



**TRAPS Maintenance Rodeo
Covid-19 & Variants Safety Guidelines**

Overall Event:

Event coordinators will stay updated on current state and local regulations to ensure the event meets those minimum standards. For the rodeo events, we will use the [Open Texas](#) website information and checklists:

[Open Texas](#)

[Adult Recreation Participants](#)

[Adult Recreation Operators](#)

[Parks](#)

Event Set-Up:

- Check-in will include all Open Texas screening requirements.
- Handwashing or hand sanitizing stations provided near each event and food area.
- Each event area, food service area, and check-in area will have trash cans, cleaning/sanitizing supplies, and disposable masks and gloves.
- If possible, each event area will be sectioned off and only current event participants, judges, and staff should enter the area. Try to use staging areas for participants on deck.
- If possible, use a rotation of equipment to allow time for sanitation while keeping the event moving quickly. With this option equipment will be identical. Backpack blower, nail driving, zero turn, and irrigation are best suited for this option.
- When multiple stations are not an option, time between competitors will allow for disinfectants to work according to product instructions.
- Event coordinators will try to create a participant schedule prior to event day. Some participants may compete in two events and schedules should remain flexible.
- Plant Identification rooms will be set up to allow proper social distancing which could mean limiting the number of participants at each time slot.

Breakfast and Lunch Service:

- Meals will be served individually packaged or served by an attendant if it is buffet style.
- Participants will wear masks while in line for food service.
- Tables will be set up 6' apart and have spaced seating with preference that each team sits with only participants from their city.

Participation/Judging:

- Participants/Judges/Staff will wear a mask while competing in events, while waiting in lines, and when participants aren't able to social distance during the event.
- Disposable gloves will be available at each station.
- All event equipment/spaces will be sanitized between each participant.
- Truck & Trailer competition will be completed with all windows down, and air conditioner/ heater off.
- Equipment will only be fueled by judges or designated staff.
- Plant Identification: plants will not be touched or sanitized.
- Judges will keep their own clipboard with scoresheets/judging supplies throughout the entire event. The head organizer/POPS chair will collect scoresheets for official results announcements.
- Judging equipment/supplies will be sanitized by judges before returning it to the event organizers.
- Nail Driving: Each participant should bring their own face shield, but shields will be available if needed.