



## MEGA-EVENT COVID-19 VACCINATION AND MASKING POLICY

The San Francisco War Memorial and Performing Arts Center (War Memorial) is owned and operated by the City and County of San Francisco.

The War Memorial Opera House and Louise M. Davies Symphony Hall (the “War Memorial venues”) are required to operate within the restrictions and guidelines imposed by federal, state, and local government entities to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This policy is intended to clarify requirements regarding vaccination, masking, and COVID-19 safety for Licensees presenting Mega-Events (attendance over 1,000) in War Memorial venues.

As a City and County owned and operated facility, all City employees at the War Memorial are required to be vaccinated. Global Gourmet Catering concessions staff and employees of the San Francisco Performing Arts Center Foundation are also required to be vaccinated.

In adherence with requirements contained in federal, state, and local health orders, the War Memorial requires the following:

1. A. War Memorial Licensees must require that all patrons, performers, crew, volunteers, and/or staff who are twelve (12) years of age or older provide proof of Full Vaccination for entry.  
B. War Memorial Licensees presenting lectures, graduations, and concert-style performances (i.e. orchestral and choral music presentations) must require that all performers, crew, volunteers, and/or staff who are twelve (12) years of age or older provide proof of Full Vaccination for entry.  
C. War Memorial Licensees presenting staged performances (i.e. dance performances or staged presentations in which performers interact together in “blocked” scenes) must require that all performers, crew, volunteers, and/or staff who are twelve (12) years of age or older provide proof of Full Vaccination and boosters for entry.  
D. In addition to Full Vaccination, boosters are also required for those patrons twelve (12) years of age or older who are eligible to have received a booster based on the time elapsed since completion of their initial vaccination regimen as defined by Orders of the Health Officer.  
E. Patrons aged five (5) to eleven (11) years must present proof of Full Vaccination, or a negative “rapid” antigen test result received within one calendar day prior to their entry, or a negative PCR test result received within two calendar days prior to their entry.  
F. Patrons aged two (2) to four (4) years must present a negative “rapid” antigen test result received within one calendar day prior to their entry, or a negative PCR test result received within two calendar days prior to their entry.  
G. Persons aged two (2) to eleven (11) years who are performing in, or working on, a performance or presentation may comply with 1.E. and 1.F. above by furnishing proof of just one (1) negative PCR or “rapid” antigen test result per each week of performance or rehearsal.

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H. Proof of vaccination, and boosters when required, must be made available to War Memorial staff on request and must meet all criteria specified in Orders of the Health Officer. Full Vaccination and boosters are strongly encouraged whenever possible for all people, regardless of whether they are required to have received them.

I. Licensee must share any positive COVID test results with War Memorial staff within eight (8) hours of receiving such results. Any person who receives a positive test result will not be permitted onsite until they have completed an adequate isolation period as defined by Orders of the Health Officer.

J. Due to the extreme risk unvaccinated persons pose to others, the War Memorial will not allow accommodations for medical reasons or sincerely held religious beliefs from Licensee patrons, performers, crew, volunteers, and/or staff.

2. The War Memorial is not responsible for costs related to vaccination, testing, or verifying proof of either or both. In the event the War Memorial determines in its sole discretion to hire additional staff to meet these requirements, Licensee will be required to pay all associated costs.
3. All patrons must wear Well-Fitted Masks that cover their nose, mouth, and chin when inside the facility unless they are actively eating or drinking. A non-vented N95/KN95 mask is strongly recommended as a Well-Fitted Mask, even if not fit-tested, to provide maximum protection. A Well-Fitted Mask does not include a scarf, ski mask, balaclava, bandana, turtleneck, collar, single layer of fabric, or any mask that has an unfiltered one-way exhaust valve.
4. Performers and musicians must wear Well-Fitted Masks when in any War Memorial venue consistent with all Orders of the Health Officer and may remove their Well-Fitted Masks only when they are actively eating or drinking, or when they are performing, presenting, rehearsing, warming up, or costuming (i.e. bathing, dressing, applying make-up, placing wigs, etc.).
5. Tickets to any War Memorial venue, and marketing materials for performances and presentations, must clearly state that all persons entering the facility must adhere to testing, vaccination, and booster requirements as outlined in Section 1 above. Additional staff may be hired by the War Memorial at Licensee expense to review patron vaccination status and/or test results prior to patrons entering the facility.
6. At the War Memorial's sole discretion, Licensee may be required to use a separate dedicated entrance to the venue and Licensee may be required to pay the cost of operating such entrance.
7. Licensee will be required to sign a COVID-19 Addendum to their Short-Term License Agreement that restates the requirements contained herein, affirms its commitment to adhering to all requirements and Orders of the Health Officer, and confirms its understanding that it will pay all costs incurred by the War Memorial and/or any other vendors needed to ensure Licensee adherence to these requirements.

**ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER DEFINITIONS OF INTEREST:**

Order of the Health Officer: <https://www.sfdph.org/dph/alerts/coronavirus-healthorders.asp>

**Fully Vaccinated.** “Fully Vaccinated” and “Full Vaccination” mean two weeks after completing the entire recommended initial series of vaccination (usually one or two doses) with a vaccine authorized to prevent COVID-19 by the FDA, including by way of an emergency use authorization, or by the World Health Organization (WHO). For example, an individual would be fully vaccinated at least two weeks after receiving a second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty) or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine or two weeks after receiving the single dose Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen COVID-19 vaccine.

**Booster.** A “booster” means an additional dose of a vaccine authorized to prevent COVID-19 by the FDA, including by way of an emergency use authorization, or by the World Health Organization (WHO), for which a person is eligible. For example, as of the date of issuance of this Policy, individuals who are 18 or older may receive a booster of the Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty), Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen COVID-19 vaccine at least five months after receiving a second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty) or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine or two months after receiving the single dose Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen COVID-19 vaccine, and adolescents who are 12 to 17 years old may receive a booster of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine at least five months after their second dose of that vaccine. Consistent with CDC and CDPH guidance, either the Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty) or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine is preferred for the booster. The CDC has been frequently updating booster eligibility. More up-to-date information may be found online at [www.sfdcp.org/boosters](http://www.sfdcp.org/boosters).

**Test and Tested.** “Tested” means to have a negative test (a “Test”) for the virus that causes COVID-19 within the applicable timeframe as listed in this policy. Both nucleic acid (including polymerase chain reaction (PCR)) and antigen tests are acceptable. The following are acceptable as proof of a negative COVID-19 test result: a printed document (from the test provider or laboratory) or an email, text message, webpage, or application (app) screen displayed on a phone or mobile device from the test provider or laboratory. The information should include person’s name, type of test performed, negative test result, and date the test was administered. If any state or federal agency uses a more restrictive definition of what it means to be Tested for specified purposes (such as Cal/OSHA rules for employers in workplaces), then that more restrictive definition controls for those purposes.