

Deshka Landing Charters & Lodge

COVID-19 Info



To our valued clients,

Jim and I hope you, your families and your employees are staying safe and healthy during this unprecedented time. We have been in contact with most, if not all of you, recently via phone and/or email. Through these conversations regarding the ever-changing effects of COVID19, I continue to be inspired by the positivism and creativity I have witnessed. I am amazed at how families and businesses have adapted their routines and practices internally and reached out in their communities to help others. Jim and I wanted to post some of the ways that we are responding to recent events here at the lodge. We are working hard to stay on top of communication from our local, state and federal leaders in relation to COVID-19 guidelines. Below I have summarized the info so each of you will know what to expect when you arrive for your amazing experience in Alaska. I have also included links for those who are interested in the additional details. You can call us at the lodge (907) 495-5873 or email:

Jim@Deshka.com with any additional questions.

Alaska Governor, Mike Dunleavy has put in place a "Reopen Alaska Responsibly" Plan. The three main components to the plan are: 1)Practice Good Hygiene, 2)Practice Social Distancing, and 3)Stay Home If You Are Sick. Those of you who have stayed with us in the past know hygiene/cleanliness is a priority for us in the cabins, in the lodge, on the property and on the boats. Many of the new guidelines are safe practices we already engage in.

In addition to our current practices, the following precautions have been put in place on the property in compliance with the Reopen Alaska Responsibly Phase 1 Health Mandate for **LODGING**:

<https://gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/0425-COVID-MANDATE-016-Attachment-L-Lodging-and-Overnight-Camping.pdf>

*Additional staff training related to COVID-19 including a COVID-19 Mitigation Plan to protect staff and the clients.

*Face coverings worn by all staff

*Signage at the entry to the lodge will remind guests that households (a booking of guests) should maintain 6 feet between other households on the property.

*Each cabin has its own hand sanitizing dispenser and disinfecting wipes

*We have implemented hourly touch-point sanitization (ex. doorknobs, restrooms, seating areas)

*In addition to already following the CDC protocols for cleaning and disinfecting, when possible, we have scheduled a 30-hour gap between occupation of our cabins.

In addition to our current practices, the following precautions have been put in place on the property in compliance with the Reopen Alaska Responsibly Phase 1 Health Mandate for **DINING-IN SERVICES**:

<https://gov.alaska.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/0425-COVID-MANDATE-016-Attachment-F-Restaurants-Dine-In-Services.pdf>

*Additional staff training related to COVID-19 including a COVID-19 Mitigation Plan to protect staff and the clients.

*Face coverings worn by all staff.

*To minimize contact between staff and guests, staff will no longer dine with guests.

*To minimize contact between households (a booking of guests), each household will dine at their own table. This may be inside or outside seating as circumstances dictate.

*To minimize contact between households, each dining table will be placed 10 feet away from another dining table.

*In addition to already sanitizing tables, chairs will also now be sanitized between meal usage.

*We have implemented hourly touch-point sanitization (ex. doorknobs, restrooms, seating areas)

*A hand sanitizing dispenser has been placed over by the coffee/snack station in the lodge.

In addition to our current practices, the following precautions have been put in place on the boats in compliance with the Reopen Alaska Responsibly Phase 1 Health Mandate for **FISHING CHARTERS**:

*Additional staff training related to COVID-19 including a COVID_19 Mitigation Plan to protect staff and the clients.

*Face Coverings worn by all staff.

*Face Coverings will be worn by passengers while on the boat. We will provide sanitized, reusable fleece face masks. We have three sizes to assure a comfortable fit. You can find additional info on the provided masks at:

<https://pedalindustries.com/collections/face-masks/products/black-fleece-face-mask> The masks will be cleaned daily following the protocols established in accordance with Health Alert 010. To read this go to:

http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/SiteAssets/Pages/HumanCoV/SOA_04032020_HealthAlert010_ClothFaceCoverings.pdf

You are welcome to wear your own mask if it meets the recommendations contained in Health Alert 010 (link above/)

*A hand sanitizing dispenser is mounted at the gear shack.

*Client food & drink will be stored separate from guide food & drink.

*Signage on the vessels will remind those with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 that they may not enter the vessel.

*Disinfectant, soap & paper towels are now on every vessel in addition to our regular supply of hand sanitizer.

As local, state and federal guidelines are updated we will post changes to the COVID-19 link on our website: Deshka.com
Stay healthy & Safe! With best wishes for a great adventure this summer, Jim & Rhe