

Atlantian Re-Opening Requirements

This plan outlines the safety standards and procedures the Kingdom of Atlantia will be following in order to allow official SCA in-person events and activities. It does not obligate any branch to hold, or individual to attend, any activity. **This plan is effective July 1, 2021** for all official branch activities and events and is approved by the Crown, Kingdom Seneschal, and Great Officers. Expect further revisions to this document, per BOD direction, as necessary.

This is our next step toward the full resumption of in-person SCA events and activities. We will continue to assess the pandemic environment and make changes going forward as needed, to relax or tighten existing restrictions as the situation allows. No matter what safety precautions we put in place, there is no substitute for each individual being educated about the risk to themselves and their loved ones, and making responsible choices to protect themselves and others from this virus.

Attendees must abide by all mandated venue, state, district and local rules and restrictions (“Mandated Requirements”).

When there is a discrepancy between Mandated Requirements and SCA restrictions, follow the more restrictive requirement.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION

There are no SCA restrictions on event or activity size **unless the Mandated Requirements for venue, local, district or state guidelines are more restrictive**. For example, some local and state governments still do not allow gatherings above a certain size. Those restrictions must be followed and enforced.

Mandated Requirements include the use of masks for everyone whenever required by the CDC, venue, state or local requirements. All individuals wearing facemasks should do so correctly, covering the mouth and nose. Unvaccinated persons over age 2 are expected to wear masks in addition to staying 6 feet apart, especially when indoors around people who don't live in your household. While the SCA will not require proof of vaccination to attend, unvaccinated persons are on their honor to wear masks in accordance to CDC guidelines. The CDC guidelines for unvaccinated persons can be found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cloth-face-cover-guidance.html> and for vaccinated persons at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html>.

In Atlantia an **‘Event’** is a registered official event on the Atlantia Kingdom Calendar, an **‘Activity’** is an A&S, business meeting, marshalled practices, etc. announced via any local official SCA medium whether Facebook, elist or newsletter.

Event and activity staff cannot provide a day board, feast, or water bearing of any kind.

For the purpose of this document 'water bearing' is defined as providing water to individuals from a shared source (squirt bottles/shared bottles). Water may be given out in individual sealed water bottles. Multi-gallon self-serve water coolers may be made available for filling individual personal drink containers. Attendees must provide their own food and beverages. Local groups may not sponsor food service such as potlucks, buffet – style, or family style meals of any type. Attendees who accept shared drinking containers or buffet-style food from other attendees do so at their own risk. Third-party food trucks are allowed. Branch and/or Kingdom support cannot be given for planning shared food, including discussion in official social media/email spaces. An event may choose to provide paper cups to avoid personal drinking vessels from accidentally coming into contact with the spigot of a water cooler.

All Events in Atlantia require pre-registration. The SCA reservation system (SCARS) is available online for pre-paid registrations. SCARS is encouraged but not required for prepaid pre-registrations; cash, money orders, and checks, may still be used. Pre-payment is required to minimize contact with the Event check-in staff. Sites requiring proof of vaccination may only be used if approved by the SCA Corporate office. Contact the Kingdom Seneschal to request a variance if your group wants to host an activity or event at a site requiring vaccination proof.

Camping and multi-day events are now allowed in all areas of Atlantia, where permitted by modern authorities.

The **SCA Event sign** (see below – page 4) must be printed and prominently displayed at the entrance to **all SCA Events and Activities** (Events, business meetings, A&S activities and martial practices). This language is **required** to appear on all event notices, flyers, online announcements, and advertisements, including event gate [Registration], and must be posted in multiple locations at any and all SCA-sponsored functions going forward.

All individuals attending Activities and Events (marshalled practice, A&S, business meetings, Events, etc.) **must provide both a modern legal name and contact information** on the **Sign In Sheet for Activities** (see below – page 5), or **Event check in** (pre-registration/troll). If they do not provide this information, they may not attend. The **Sign In Sheet** is to facilitate official government health agencies with contact tracing for activities, and will be supplied only if requested by those agencies. No-one in the SCA will be contacting anyone if the information has been requested by a health agency; it will be the agencies that do all notification. The sign in sheet will be kept for 60 days in a secure location by the Seneschal of the local group. After which it should be destroyed by shredding or burning, NOT recycled or thrown in ordinary trash.

We strongly encourage events to continue safety practices like having plenty of hand sanitizer throughout the event, having some disposable masks on hand, cleaning high-touch areas etc. We also strongly encourage event staff to wear masks, even if they are fully vaccinated, so that all attendees can feel more comfortable returning to events. Safety measures should be described in the event listing for better transparency with the populace.

All attendees at marshalled practices or events must prove they have a signed waiver on file at the SCA corporate office (proof of membership) or they must sign the standard SCA waiver. Remember to turn in waivers to the Kingdom waiver deputy on schedule.

Do not join any activity if you are exhibiting symptoms related to COVID-19 such as fever, sore throat, cough, headaches, body aches, or sudden loss of taste or smell.

The requirements of this plan are mandatory and branch officers or activity coordinators must enforce the requirements. Because COVID-19 virus circulation varies in communities, these requirements are meant to supplement – not replace – any state, local, or tribal health and safety laws, rules, and regulations with which gatherings must comply.

The SCA has always been built on the ideals of chivalry and courtesy. We expect that people will continue to display these values at all times, and respect an individual's personal choices regarding their own health and safety. As we move into the newest phase of Atlantia's reopening there will undoubtedly be bumps, and yet we know our Kingdom will continue to thrive and grow as it has for the past year. There are changes ahead, and new friends to be made, both in the Virtual Atlantia world and in-person. Vivat Atlantia!



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Although the SCA complies with all applicable laws to try to ensure the health and safety of our event participants, we cannot eliminate the risk of exposure to infectious diseases during in-person events. By participating in the in-person events of the SCA, you acknowledge and accept the potential risks. You agree to take any additional steps to protect your own health and safety and those under your control as you believe to be necessary.

Sign in sheet for all official SCA activities
 ALL ATTENDEES must provide name and contact information
 (Phone, email or address) for contact tracing

<u>NAME OF ACTIVITY</u>		<u>DATE OF ACTIVITY</u>	
SCA NAME	LEGAL NAME	PHONE, EMAIL OR ADDRESS	MEMBERSHIP #

This sheet is to be retained by the Seneschal for 60 days after the event and then destroyed



Der Doctor Says:

Stay Safe

Stay out of melee range. Cover your cough. Sanitize often.
Wash your hands. Avoid sharing goblets. Bows and curtsies.