



PALO ALTO BUDDHIST TEMPLE

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COVID-19 Safety Protocol

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Dear Members and Guests,

The health and safety of our members and our visitors are our top priority. With conditions improving and vaccinations available, we are approving requests for use of facilities, on a case-by-case basis, while following CDC, [Cal/OSHA](#) and Santa Clara County Health Department safety protocols.

Please abide by the following Safety Protocol for entry and facilities use procedures, knowing that these parameters may change at any time. If any updates to applicable COVID-19 guidelines should change and become more strict than these guidelines, the more strict requirements will apply.

The following procedures are in place to help protect the health and safety of our members and visitors.

Entrance Requirements & Procedures:

1. Every group is requested to obtain prior approval by the PABT office for the use of facilities.
2. Everyone aged 12 and over must either have a negative COVID-19 test taken within 72 hours of entering temple facilities or proof of a COVID-19 vaccination series completed at least 14 days prior to the event. Exceptions can be made for medical conditions.
3. Everyone entering facilities must provide your name and contact information for contact tracing purposes.
4. You must be clear of any [COVID-19 symptoms](#) and meet health requirements before entering. Parents or designated adults are responsible for compliance for minors.

5. All persons must follow the Health Officer's Mandatory Directive on [Use of Face Coverings](#) and [Cal/OSHA emergency temporary standards on COVID-19 infection prevention](#).
6. Steps should be taken to maximize outside airflow and ventilation.
7. Cleaning will be conducted in accordance with applicable [Cal/OSHA guidelines](#).
8. By voluntarily entering the temple you agree to assume the risk of possibly contracting COVID-19 and agree to forever release and waive your and your children's rights to bring suit against the temple, its officers, directors, employees, fellow temple members and or other representatives in connection with any and all exposure, infection, and/or spread of COVID-19.

Notification Requirements:

We ask that you help us protect the health of our members and guests. If a person falls ill with COVID-19 symptoms, they should leave the temple immediately and get a COVID-19 test. All visitors must immediately alert PABT if they test positive for COVID-19 and were present in the temple facilities either (1) within the 48 hours prior to onset of symptoms or within 10 days after onset of symptoms if they were symptomatic; or (2) within 48 hours prior to the date on which they were tested or within 10 days after the date on which they were tested if they were asymptomatic.

- PABT will report the positive case to the County Public Health Department at [sccsafeworkplace.org](https://www.sccsafeworkplace.org). Reports will include your personal information including your name, address, contact information and the names of close contacts for contact tracing.
- Should anyone who was on-site contract COVID-19, appropriate contact tracing will be conducted and impacted parties will be notified. Following a positive diagnosis, you may not return to the temple for 14 days after symptoms onset and 72 hours of no fever.
- Should any unvaccinated person come into close contact with someone with COVID-19, defined as being closer than six feet from an infected person for more than 15 minutes, they will be asked to stay home and take a COVID-19 test 5 days after exposure. If this is negative, you may return to the temple on the 7th day.

Use of temple facilities will be permitted on a case-by-case basis upon approval by the temple office. Depending on the planned use, additional safety and cleaning measures may be prescribed as a condition for facilities use.

Please email us at office@pabt.org if you have any questions or would like pre-approval to use facilities. We look forward to seeing you soon. Thank you and stay healthy,

Palo Alto Buddhist Temple Board

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