

# **SUMMARY OF Vermont COVID 19 WEDDING REGULATIONS**

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## **From May 1-July 4:**

### **SECTOR GUIDANCE GOES AWAY.**

“Universal Guidance” applies to ALL businesses

Some wedding FAQ's we're seeing:

- Yes, you can have a dance floor as long as guests are following the guidance.
- Contact tracing is NOT required! (but will need to have a list of vaccinated guests vs unvaccinated guests so this still might be helpful)
- The maximum gathering number does not include staff or vendors
- An event venue (indoors or outdoors) may host multiple maximum groupings through the day if the groups do not interact with one another. For example – a craft fair could schedule multiple different groups throughout the day to come to a show as long as they staggered the arrivals, ensuring all members of a group departed before the second group entered.
- Tables still have to be 6 feet apart, but you can have as many people as you want at the table. You can have multiple households at a table.
- You can have a standing cocktail hour.
- You can serve alcohol again according to your liquor license.

## **Starting July 4**

Gathering sizes will not be limited.

- Universal Guidance is only recommended and not required. This means staff, vendors and guests do not have to wear masks.
- Back to “normal”... if you can remember what that is.
- We are hoping/have an indication that this date will change to July 1. I will send an update as soon as I have one.
- Travel restrictions, quarantine and testing is no longer required.

### **Maximum Gathering Sizes:**

#### **Effective May 1, 2021**

Indoors: One unvaccinated person per 100 square feet up to 150 unvaccinated people (whichever is less), plus any number of vaccinated people as Universal Guidance spacing allows.

Outdoors: 300 unvaccinated people, plus any number of vaccinated individuals as Universal Guidance and spacing allows.

\*\*Yes, children count as unvaccinated guests.

#### **Effective June 1, 2021**

Indoors: One unvaccinated person per 50 square feet up to 300 unvaccinated people (whichever is less), plus any number vaccinated people as Universal Guidance spacing allows.

Outdoors: 900 unvaccinated people, plus any number of vaccinated individuals as Universal Guidance spacing allows.

\*\*Yes, children count as unvaccinated guests.

\*\*\*If an event has no way of determining if an individual is vaccinated, assume all are unvaccinated for capacity limit. So you need for guests to indicate they are vaccinated to allow for the maximum guest count allowed!

## **UNIVERSAL GUIDANCE -**

These 5 steps of “Universal Guidance” will apply to every business including restaurants, catering & weddings:

- Stay home if sick. Organizations must have policies in place to remind employees to stay home if they have signs and symptoms of COVID-19. No symptomatic or COVID-19 positive workers are allowed on site. Unvaccinated employees who have not had COVID-19 in the past 90 days and have had close contact for more than 15 minutes with any person who is diagnosed with COVID-19 are required to quarantine for 14 days or for 7 days prior to obtaining a COVID-19 test. See the Department of Health’s guidance for more information on work place exposures.
- Wear a mask. The State of Vermont currently has a mask mandate in place. All employees and guests must wear a face covering over the nose and mouth inside and outside. You may decline service to individuals who are not wearing a mask. This includes refusing service to those who are exempt from the mask mandate, however, the business shall provide an alternate way for those unable to wear a mask to access the business, such as offering curbside pick-up, delivery, or other innovative solutions.
- Ensure six-foot spaces and uncrowded places. Employees must observe strict social distancing of 6 feet while on the job. Businesses must ensure customers observe strict social distancing of 6 feet while on location, to the extent possible.
- Practice good hygiene. Employees must have easy and frequent access to soap and water or hand sanitizer during the duration of work, and handwashing or hand sanitization is required frequently including before entering, and leaving, job sites. All common spaces (when open) and equipment, including bathrooms, frequently touched surfaces and doors, tools and equipment, and vehicles must be cleaned regularly and, when possible, prior to transfer from one person to another, in accordance with CDC guidance.
- Follow Travel Guidance.

ALL Guests of lodging, campgrounds and other accommodations must complete a Certificate of Compliance.

### **DOMESTIC TRAVEL:**

Domestic travel no longer requires quarantine.

Vaccinated people do not need to be tested.

Unvaccinated Vermonters who have traveled outside the state must be tested within 3 days of returning to Vermont.

Unvaccinated people planning to visit Vermont must have a COVID-19 test within 3 days before arriving in Vermont.

## **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL**

### ***For fully vaccinated people:***

Get tested with a viral test 3-5 days after travel.

If your test is positive, isolate yourself to protect others from getting infected.

Self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms; isolate and get tested if you develop symptoms.

### ***For unvaccinated people:***

Get tested with a viral test 3-5 days after travel AND stay home and self-quarantine for a full 7 days after travel.

Even if you test negative, stay home and self-quarantine for the full 7 days.

If your test is positive, isolate yourself to protect others from getting infected.

If you don't get tested, stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days after travel.

Avoid being around people who are at increased risk for severe illness for 14 days, whether you get tested or not

The Universal Guidance listed here serves as a baseline. Any business, organization, or operator is free to take additional safety precautions for the health and safety of its employees and consumers