



National Convention 2021 Phoenix

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Great news to share regarding some relaxed measures in Phoenix and the Phoenix Convention Center (PCC) for our National Convention. These are the updates regarding the relaxed COVID-19 measures.

- 1. *Our convention is open now to all;*** Not a private event. Invite your neighbor, your family, etc. Everyone can attend now. Just like in the past. When you complete your DAG (Delegate, Alternate, Guest) Form, if an attendee is a Guest, that is perfectly fine. Same procedure as past conventions when completing the DAG form (*will be sent by Wednesday morning*).
- 2. *Waiver is still needed for anyone to attend.*** An attendee will return said waiver to you (Dept/Det Adj). If the attendee is a Guest, on the Waiver where it asks for Membership Number, simply mark N/A now.
- 3. *Everyone still must Pre-Register with their Department.***
- 4. *There will not be on-site walk-in registration.*** This really is only applicable to the Host Department each year.
- 5. While there is now no Physical Distancing required in leased spaces, *we still have to be cognizant and observe Physical Distancing in all common areas of the Phoenix Convention Center: hallways, foyers, food court, etc, that is not leased space to The American Legion.***
- 6. No *capacity limits*** in meeting rooms or larger general session rooms or in exhibit hall. The current assigned space and size of these rooms will remain in order for all to be comfortable and at ease to allow one to physical distance if they so desire. However, for the National Commander's Banquet, at this time, we want to be ensured by the Center that the workforce/labor will be in full operation to service an increase in attendance. There is a labor shortage across the country, especially in the hospitality industry.

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If you want to attend the 2021 National Convention in Phoenix, the following must be completed

Contact your **Department Adjutant** and complete the required form for a **Hotel Room Reservation, Group Activities, etc:**

Separately: **Contact the Detachment Adjutant** and complete the required forms to be registered as a **Delegate to Convention** - this is required, **no last minute add-ons**. Entrance to Convention Facilities requires credentials.

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PCC's workforce is not at 100% yet. We will make a determination whether to increase the size of the banquet by the end of July.

This will provide us and the PCC ample time on whether they can serve twice as many people in an allotted timeframe.

While relaxed Physical Distancing measures may allow for increased attendance to the banquet, it is our duty to ensure the PCC can facilitate a memorable experience while serving all expeditiously and still uphold the quality of standard.

We, and the PCC, do not want to over promise and under delivery.

7. **Face Covering/Mask:** For all FULLY vaccinated people — you do not have to wear a face covering/mask. The honor system is applied, just like it is currently with some retail stores, hotels, etc. ***(Airlines still require face covering/mask as well as other transportation sources)***
8. There will be no on-site temperature checks or health screenings now at the PCC.

It is still the responsibility of the attendee to adhere to the waiver agreement and protocols.

For example.... If you have a fever, stay home; if you contract COVID-19 two weeks prior to your convention departure, stay home, etc.

Additional updates will follow when details are finalized.