

**Oxford Winds Community Concert Band
Policies & Procedures Addendum: COVID-19**

1. Core Principles

- a. We are an inclusive community and we try to keep each other safe. We recognize and respect that each member's comfort level may vary
- b. The health and social benefits of playing together and sharing our music drive what we do.
- c. We will treat all members of our community with care and respect. If a member does not feel safe returning to rehearsals right now, we will respect and support that decision, and make space for them when they do.
- d. We will continue to review and modify our policies and practices based on the most current research available. Membership will be informed of any changes in addition to changes being posted on our website.

2. Rehearsing Safety

a. Screening

- i. If a member exhibits any COVID-19 symptoms, feels ill, or has been exposed to someone with COVID-19 within the past 7 days, members should stay home and not come to rehearsal.
- ii. Members may be asked to confirm that they have complied with all criteria in 2.a.i at each in-person rehearsal.

b. Sanitization

- i. Members are discouraged from sharing any equipment or instruments during rehearsal times.
- ii. Hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes will be available at each rehearsal.
- iii. Members are encouraged to sanitize stands, chairs and other equipment owned by the Band, or borrowed from a rehearsal or concert venue, after each use.

c. Physical Distancing

- i. All efforts will be made to maintain at least 6 feet of physical distance between each seated musician, keeping personal comfort levels in mind.
- ii. If a member feels they are too close to a neighbouring musician, they should feel free to adjust their seat as necessary for their personal comfort.
- iii. This distancing may impact the number of musicians able to attend each rehearsal.

d. Rehearsal Length

- i. Rehearsal length may be affected for indoor rehearsals for ventilation purposes.

e. Masks

- i. Face masks shall be worn during indoor activities in accordance with current provincial regulations and/or venue-specific requirements.
- ii. Instrument masks or covers are optional.

f. Attendance Requirements

- i. Anyone who has any reason to believe they may be carrying any kind of illness should stay home. If a member has to miss rehearsals in order to keep other members safe, their good standing within the organization will not be affected, and their ability to perform at future performances will be reviewed on an individual basis.

g. Contact Tracing

- i. If a member has reason to believe they contracted COVID-19 while attending a rehearsal, or were pre-symptomatic with COVID-19 and attended a rehearsal, they are to inform the Music Director immediately. All members in attendance at that rehearsal will be promptly informed of possible transmission. The privacy and identity of the contracted member will be kept confidential, and will not be disclosed.

3. Vaccinations


- a. Proof of vaccination for rehearsals or events will only be required in accordance with current provincial regulations and/or venue-specific requirements.

4. Duration

- a. This document is effective as of April 1, 2022.
- b. The Board of Directors reserves the right to amend or cancel these policies at any time at their discretion.

5. Acknowledgement


- a. Members will acknowledge that there are COVID-19 transmission risks associated with participating in Oxford Winds activities, and that the measures taken by the Oxford Winds and participants, including those set out above, may not entirely eliminate those risks.
- b. In accordance with all Oxford Winds Policies and Procedures, members who do not abide by these policies may be subject to repercussions, such as suspension of membership with the organization, at the discretion of the Board.



President

September 10, 2022

Date



Treasurer

September 10, 2022

Date