



## ILGA World Conference, May 2022 Covid 19 - Safer Conference Practices

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ILGA World and local host organisation the It Gets Better Project (IGBP) are working hard to reduce the risks of Covid-19 at the ILGA World conference and make it safer for everybody.

The conference will follow relevant US Covid-19 health regulations at the time of the conference, including those of the City of Long Beach<sup>1</sup>, LA County<sup>2</sup>, California<sup>3</sup>, and federal level<sup>4</sup>. **Regulations are changing frequently, and this protocol will be updated as time progresses.** ILGA World will also take measures additional to government requirements to further safeguard.

In order to attend the conference, you must comply with this Covid-19 policy and all instructions and procedures communicated prior to or at the conference, **even if you have been fully vaccinated against Covid-19.**

As of the date of this version of the protocol, the safe conference practices are:

### Vaccination

Everyone must present proof of vaccination and photo ID before entering the conference.

### Testing

Everyone must “self-test” using a test kit provided by ILGA World before entering the conference and share their result with conference personnel. Anybody testing

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.longbeach.gov/health/diseases-and-condition/information-on/coronavirus/covid-19-orders/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/index.htm>

<sup>3</sup> <https://Covid-19.ca.gov/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

positive must not attend the conference. ILGA World will potentially also ask all attendees to self-test again at least one more time during the conference.

### Capped number of attendees

Physical participation at the conference will be capped by ILGA World at [600] persons.

### Persons who may have been exposed to Covid-19

You must not attend the conference if you are symptomatic or have had a positive test within the past 10 days, or have been in close contact with a Covid-19 positive person within the past 10 days.

### Masks

Masks to be worn indoors unless actively eating or drinking<sup>5</sup>. Masks must be worn properly, covering the nose and mouth. Occasionally key speakers will be permitted to remove their mask to address the room, and some persons may not wear masks for health or hearing impairment reasons. These persons will be notified separately.

### Physical contact

Check with others if they feel comfortable before initiating any physical contact.

### Washing hands

Wash and sanitise your hands as often as possible.

### Coughing or sneezing

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<sup>5</sup> If you have a medical or hearing reason why you cannot wear a mask, please contact ILGA World at least one week before the conference for instructions.

When coughing or sneezing, please use a paper tissue/handkerchief or the crook of your arm.

### Shouting, whistling and singing

Please don't shout, whistle, or sing indoors. Some musical performers may be exempt from this requirement. These persons will be notified if this is the case.

### Keeping the room clean

Each room will have hand sanitizer and anti-bacterial wipes available.

### Breaching this protocol

Anybody not complying with this protocol inside the venue will be politely reminded of it by staff. Persons who repeatedly breach this protocol will be asked to leave the conference.

### Liability

Notwithstanding all that will be done to reduce risk, Covid-19 has created inherent risks associated with being in public places or in proximity to others including contracting Covid-19, serious illness, death and transmission of Covid-19.

By attending the conference, you are voluntarily assuming any and all health or safety risks of the conference, and you agree to waive any legal claims against ILGA World, IGBP and their service providers for the conference arising from your attendance to the fullest extent permitted under the law.