

AMC Ponkapoag Camp
Summer 2021 – reopening guidelines
June 21, 2021

Health Considerations

1. Unvaccinated campers who have entered or re-entered Massachusetts are advised to quarantine for 10 days upon their arrival before arriving at camp. Full MA Travel Advisory details are available [here](#).
2. Travelers in the following categories are exempt from this quarantine advisory:
 - a. Travelers who have received a negative COVID-19 result on a test administered not more than 72 hours prior to their arrival in Massachusetts. Travelers may also test out of the quarantine advisory after arrival in Massachusetts, as long as they quarantine until receiving a negative test result.
 - b. Anyone who is returning to Massachusetts after being out of the State for fewer than 24 hours
 - c. Travelers who are fully vaccinated (i.e. who have received two doses of either the Moderna or Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines OR who have received a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine, 14 days or more ago) and who do not have symptoms.
3. All campers must respond "No" to the questions below on the day of their arrival at camp:
 - a. Have you exhibited any COVID-related symptoms in the past fourteen days?
 - b. Have you had close contact in the past fourteen days with anyone actively experiencing COVID symptoms (NOTE: fully vaccinated guests are exempt from this question)?
 - c. Are you currently under a quarantine or stay-at-home order?
4. Development of symptoms
 - a. If a camper feels sick and/or develops COVID-related symptoms while at camp
 - i. They must notify manager immediately
 - ii. They must depart camp as soon as possible
 - iii. All unvaccinated campers who stayed in the same cabin as the sick camper or who at any point came in close contact with the sick camper must also depart camp as soon as possible
 - b. COVID-19 symptoms can be found on the [CDC website](#)
5. Vaccination FAQs
 - a. AMC follows science and guidance from the [CDC](#)
 - b. Vaccination Status: AMC does not discriminate on the basis of vaccination status
 - c. Vaccination status cannot be used as criteria for attendance at or participation in camp activities
 - d. Camp manager shall not ask about vaccination status for campers unless managing a situation with individuals who were in close contact with a sick camper
 - e. Requirements to comply with all required COVID health and safety practices as described in the current Phase or as mandated by government agencies and land managers remain in place regardless of vaccination status
6. Definitions
 - a. **Social distancing**, also called “physical distancing,” means keeping a safe space between yourself and other people who are not from your household. To practice social or physical distancing, stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arm lengths) from other people who are not from your household in both indoor and outdoor spaces.

- b. A **social group** is a pre-formed group of individuals who have been in close contact with one another for a period of at least 14 days and who agree to remain members of this social group for a particular week at Camp
- c. **Masks** must cover **both mouth and nose** at all times when in use

Summer Reservation Details

1. Campers must review AMC's COVID-19 Guest Information for Reservation Confirmations before arriving: <https://www.outdoors.org/policies-covid/>
2. Every camper must be listed on the reservation form
 - a. Anyone who is not listed on the reservation form will not be allowed to stay overnight at camp
3. Timelines
 - a. Reservations will run Monday through Sunday
 - b. Check-in times on Mondays will be assigned in two-hour slots to avoid crowding
 - c. Check-out on Sunday by 1:00 pm
4. Check-in/check-out procedures
 - a. Manager's office access is limited to summer manager or their designated substitute manager
 - b. One additional person is allowed in the office if required for camp-related transactions
 - c. Check-in procedure
 - i. Cabins should be paid-in-full prior to arrival at camp. Any remaining balance will need to be settled before cabin key will be turned over.
 - d. Check-out procedure
 - i. Follow cleaning procedures as posted in cabins
 - ii. Drop key off in box outside summer manager's office

Protocols – Cabin

1. Cabins are cleaned between campers in accordance with [CDC](#), AMC and State requirements
2. Hand sanitizer and basic cleaning supplies are provided by camp
3. Post-departure
 - a. Any camper who develops symptoms within seven (7) days of departing camp must notify the summer manager immediately

Protocols – Site

1. All campers must keep a mask on their person at all times for use as needed
2. Vaccinated campers and/or campers who are in the same social group are not required to social distance from one another
3. Outdoors: unvaccinated campers must wear their mask at any time that social distancing becomes challenging
4. Indoor public spaces (lodge): masks are not required for fully vaccinated campers. Masks are required for unvaccinated campers.

Protocols – Lodge

1. Unvaccinated campers, including both unvaccinated adults and all unvaccinated minors over the age of 5, are required to wear a mask at all times inside the lodge.
2. Lodge will be cleaned in accordance with CDC, AMC and State recommendations
3. No eating/drinking inside lodge

Protocols – Special Events

1. Evening events, such as bingo, sing-along evenings, and movie nights, will be held outside, weather permitting. Rain will cancel.
2. Saturday evening potluck dinners will be held outside. Rain will cancel. Masks will be required for **all** campers in the potluck buffet line.

Protocols – Waterfront / Dock / Swimming area

1. All social distancing and mask requirements noted above in Site protocols apply at waterfront/dock/swimming area
2. Lifeguard has the authority to enforce Covid-related rules at the waterfront/dock/swimming area. Campers who do not respect the lifeguard's requests will be required to leave the area for the remainder of the day. Campers who repeatedly disregard the lifeguard's authority will be banned from the area for the remainder of their stay.

Protocols – Outhouses and porta-potties

1. Outhouses will be cleaned in accordance with [CDC](#), AMC and State recommendations

I have read and understood the COVID-19 rules detailed above and I agree that I will abide by them. Failure to abide by the rules endangers my health and the health of other campers and is grounds for me to be asked to leave camp immediately, with no refund available.

All campers age 18 and over must sign below. Campers under age 18 must also be listed, with parent/guardian signature.

Signature

Printed Name

Signature

Printed Name

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Printed Name

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Printed Name

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Printed Name

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Printed Name

Date

For Manager's use only:

Reservation Dates

Cabin