



## Health and Safety Guidelines

Masks will be worn by staff, volunteers, vendors and conference attendees when not actively eating or drinking. Drinking cider and enjoying communal meals are a large part of the CiderCon experience. As a result, there will be periods of the conference when masks will not be worn. For this reason, CiderCon 2022 will be requiring guests to provide either proof of full vaccination against COVID or a negative PCR COVID test. The test results must be received no earlier than 3 days before and no later than the time at which you check in at the CiderCon registration desk.

One of these two things will be required to attend CiderCon 2022 and there will be no exceptions. There will be no refunds if you cannot prove that you are either fully vaccinated or provide proof of a negative PCR COVID Test.

Most chain pharmacies offer PCR tests (generally covered by insurance), but PCR test result turnaround varies widely. Make sure you inquire on turnaround when you are scheduling your test. We will be putting together more information on where you can get tested, including PCR by mail tests and possibly onsite testing. Antigen test results will not be accepted for entry.

At this time, the Greater Richmond Convention Center is requiring all staff to wear masks. The Convention Center and CiderCon are referring to CDC guidelines for a safe gathering. We will be monitoring CDC guidelines throughout the winter.

The conference is working with Virginia Health Authority to develop our response plan should an attendee develop COVID symptoms while at CiderCon.

### Conference adaptations:

- Several of the tasting sessions will be in expansive rooms and will be labeled as “socially distanced.”
- The Cider Share welcome reception is being divided into two sessions, with featured cideries rotating off. We will be capping attendance of Cider Share to 200 per session. The room has the capacity for 600, and we will encourage social distancing.
- Instead of a grand tasting this year, we are working with Visit Richmond to identify opportunities to enjoy our wonderful host city and are curating CiderCon meetups for Friday night. We’re excited for the extra chance to network and explore our tremendous host city!

We have the right to adapt these policies and schedules as needed. It is attendee’s responsibility to check this site frequently for updates and changes leading up to the event. By registering for this meeting, you agree to follow these guidelines and hold CiderCon and the American Cider Association harmless should you contract COVID-19 at CiderCon 2022.

Closer to the date of the conference, we will follow up with more details on how to confirm either full vaccination or a negative PCR COVID test with results received no earlier than 3 days before you check in at registration.