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# Netzer Summer Camps, January 2022 - COVID-Safety Plan

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This policy is based on current (December 2022) Victorian and NSW government's Covid-19 safe plan recommendations and adapted for the use of Netzer. Below stated are suggestions and the discretion of how to follow them in real time is of the acting Federal Maskir/a at the time with advice from Shlichim and camp medics. Netzer reserves the right to continue editing this policy at any point, based on professional advice.

## **Pre-Camp Covid Prevention**

Testing enables early identification of cases of COVID-19 and supports immediate isolation to limit the ongoing transmission of COVID-19. **Everyone coming on camp is required to take a Rapid Antigen Test up to 12 hours prior to attending camp**, regardless of when they join it. This can be done by physically taking the test next to a Netzer representative, or proving it using an image with a timestamp.

Anyone who is a close contact should inform the heads of camp ahead of joining and cannot join the camp without explicit permission from the Rashim. They should also undertake regular tests in the 5 days following their last contact with a person who has COVID-19. If they test positive, they should follow recommendations for a positive COVID-19 case.

### Managing COVID-19 symptoms and close contacts on camp

Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should undertake a Rapid Antigen Test and continue daily tests until symptoms cease. If they test positive, they should follow recommendations for a positive COVID-19 case (see below).

Symptoms of COVID-19 can be defined as; fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea. Whether symptoms are related to COVID-19 or other illness should be advised by the medic.

If a person discovers they are close contacts while on camp, they should inform the medic/ Rashim immediately. If they have symptoms, the above protocol is to be followed. If they are asymptomatic they should follow testing recommendations and wear a mask as much as reasonably possible during this time sensitive period.

## Managing a COVID-19 Case on camp

If a person has tested positive while on camp, they should immediately isolate, with the support of the medic and Rashim. While legally not obliged to isolate, camp is a very sensitive environment, so we do require them to do so. Netzer will provide a separate isolation room for that person and will inform their parents ASAP. If the parents are from the same state where the camp is held, they should pick up the person ASAP. If they are from a different state, Netzer will support their safe isolation until deciding on the right course of action with that person's parents.

All of that person's roommates will be considered as close contacts (see above). Other campers who choose to, can also be considered and supported as close contacts. All relevant areas where the positive case stayed in the previous day should be thoroughly sanitized by the medic and Rashim.

"...VeNetzer misharshav yifre...

...and a branch shall grow out of its roots..." Isaiah 11:2

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**Other than those measures the camp can continue as normal.** Netzer is not required to inform the parents of campers, but can choose to.

## Steps towards COVID-19 prevention on camp

#### Wear face masks

Wearing a high-quality, well-fitted face mask lowers a person's chance of catching and spreading COVID-19.

Face masks are strongly recommended for:

- Anyone attending settings with increased risk such as the medic room or out of camp locations
- Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms should wear a mask in the presence of other people
- people who have COVID-19, for at least 5 days after receiving a positive COVID-19 test result, if they need to leave their room, if indoors, or if unable to physically distance
- people who are a close contact of someone who has COVID-19 for at least 5 days, if they need to leave their room, if indoors, or if unable to physically distance
- people who have symptoms of COVID-19

Face masks are mandatory while in the medic room, unless explicitly advised otherwise by the medic.

### Air quality and air flow

Improving indoor air quality can reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission in the workplace.

This can be improved by:

- opening windows
- leaving doors open in hallways and corridors
- adjust the settings on heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems or air conditioning units to increase the proportion of outdoor air

Weather permitting - it is encouraged to conduct all activities outdoors.

#### Summary of most important points:

- 1. The discretion of how to follow this policy in real time is of the acting Federal Maskir/a at the time with advice from Shlichim and camp medics.
- 2. Everyone coming on camp is required to take a Rapid Antigen Test up to 12 hours prior to attending camp.
- 3. Anyone who is a close contact should inform the heads of camp ahead of joining and cannot join the camp without explicit permission from the Rashim/ Shlichim.
- 4. If a person has tested positive while on camp, they should immediately isolate, with the support of the medic and Rashim.
- 5. Netzer will provide a separate isolation room for that person and will inform their parents ASAP. If the parents are from the same state where the camp is held, they should pick up the person ASAP. If they are from a different state, Netzer will support their safe isolation until deciding on the right course of action with that person's parents.
- 6. Other than the above measures the camp can continue as normal even after a COVID case/s.

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