



2021 MAFCA National Tour Update

February 9, 2021

The Tour Committee continues to prepare for the 2021 National Tour. Following a discussion at the February 6 MAFCA Board meeting, we want to update you regarding some important information related to the Tour and COVID-19.

The main message is this: ***the Tour is still on*** – but with some modifications intended to keep everyone safe during the Tour. Here are the key things you need to know!

- Large indoor group gatherings currently are not possible due to reduced seating capacity. In order to plan and work with the host hotel:
 - The Farewell Banquet will not take place.
 - We are working with the host hotel to redesign the Welcome Dinner into a Welcome Event. We'll update you when this is complete.
- Currently, Tour participants will need to follow the COVID-19 guidance from the CDC, the state of New Hampshire, and the North Conway Grand Hotel:
 - Personal behavior (masking, distancing, symptom checks) requirements.
 - Quarantine requirement and travel restriction for participants from non-New England states
 - Quarantine in New Hampshire upon arrival, or at home prior to traveling to New Hampshire IF you travel by private transportation.
 - However, completing vaccination at least 14 days prior to arrival in New Hampshire eliminates quarantine requirement.
 - Requirement that each party arriving at a hotel sign a statement related to these requirements.

We are hopeful that these requirements will be loosened by June, but in the meantime please be familiar with them and plan accordingly. Here are links to the requirements where you will find their details:

NH COVID-19 Travel Guidance

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/travel-guidance.pdf>

NH Mask Mandate

<https://www.governor.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt336/files/documents/emergency-order-74.pdf>

Hotel Statement of Symptoms & Quarantine – See page 3.

- If you have already registered for the Tour, we will refund the cost of the Farewell Banquet and an amount to be determined depending on the nature of the Welcome Event when you arrive for the Tour.
- If you are about to register for the Tour, *please do not register for the Farewell Banquet*. The costs for other events remain the same. Refunds related to the revised Welcome Event will be provided when you arrive for the Tour.
- We will issue further Tour updates over the coming months as new information emerges. ***We encourage everyone to get a vaccination prior to the Tour.***

Thank you for your continued support for the 2021 National Tour! I'm happy to say that the main event, touring in the beautiful Lakes Region of New Hampshire, is a go. Please get in touch with me if you have any questions regarding the Tour.

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The Statement below is required by the hotel at check in by the state of New Hampshire

Statement of Symptoms and Quarantine

Pursuant to the Governor of New Hampshire’s Emergency Order 27, all registered guests must attest that they are not exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19. Additionally, registered guests checking in must provide a New England driver’s license as proof of residency. For non-New England guests, they must attest that they have quarantined at home for 10 days. Guests cannot have traveled by public transportation.

Symptoms Statement (Required by all guests):

By signing this statement, I attest that no one in my party is currently exhibiting any symptoms of COVID-19 such as:

Have been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 (**NOTE:** Healthcare workers caring for COVID-19 patients while wearing appropriate personal protective equipment should answer “no” to this question.)

Fever in the last 48 hours

Respiratory symptoms such as sore throat, cough, or shortness of breath

Changes in a person’s sense of taste or smell

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Quarantine Statement required for guest who are not New England (New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts, Vermont, Rhode Island, and Connecticut) residents:

By signing this statement, I attest that I and all of the individuals staying with me in my rented room have been quarantined* at home for the past 10 days and have not traveled via public transportation.

*The definition of quarantine in this instance means that the person or people registering to stay at this lodging facility means only going out for essential items and when outside of the home maintaining social distancing and wearing face masks when within less than 6 feet of another person.

Out-of-state first responders and healthcare workers who use PPE as part of their daily work are exempt from the isolate-at-home portion of this requirement. Guests that are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, and more than 14-days have passed since receiving the second dose of approved COVID-19 vaccine, as well as guests that have previously tested positive for active COVID-19 infection (by PCR or antigen testing) in the last 90 days are exempt from quarantine requirement. If guests had a previous infection that was more than 90 days ago, you must still follow all quarantine requirements.

Name: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____