



# RESTARTING MAINE'S ECONOMY

## **COVID-19 Guidelines for Recreational Safety Education Course Students**

The State of Maine has adopted a staged approach, supported by science, public health expertise and industry collaboration, to allow Maine businesses to safely open when the time is right. The plan is available at [www.maine.gov/covid19/restartingmaine](http://www.maine.gov/covid19/restartingmaine).

The purpose of this COVID-19 Guide to Education Courses Related to Outdoor Activities is to provide reopening guidelines for DIFW's Recreation Safety Program and the programming it offers.

## **Phase 2: Recreational Safety Education Courses June 4, 2020**

### **Student Information**

- Course instructors will communicate with all students (via standard email or by phone if necessary) in advance of the class regarding new operational procedures and required face coverings.

### **Before you attend:**

- Students/guests will not be allowed to attend if they exhibit flu-symptoms or are not feeling well.
- Every participant must follow quarantine guidelines meaning if they have traveled out of state or have been exposed to COVID they must have self-quarantined for at least 14 days following the exposure.
- Out-of-State students will not be allowed unless they have completed the 14-day, in-State quarantine.
- Classes are limited to registered students only, except when a youth has registered, and a guardian is going to accompany them. All guardians will count towards the maximum number of people for the classroom.
  - For ATV courses only, all children ages 10-16 must be accompanied by a guardian, that guardian does not have to be registered to take the course, but they may;
  - For all other courses:
    - Children 12 and under must have a guardian accompany them;
    - Children 13 and older may bring a parent to accompany them; or
    - A guardian may also be a registered student.
- If payment for this course is required, make every effort to pay in advance online or over the phone to avoid exchange of checks or money.
- Each student shall bring their own face covering, writing utensil, paper, water bottle and will only be allowed to bring into the classroom a jacket, face covering, keys, writing utensil, paper, phone and wallet. Food and drinks will not be provided, students should bring their own meals/snacks for the day.



- Students will have assigned seating and specific instructions to maintain health guidelines.
- When students arrive, they shall wait in their vehicles outside the facility until the instructor approaches their vehicle or calls their cell phone to ask them to be accompanied inside. This will allow the instructor to ask the required health status questions and ensure the student has a face covering available before they leave their vehicle.
- Students will be reminded to continue social distancing throughout the day. During lunchtime and short breaks students may eat at their desk, outside or in their vehicles. Each person should be responsible for the cleanup of their desk space when they're done eating.
- The Department is working to provide all documents necessary for the class in an electronic format and available for download by the students. Additionally, all links to those documents found on the IFW website will be included in the body of an email to the students (*For students without email course information, packets will be mailed*). Students will be asked to review the documents and print them off to bring to class with them. If the student cannot print them, they may request a copy be mailed to their address.
- Instructors will greet students outside of facility in their respective vehicles or call students individually via cell phone to escort them inside one at a time. Do not shake hands.

### **Entering the Classroom**

- Before each student enters, the instructor will ask the following questions and provide the following information/requirements:
  - Do you have any signs of illness? (if yes, they may not participate)
  - Have they traveled out of the state in the past 14 days? (if yes, they may not participate)
  - Have they been exposed to COVID in the past 14 days? (if yes, they may not participate)
  - Explain that they must wear a mask for the full duration of the class, if they do not have one, they may not participate unless we have extra to provide.
  - Ensure they disinfect their hands at the sanitization station set-up just inside the entrance.
- Students will have assigned seats.