



COVID-19 Volunteer Liability Waiver

COVID-19 Background

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic, a global health emergency, by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly through person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments, and federal and state health agencies, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), recommend social/physical distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of large groups. These agencies are recommending additional health practices and sanitary/disinfecting procedures to stop the spread of the virus.

Tree Pittsburgh is responding to COVID-19 concerns by following these guidelines and precautions, including asking for a health history review from all attendees. However, Tree Pittsburgh cannot guarantee that you or a member of your group will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending a Tree Pittsburgh program or event could increase your risk, or the risk of others in your group, of contracting COVID-19. We are asking all attendees to help us prevent the transmission of the virus.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- Fever
- Chills
- Fatigue
- Dry Cough
- Difficulty Breathing
- Loss of Taste
- Loss of Smell

Before you arrive

Agree to the following:

- I understand the above symptoms and affirm that I, as well as all household members, do not currently have, nor have experienced the symptoms listed above within the last 14 days.
- I affirm that I, as well as all household members, have not been diagnosed with COVID-19 within the last 14 days.
- I affirm that I, as well as all household members, have not knowingly been exposed to anyone diagnosed with COVID-19 within the last 14 days.
- I affirm that I, as well as all household members, have not traveled outside of the country, or to any city outside of our own that is or has been considered a “hot spot” for COVID-19 infections within the last 14 days.
- I affirm that I am following all CDC recommended guidelines as much as possible and limiting my exposure to the coronavirus/COVID-19.
- I affirm that I will inform Tree Pittsburgh should I develop COVID-like symptoms within 14 days of attending a Tree Pittsburgh event or program.
- I understand that Tree Pittsburgh cannot be held liable for any exposure to the virus or any other contagion caused by misinformation on this form or the health history of other volunteers.

When you arrive

Tree Pittsburgh has increased its sanitary/disinfecting procedures in compliance with CDC guidelines. We request all volunteers to follow these enhanced procedures, as well, to help prevent the spread of COVID 19:

- Practice safe physical distancing protocols, 6 feet minimum, at all times.
- *Masks are not required for vaccinated volunteers while outdoors. Masks are required for all volunteers while indoors and, for those who are unvaccinated, at all times.*
- Provide your own face masks, if needed.
- Please avoid touching surfaces.
- Please wash or sanitize your hands frequently.
- Please avoid touching your face with your hands.
- Please avoid all physical contact with other volunteers or staff, including handshakes and hugs.
- Please do not share tools with other volunteers or staff members.

Acknowledgement

I acknowledge the contagious nature of the coronavirus/COVID-19 and further acknowledge that Tree Pittsburgh has put into practice preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. I further acknowledge that Tree Pittsburgh cannot guarantee that I will not become infected by COVID-19. I acknowledge the above statements and safety protocols set by Tree Pittsburgh and will do my best to adhere to them. Should I violate these terms I acknowledge that Tree Pittsburgh staff may ask me to leave. By signing below, I release Tree Pittsburgh from all liability for unintentional exposure or harm due to COVID-19.

(SIGN) Name of Volunteer: _____ Date: _____

(PRINT) Name of Volunteer: _____

Guardian Signature if under 18: _____