



EVENT SAFETY CODE OF CONDUCT

The Veterans of Foreign Wars is dedicated to providing a safe event experience for all participants involved including attendees, staff, and anyone else present at the event.

Given that the responsibility of a safe in-person event is equally shared among event organizers, event vendors, event sponsors, and event attendees, the Veterans of Foreign Wars has developed the following code of conduct to which all participants need to abide by. This document outlines a collection of rules and regulations that include what is and is not acceptable or expected behavior and should serve as a reminder that if we all collectively respect the significance of this contribution, we are advocating for the well-being of our fellow global citizens.

EXPECTED BEHAVIOR

Before Leaving Home

- Follow relevant guidance provided by the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), World Health Organization (WHO), or your local health authority.
- Adhere to government issued travel restrictions and guidance issued by the region you will be travelling to and the region you are travelling from.
- Evaluate your own health and that of the people you are in close contact with; contact the meeting/event organizers if you have concerns.
- Stay home if you feel sick.
- Add to your phone's address book the event organizer's contact information listed at the end of this document.
- Because the Omicron B-1 COVID-19 variant is easily transmissible we recommend travelers bring a COVID-19 rapid test.

On-site During the Event

- Abide by the venue and The Veterans of Foreign Wars' rules
- Assume all risks of attending an in-person event, including the potential risk of becoming infected with COVID-19
- Follow guidance from the local health authority, for everyday preventive actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses, including:
 - Washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or an alcohol-based sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
 - Avoiding touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
 - Covering your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. Throw used tissues in the trash.

- Agree to have your temperature taken before entering the meeting/event venue, if required by The Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- Agree to show proof of immunizations if required by The Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- Agree to wear a mask or facial covering, if required by The Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- Agree to change your mask multiple times a day if required by The Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- Agree to cooperate with contact tracing personnel should you become infected with COVID-19 during national convention.
- Adhere to social distance if protocols are put in place by The Veterans of Foreign Wars and respect others' personal space.
- Go to the event First Aid Office (or equivalent) at any time if you feel unwell or are experiencing flu-like symptoms.
- Stay in your room and contact the Veterans of Foreign Wars for further instructions if you wake up not feeling well during the event. Contact information can be found at the end of this document.

Post-event

Based on current contact tracing advice from many health authorities, if you test positive for COVID-19 up to 10 days after returning home, please contact the Veterans of Foreign Wars immediately to advise them. Contact information can be found at the end of this document.

General Information/Links:

CDC lists the COVID-19 Community Level in the Kansas City, MO area as high. As we move forward, the Kansas City Health Department will continue to make COVID-19 vaccinations available, monitor COVID-19-related data, and remain ready to increase our response efforts should the situation warrant.

<https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/health/coronavirus-covid-19-kcmo-information-and-response/covid-19-information-and-resources-from-the-cdc>

CONTACT INFORMATION

To communicate with the event organizer before, during or after the event, please use the following contact information.

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