COVID-19 GUIDELINES FOR INDOOR & OUTDOOR GATHERINGS BY TIER

Please review the current guidelines below to understand the indoor and outdoor ceremony and reception restrictions as mandated by San Francisco Health and Safety.

The past restrictions, organized by tier, may become enforceable at any time per San Francisco Health and Safety but are not currently applicable.

Visit the department of health website for more information.

CURRENT – AS OF 10.13.21

Individuals may participate in indoor gatherings subject to the following conditions:

1. Face Coverings are required inside of the Conservatory of Flowers at all times. Because of the recent surge in the Delta variant, everyone, including people who are Fully Vaccinated, must wear a Well-Fitted Mask in indoor public settings. Until the mask covering requirement is lifted, food and beverage is not allowed inside the Conservatory of Flowers although full dinner and drink service is welcomed and permitted inside the Orchid Pavilion and outside on the Palm Terrace.

2. The Conservatory of Flowers must require patrons and staff to provide proof of Full Vaccination if food and beverage will be served either in the private Orchid Pavilion or outside on the Palm Terrace.
   a. “Fully Vaccinated” and “Full Vaccination” means two weeks after completing the entire recommended series of vaccinations
   b. The following are acceptable as proof of Full Vaccination: (i) the CDC vaccination card (ii) a photo of a vaccination card (iii) a photo of the a vaccination card stored on a phone or electronic device (iv) documentation of vaccination from a healthcare provider (v) a personal digital COVID-19 vaccine record issued by the State of California and available by going to https://myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov or similar documentation issued by another State, local, or foreign governmental jurisdiction
PAST YELLOW TIER LEVEL RESTRICTIONS - NOT CURRENTLY APPLICABLE

Outdoor Ceremonies

Individuals may participate in outdoor ceremonies subject to the following conditions:

1. Allowed with no special capacity limit on the maximum number of people.
2. No proof of vaccination / negative COVID-19 test is required for fewer than 299 people
3. Singing, chanting, etc. and playing wind and brass instruments are allowed subject to the general safety protocols for such activities outdoors.

Indoor Ceremonies

Individuals may participate in indoor ceremonies subject to the following conditions:

1. Allowed with capacity limited to 50% of maximum occupancy (which is equal to 37 for the West Gallery). Capacity is based on the number of congregants, visitors and other participants, but does not include personnel
2. All participants and all faith leaders and other personnel must wear face coverings and maintain 6 feet of social distancing from members of other households
3. Participants are discouraged from informally congregating before or after Indoor gatherings
4. Seats must be assigned to all attendees, and seating must be arranged that 6 feet of social distance can be maintained between households.

Outdoor Receptions

Limited-size events of up to 200 guests, with face coverings (except for food and beverage service per below) and distancing between members of different households, subject to these safety protocols:

1. All guests must have purchased tickets or, as an alternative, the host must maintain a defined guest list
2. A seating chart or assigned seating is required
3. Food and beverage service is allowed per the safety rules for outdoor dining (see below)

The number of guests may be increased to up to 400 people total (including personnel and volunteers, except that fully vaccinated workers do not count toward this capacity limit) if all Personnel and guests age 12 and up provide proof either that they are fully vaccinated or that they have a negative COVID-19 test (PCR test taken not more than 72 hours before the event or antigen test taken not more than 24 hours before the event).

Indoor Receptions

Open for up to 200 people with face coverings (except for food and beverage service per below) and distancing between members of different households, and subject to these safety protocols:

1. All personnel and guests age 16 and up must provide proof that they are fully vaccinated. Guests under age 16 may attend and sit with their parents, guardians or sponsors, but children between the ages of two and 15 must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test (PCR test taken not more than 72 hours before the event or antigen test taken not more than 24 hours before the event.)
2. All guests must have purchased tickets or, as an alternative, the host must maintain a defined guest list.
3. A seating chart or assigned seating is required.
4. Guests from different Households must be seated at least six feet away from each other unless ventilation is adequate.

**Outdoor Dining**

Open outdoors with no percentage occupancy limit but with restrictions on table size, spacing and mixing of households.

1. Dining establishments must limit tables of up to eight people total per table with no household limit.
2. Tables are generally required to be spaced at least six feet apart (measured from chair of one table to chair of another).
3. Unvaccinated older adults and other unvaccinated people with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems – and those who live with them – are strongly encouraged to get fully vaccinated.
4. Patrons must be seated at a table to eat or drink and may only remove face coverings when eating or drinking, meaning, for instance, they must put on face coverings when staff approach the table to take an order, deliver meals or clear the table.
5. Bar service is allowed, only as table service.
6. Patrons must be seated at a table to be served and must consume their beverages only at the table.
7. Self-service food uses and buffets are allowed with a system for monitoring distancing between households and cleaning between users.

**Indoor Dining**

Open indoors at up to 50% occupancy (which is 50 people in the Orchid Pavilion) with tables spaced at least six feet apart (measured from chair of one table to chair of another), and subject to the following additional SF restrictions:

1. Tables are limited to eight people with no household limit.
2. Patrons must be seated at a table to eat or drink and may only remove face coverings when eating or drinking, meaning, for instance, they must put on face coverings when staff approach the table to take an order, deliver meals or clear the table.
3. The 11 p.m. closure requirement is lifted.
4. Tabletop cooking by personnel or patrons is allowed.
5. Indoor bar service is allowed (with a meal) only as table service.

**PAST ORANGE TIER LEVEL RESTRICTIONS – NOT CURRENTLY APPLICABLE**

**Outdoor Ceremonies**

Individuals may participate in outdoor ceremonies subject to the following conditions:

4. Allowed with no special capacity limit on the maximum number of people. Singing, chanting, etc. and playing wind and brass instruments are allowed subject to the general safety protocols for such activities outdoors.
**Indoor Ceremonies**

Individuals may participate in indoor ceremonies subject to the following conditions:

5. Allowed with capacity limited to 50% of maximum occupancy (which is equal to 37 for the West Gallery). Capacity is based on the number of congregants, visitors and other participants, but does not include personnel
6. All participants and all faith leaders and other personnel must wear face coverings and maintain social distancing from members of other households
7. Face coverings to remain on at all times

**Outdoor Receptions**

Limited-size events of up to 100 guests, with face coverings (except for food and beverage service per below) and distancing between members of different households, subject to these safety protocols:

4. All guests must have purchased tickets or, as an alternative, the host must maintain a defined guest list
5. A seating chart or assigned seating is required
6. Food and beverage service is allowed per the safety rules for outdoor dining (see below)

**Indoor Receptions**

Open for limited-size events with up to 150 guests, with face coverings (except for food and beverage service per below) and distancing between members of different households, and subject to these safety protocols:

6. All personnel and guests age 12 and up must provide proof that they are fully vaccinated
7. All guests must have purchased tickets or, as an alternative, the host must maintain a defined guest list
8. A seating chart or assigned seating is required
9. Food and beverage service is allowed per the safety rules for indoor dining, including ventilation

**Outdoor Dining**

Open outdoors with no percentage occupancy limit but with restrictions on table size, spacing and mixing of households.

8. Dining establishments must limit tables of up to eight people total per table
9. Tables are generally required to be spaced at least six feet apart (measured from chair of one table to chair of another).
10. Unvaccinated older adults and other unvaccinated people with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems – and those who live with them – are urged to defer participating in outdoor dining at this time.
11. Patrons must be seated at a table to eat or drink and may only remove face coverings when eating or drinking, meaning, for instance, they must put on face coverings when staff approach the table to take an order, deliver meals or clear the table
12. Bar service open outdoors only with table service and no more than eight people per table (increased from six people, consistent with outdoor dining), in accordance with the same safety protocols that apply to outdoor dining (except for any requirement to serve bone fide meals)
13. Patrons must be seated at a table to be served and must consume their beverages only at the table.

**Indoor Dining**

Open indoors at up to 50% occupancy (which is 0 people in the Orchid Pavilion) with tables spaced at least six feet apart (measured from chair of one table to chair of another), and subject to the following additional SF restrictions:

6. Tables are limited to three households up to six people
7. Patrons must be seated at a table to eat or drink and may only remove face coverings when eating or drinking, meaning, for instance, they must put on face coverings when staff approach the table to take an order, deliver meals or clear the table
8. The 11 p.m. closure requirement is lifted
9. Tabletop cooking by personnel or patrons is allowed
10. No indoor bar service is allowed

**Past Red and Purple Tier Level Restrictions – Not Currently Applicable**

Individuals may participate in small outdoor meal gatherings—small outdoor gatherings, and outdoor special gatherings (religious service or religious ceremony), subject to the following conditions:

1. No more than 6 people may participate in a Small Outdoor Meal Gathering that involves eating or drinking within six feet of each other, unless all are members of the same household or living unit.
2. A group consisting of up to 12 people from more than one Household may congregate in a Small Outdoor Gathering.
3. A group consisting of up to 200 people from more than one Household people may congregate for an Outdoor Special Gather (religious service or religious ceremony). No food or beverages may be served at Outdoor Special Gatherings. Participants must bring their own non-alcoholic beverages if necessary, for hydration.
4. Indoor Religious and Cultural Ceremonial Gatherings, including weddings and funerals (no receptions, may include up to 25% of capacity or 100, whichever is fewer, from different households.
5. Participants who are not part of the same Household must remain at least six feet apart, follow all Social Distancing Requirements, and wear Face Coverings unless eating, drinking, or exempted from wearing a Face Covering under Section 3.g. or h. of the Face Covering Order. Where eating or drinking is allowed under Sections 2 and 4.2 of this Directive, Face Coverings are not required only for a limited period while the individual is eating or drinking.
6. All Outdoor Gatherings must be scheduled to conclude in no more than two hours. And in any event the duration of all gatherings should be limited to the extent possible.
7. Participants or Hosts may distribute clean, single-use, non-edible items such as maps, flyers, or pamphlets to other Participants at the Outdoor Special Gathering. If such materials are distributed, Participants and Hosts must continue to maintain six feet of physical distance, such as by placing items in a basket or on a table for Participants to pick-up.