safe Access: Details on arrival and activity in-processing requirements. This is where a travel plan to the scout site is defined and how scouts will be verified well as they enter the scout activity. In processing checklist provided in Appendix B
	+ Event Plan: Details specific to the activity
		- Social Distancing Protocols – How will distancing be maintained
		- Hygiene Protocols – What hygiene is available and how integrated to activity
		- Operations and Leadership – Are adults versed in health protocols
		- Cleaning and Disinfecting Protocols – High-touch plans
		- Extended Activity Requirements (>2.5hrs): Details for extended time periods
			* Meals Plan
			* Overnight Plan
			* Bathroom Plan
		- Addressing an ill adult or scout – how will presumed ill individuals be handled
	+ Safe Egress: How will scouts exit the activity in a safe and effective manner
* Activity Follow-up: 48hr Health Check for all activities >2.5hrs or where extended close-proximity activities have occured

Appendix A: Troop 103 Covid-19 Outdoor Activity Plan

**Section 1: Administrative Planning**

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| **Activity** | **Date** | **Location (Activity Site)** | **Primary Leader** |
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**Section 2: Safe Access**

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| **Category** | **T103 Policy** | **Plan Deviations** |
| **Transport** | Scouts / Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the activity site. The scout activity will begin and end at this site |  |
| **Check-in** | Scouts / Parents will enter the activity site through the designated area and participate in the Activity Heath Check and sign the activity agreement. All participants (Leaders, Scouts & parent participants) must wear a mask, maintain appropriate social distance, and adhere to hygiene and handwashing standards. |  |

**Section 3: Following Page**

**Section 4: Safe Exit**

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| **Category** | **T103 Policy** | **Plan Deviations** |
| **Check-out** | Scouts will exit the activity through the designated egress point and to a responsible adult. Exit hand-care will be required |  |
| **Transport** | Scouts / Parents are responsible for transportation from the activity site.  |  |

**Section 5: Follow-up**

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| **Category** | **T103 Policy** | **Plan Deviations** |
| **48hr Follow-up** | An electronic health questionnaire will be sent to all participating scouts and adults approximately 2 days following an extended activity or close proximity activity. This is to assess any potential group exposure |  |

**Section 3: Safe Activity**

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| **Category** | **T103 Policy** | **Plan Deviations** |
| **Social Distancing** | * Maximum of 10 people per group spaced 6 feet apart, 20 feet between groups (12-foot spacing during strenuous activities)
* Face masks will be required at all times
* An isolated area at a sufficient distance (~20ft+) and within adult view will be designated as a mask relief area for individual use
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| **Hygiene Protocols** | * Hand-care stations will be provided for scouts. Scouts are encouraged to be prepared with their own hand-care
* Entry/Exit hand-care is required
* Interim points will be designated for hand-care
* Hygiene for high-touch event items will be considered
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| **Operations and Leadership** | * All adult leaders will be briefed on general troop Covid-19 policies and specific event requirements
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| **Cleaning and Disinfecting** | * Common Gear / Equipment will be identified and appropriately cleaned (including temporal based disinfecting)
* Shared Gear / Equipment will be identified, and a specific cleaning plan defined (e.g., training equipment)
* The troop will provide a reasonable amount of cleaning product
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| **Meals Plan** | * Each scout is responsible for and will prepare and cook individual meals. All cooking utensils are the responsibility of the scout.
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| **Overnight Plan** | * Tenting – 1 Scout per tent
* Siblings will be allowed to tent together
* 6-Feet will be maintained between tents
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| **Bathroom Plan (Events >2.5hr)** | * When a bathroom facility is available (toilet & running water) the troop will provide hand-care products (if not already provided) within the bathroom (or available for the scout to bring to the bathroom in the case of a shared facility)
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| **Sick or non-compliant Scout** | * Scouts that are identified as ‘at risk’ through the Activity Health Check shall be requested to return home with their parent.
* Scouts that develop potential Covid-19 symptoms during the course of an event will be segregated within a supervised area. A parent will be notified and required to pick-up the scout.
* A scout that is non-compliant to the health protocols set-forth during the event will be segregated and a parent required to pick-up the scout from the event
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**Appendix B: Activity Health-Check and Parental Release (Page 1 of 2)**

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| **Activity** | **Date** | **Location** | **Primary Leader** |
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**Activity Health Check**

**Please review the following questions for any Scout or Adult participating:**

* Do you have a fever, or have you felt feverish recently?
* Do you have a cough? Are you having shortness of breath or any difficulty breathing?
* Do you have chills or repeated shaking with chills?
* Do you have any muscle pain or body aches?
* Do you have any recent onset of headache or sore throat?
* Have you been experiencing nausea and/or vomiting?
* Do you have any recent loss of taste or smell?
* Have you been experiencing fatigue recently?
* Have you experienced any recent GI upset or diarrhea?
* Have you been advised to self-quarantine because of exposure to someone with COVID-19?
* Have you traveled in the past 14 days to any regions affected by COVID-19?
* Have you been tested for COVID-19? If yes, what was the result?
* Have you been diagnosed with COVID-19? If yes, when?
* Are you in a ‘High Risk’ health category as defined by the CDC

**If you answer ‘Yes’ to any of these questions, please talk with an Adult Leader in the troop prior to participation**

**Activity Agreement**

* **Scouts and Parents** – You are agreeing to voluntarily participate in this activity. You are attesting to be in good health with no known symptoms of Covid-19. Troop 103 has developed an activity plan available for review and planned these scouting activities to minimize the risk of Covid-19 transmission as best we can.
* **Parents** - you are welcome to stay to observe the scout program at a safe distance and provide feedback through the adult leaders. At any point, and for any reason you are welcome to exit your scout from the day’s activity through an adult leader and using the event exit protocols
* **Scout** - you are welcome to participate in the program and agree to follow the safety protocols as set-forth by the adult leaders and including wearing your mask at all times, maintaining appropriate social distance and adhering to hygiene and handwashing standards.

**Appendix B: Activity Health-Check and Parental Release (Page 2 of 2)**

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| **Activity** | **Date** | **Location** | **Primary Leader** |
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| **Scout** | **Scout Initials**  | **Parent Signature(When >2.5hrs)** | **Parent Phone – (When >2.5hrs)(Today’s primary contact)** |
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