

# Michigan Alpine Competition Council: 2022 Safety Procedures



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# COVID-19 Safety Procedures

Michigan Alpine Competition Council (MACC) understands the impact that ski racing has on each of our lives, and we want to provide a safe environment to race in. MACC's top priority is the safety, health, and well-being of our racers. Our goal is to provide the highest quality ski racing in the safest environment possible.

The MACC Board of Directors has created procedures and implemented changes to ensure the safest environment possible. The information below outlines those changes and procedures. We want to thank our racers and spectators for adhering to these procedures and maintaining a safe environment for everyone.

*Since information and mandates change, these procedures are not set for the length of our season and are subject to change. If changes are made, this document will be updated and the changes will be readily shared in our newsletter, through our social media accounts, and distributed through the Team Representatives.*

## General Procedures

As the season progresses, MACC and its racers will be required to adhere to any policies set forth by Boyne Mountain. If a specific policy is not set forth in this document, the default procedure will be the same as Boyne Mountain.

**Face Coverings:** Although not required by Boyne Mountain, face coverings are recommended and encouraged in public spaces, including in the Othmar.

**MACC will require face coverings in the start shacks and finish shacks.** Please follow best practices and wear a face covering whenever you are in other public spaces. All shared surfaces, including those in the registration office, timing shacks, and used for course operations will be wiped down with disinfectant wipes. Hand sanitizer will be provided in the Othmar and timing shacks.

Please follow the U.S. Centers for Disease Control guidance for protecting yourself and others (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>). Activities for protection include, but are not limited to: washing your hands often, avoiding close contact with others, keeping at least six feet of distance between yourself and people outside of your household, wearing a face covering around others, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue or the inside of your elbow, cleaning and disinfecting shared surfaces, and monitoring your daily health.

## Pre-Race Screening

Before joining us to race each weekend, we request that racers conduct a self-assessment. Please answer the following questions:

- 1.) Have you experienced any COVID symptoms in the last 14 days? Symptoms include cough, shortness of breath, fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste of smell, vomiting, nausea, and diarrhea.
- 2.) Have you had contact with persons displaying COVID symptoms in the last 14 days?
- 3.) Have you traveled out of country in the last 14 days?

If the answer to any of these questions is **yes**, we ask that you do not join us to race.

## Protocol for Positive Cases

- 1.) Close contacts MAY have to quarantine; follow health department guidance. "Close contact" is defined as someone who was within six feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period, starting from two days before illness onset.
- 2.) Notify all racers involved without identifying the person involved.
- 3.) Other racers at the event but NOT in close contact should be closely monitored for symptoms and may not need testing. Follow health department guidance.
- 4.) Clean the area.

# Buildings

## The Othmar Chalet (Occupancy Limit: None)

There are no restrictions to enter the Othmar Chalet for this season. Racers may resume using the Othmar as a warming hut. Although not required by Boyne Mountain, MACC recommends racers wear face coverings while in the Othmar Chalet.

Due to its small size, the registration office within the Othmar Chalet will be limited to the following individuals: Director of Registration, Registration Assistant, and Director of Computer and Results. We ask that racers leave the front table next to the bay window open for the other MACC Officers and Directors that need space in the Othmar: President, Director of Timing and Announcers, and Director of Course Operations.

## Gate Storage Shack (Occupancy Limit: Course Setters Only)

**Racers are not allowed inside the gate storage shack.** MACC's gates will continue to be stored at the top of the FIS slope. Course setters may use the center room of the shack to store their course setting equipment. Face coverings must be worn at all times inside of the gate storage shack.

## Start Shacks (Occupancy Limit: 2 Persons)

**Racers are not allowed inside the start shacks.** The only person allowed inside the start shack is the Inside Starter. Radio communication should be utilized to speak to the Inside Starter. If necessary, the Outside Starter, Chief of Course, or a MACC Officer or Director may enter the start shack to speak with the Inside Starter. Anyone in the start shack, including the Inside Starter, must wear a face covering and maintain social distancing. **No racers may enter the start shack for use as a warming hut.**

The equipment crew may occupy the start shack during set up and tear down. If two people occupy the start shack, face coverings must be worn, and social distancing must be maintained.

## Finish Shacks (Occupancy Limit: 3 Persons)

**Racers are not allowed inside the finish shacks.** During a race, the finish shack must only be occupied by the three-person timing crew. Radio communication should be utilized to speak with the timing crew. If necessary, the Chief of Course or a MACC Officer or Director may enter the finish shack to briefly speak with the timing crew. The timing crew and anyone entering the finish shack must always wear a face covering and maintain social distancing.

The equipment crew may occupy the finish shack during set up and tear down. If two or more people occupy the finish shack, face coverings must be worn.

# Procedural Changes

## Starting Procedures

Only one racer may be in the starting gate at a time (the starting gate is considered the covered outside area immediately adjacent to the inside area). Racers in the starting line should maintain social distancing.

Starters are responsible for wiping down shared surfaces with disinfectant wipes before and after each race. This includes, but is not limited to, radios, headsets, and writing utensils. Disinfectant wipes will be placed in the start shack backpack.

## Timing Procedures

Timers are responsible for wiping down shared surfaces with disinfectant wipes before and after each race. This includes, but is not limited to, timing equipment, computers and keyboards,

radios, headsets, and writing utensils. Disinfectant wipes will be placed in the finish shack backpack.

Timers, please contact the Director of Timing regarding specific timing updates for the 2022 season.

## Course Operation Procedures

Course operation workers are responsible for wiping down shared equipment before and after each work assignment. This includes, but is not limited to radios, clipboards, and writing utensils. Disinfectant wipes will be kept in the grey course operations radio bag. Additionally, all shared course operations equipment, including radios, will be sanitized every morning and evening.

Course Operation crew, please see contact the Director of Course Operations regarding specific Course Operations safety procedures for the 2022 season.

## Results

New race awards have been purchased for the 2022 season, and they will be distributed at the base of race hill like we did for the 2021 season. Awards will be held at 3pm near the bottom of FIS. We will utilize the loudspeaker from the FIS finish shack.

## Banquet

We plan to have a banquet on Boyne property on Saturday March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, however the specifics have not yet been determined.

## Refund Policy

Per MACC Rule 13.1.3, there will be no refunds, unless approved by the President and Treasurer.

# Frequently Asked Questions

## What is acceptable as a face covering?

A face covering must cover your nose and mouth. Cloth face covering should be made of tightly woven fabric. Winter neck gators are acceptable with two layers of materials, or folded over to make two layers, and cover both mouth and nose. In Boyne Mountain's 2021 Winter Operation Plan, they suggest keeping an extra face covering on you in case one is lost or you find your primary face covering freezing up and getting too uncomfortable.

## Where must I wear a face covering?

Boyne Mountain will not be requiring face coverings. However, MACC encourages all racers to wear face coverings when in public spaces.

MACC requires face coverings must be worn when you are inside the start shacks and finish sacks.

## Will there be any type of warming hut at the top or bottom of the hill?

The Othmar Chalet can be used as a warming hut. There are currently no use restrictions in the Othmar. Races may not use the start shacks or finish shacks as warming huts.

## Will tents be allowed at the race hill?

Tents with sides are permitted.

## Will I be able to sign up for a work assignment in the Othmar?

Yes, the Othmar Chalet will be open to racers who need to sign-up for a work assignment. However, MACC strongly encourages racers to sign up for their work assignment online (<http://maccracing.org/macc-jobs/index.php>).

## Will the Othmar Chalet be open to racers?

Yes, there are no restrictions in the Othmar Chalet. Racers may resume use of the Othmar as a warming hut.

## Can I guest race?

Yes, guest racing will resume for the 2022 season. You can register to race as a guest online at [maccracing.org](http://maccracing.org). If you have any questions, please email Ginnie Uhley, Director of Registration, at [uhley@oakland.edu](mailto:uhley@oakland.edu).

## External Links

For the latest information regarding COVID-19 please visit the following pages:

US Centers for Disease Control: [https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html?CDC\\_AA\\_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2Findex.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2Findex.html)

State of Michigan: <https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus>