

2022 Standard Operating Procedures and general convention guidelines

To all our prospective attendees, friends, and staff!

We've updated our guidelines for 2022 to help ensure the convention is safe and healthy for everyone, especially with COVID-19 and variant concerns still in place.

Firstly, Marriot Bonvoy hotels is currently not requiring masks to be worn by immunized guests in their hotels (such as in the restaurant or hallways). However, the Staff of iFC value both our and your safety and at this time we have opted to make IFC 2022 an entirely MASKED convention. Furthermore, this year we will be requiring all attendees to be FULLY IMMUNIZED. Boosters are suggested but not a requirement. Masks will be required to enter all convention spaces, visually confirmed by staff at each panel and room, and to be worn properly over the nose and chin. We are **not** aiming to provide a supply of masks for attendees. Please bring your own, we want to see your creative styles! Note, any attendees deciding to ignore this mask-wearing policy may be escorted out of convention space, so please do not ignore this!

Currently, we are aiming for a 75% capacity for all convention spaces--so that means that some of the popular attractions may have limits for who can attend. This will allow us to space everyone out in a safer manner, as well as have more room in the hallways to maintain the recommended 6-foot social distancing between attendees. As an additional warning, we will be limiting events that are usually very close-contact at the convention. If you regularly attend conventions for snuggling fursuiters or dancing with others, please consider before expecting the same activities this year. We will be encouraging social distancing in and out of the panels, as well as taking a pause on a few regular events in order to protect everyone this year.

For an easy bullet list of general policies we are requiring, take a look below:

- All panel rooms will be limited to a 75% capacity
- All panel rooms will be cleaned per current Marriott protocols
- All Staff and attendees will be required to wear masks at all times while in convention space – this must be a mask that covers the nose and mouth well such as double cloth mask or neck gaiter (or balaclava while fursuiting).
- Physical or electronic proof of vaccination will be required at time of badge pickup
- All Dealer tables/displays will be sanitized per dealer discretion

- Attendees must show proof of vaccination (2 doses of Moderna, 2 doses of Pfizer, or 1 dose of J&J covid vaccine – must be done at least 2 weeks prior to arrival at Indyfurcon – attendees who received alternate covid vaccines may email registration@indyfurcon.com to confirm)
- Hand Sanitizer will be present in multiple areas throughout con space
- Credit card terminals and cashier stations will be sanitized regularly
- Self-serve condiments will be removed, and single-serving packaging may be available in related areas.

We are keeping our eyes on local ordinances, COVID trends, and CDC recommendations. We are HOPEFUL to loosen some of these restrictions as we get closer to the convention, but plan on these being in place for our and your safety. Watch the website, @indyfurcon on twitter or <https://t.me/+XrT0mY26oNZiYzJh> for announcements via Telegram

Be safe and stay well!
—Indy Fur Con