RESTART SCOUTING SAFELY PLANNING GUIDE

**STEP 1**
Develop your Unit’s COVID-19 ‘Restart Scouting Safely’ plan with your Unit Committee.

**STEP 2**
Share your plan with your Unit’s Chartered Organization. Discuss other requirements and guidelines they may have in place and if your Unit has permission to begin using their facilities/space for meetings.

**STEP 3**
Communicate your Unit's plan to your Scouting families. Be sensitive to all families and consider offering a hybrid (both in-person and virtual) program to ensure all youth have the opportunity to participate. Parents should only resume Scouting when they are comfortable. Parents are highly encouraged to ask their Unit leadership questions about the Unit’s plan to restart Scouting safely and a Unit should ONLY begin meeting if social distancing can be ensured.

**STEP 4**
Monitor and adjust your Unit's plan to be current with any new local, state, or federal changes (repeat steps 1-3).

### Guidelines to Restart Scouting Safely

- Follow local, state, and federal requirements relating to group sizes so that social distancing can be achieved. Be mindful that social distancing for younger age groups (Cub Scouts) may be more difficult. Include two-deep leadership when factoring group size.
- Maintain proper social distancing and wear face coverings when unable to be socially distant.
- Ensure proper sanitation of meeting spaces, personal equipment, and Unit gear.
- Ensure youth and adults self-screen (at a minimum) before attending Unit functions.
- Have a prepared plan to address medical protocol should a youth or adult become ill during a meeting or other activity.
- Maintain attendance records for both youth and adults at all meetings and functions in the event contact tracing is needed.
- Take precautions for older adults and those most vulnerable, including having those individuals not physically participate.
- When camping resumes, ONE person (youth or adult) per tent should be maintained.
- Out-of-State Travel and Activities - be certain to follow Steps 1 through 4 and adhere to all preceding guidelines for each state in which your Unit will travel.

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