

2022 COVID-19 Museum General Admission Terms and Conditions

This waiver addresses the COVID-19 pandemic. Please read it carefully.

In light of COVID-19, **The Children's Museum** is using our best efforts to act responsibly and reasonably to do what is within our power to prevent the spread of disease. Some of these precautions will be apparent to you, and may affect hours of operation, admission, exhibit availability, occupancy, and more. We summarize some of them below:

Mask Policy: Due to the changing recommendations from The CDC and the lifting of mask mandates within schools in Connecticut, The Children's Museum, Children's Museum Preschool and Roaring Brook Nature Center are adopting a mask optional policy, effective March 1, 2022. The Children's Museum group still **strongly recommends and encourages all students, visitors and employees to continue wearing masks** to support the highest level of safety, even with this new policy in place. The Children's Museum reserves the right to reinstate masking requirements at any time if the level of positive COVID test results within our employees or student population increases, or the risk of exposure to COVID transmission poses a high risk to our employees, our visitors and our continued business operations.

Hours of Operation: The hours of operation are as follows, subject to change; please see our website for latest updates: **Thursday & Friday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm; Saturday & Sunday 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.**

Timed Entry: Registering for timed tickets **PRIOR** to arrival at the Museum is **required**. Entry is available for the following time slots: Thursday/Friday 10:00 am or 12:00 pm and Saturday/Sunday 9:30 am, 12:00 pm or 2:00 pm.

Admission: Admission cost is \$15.00 for Adults, Seniors, and all children ages 2 and older. **Children under 2 years of age ("tots") are free, but still must be counted amongst the number of individuals visiting.** Museum members are encouraged to reserve their tickets online for all individuals in their party (Adults, Children, Tots, guests). Membership discounts will be deducted at checkout, where applicable. *Members will need to register and/or sign-in to receive their discount.*

Exhibits: In order to keep our guests and staff safe while in the Museum we have reconfigured exhibit spaces and classrooms so that all publicly accessible areas are on the main level and outdoors. We have reserved our lower levels for our Vacation Science Camps and other programming. We have created a flow through the museum that allows guests to enjoy the exhibits and encourages social distancing. We maintain the right to limit occupancy of each exhibit area and other spaces throughout the museum. To maximize the safety and health of our employees, animal demonstrations and other hands-on activities that require close contact may be limited.

Occupancy: In accordance with Museum guidelines and to ensure an enjoyable visit by all of our guests, we have limited museum occupancy in each timed entry slot. Tickets for each timed session are finite and we have the right to refuse "walk-up" or "at door" purchases of tickets.

Illness or Exposure to illness: **By signing this waiver, you are certifying that you, and those in your party, are free of illness or symptoms (including but not limited to fever, sore throat, cough, runny nose, upset stomach) and have had no known exposure to COVID in the last 10 days.** Please stay home if you or anyone in your party is sick, or if you have been exposed to others who are sick. In the event of illness, you may call 860.231.2824 to reschedule your visit.

General health and safety measures: We require frequent hand-washing/sanitizing for all staff, and encourage guests to do the same. We will be enforcing social distancing and encouraging mask wearing, and have developed protocols for intensified cleaning and disinfection.

Acknowledgment and Release

The Children’s Museum has taken enhanced health and safety measures to protect our guests, staff and any others who come on site. We have described some of them above. We expect all guests and staff to comply with these measures. **The Children’s Museum staff have the right to ask visitors to leave premises if they refuse to comply with these guidelines.**

Despite our efforts, an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and or even death. The Children’s Museum has put in place measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, The Children’s Museum **cannot guarantee** that our guests and staff will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, visiting The Children’s Museum **could increase** the risk of contracting COVID-19.

By visiting The Children’s Museum, you acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19. You agree - on behalf of yourself and your guests/members of your group - to release and waive The Children’s Museum, including its officers, directors, agents, employees, volunteers, from any claims or causes of action arising out of or in any way related to your attendance at The Children’s Museum and the contraction by yourself, family member, or other person of COVID-19. **You also agree on behalf of yourself and those in your party to adhere to our health and safety measures, including but not limited to, maintaining distance from those not in your party.**

I have read the above Acknowledgment and Release. I agree to abide by these terms and conditions.

Signature of Ticket Purchaser

Name of Purchaser, please PRINT clearly

of Tickets

Date of Visitation

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: (optional) _____