

Excerpts from California Department of Public Health (CDPH) guidance on masking

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Guidance for Individuals

Masks are not required for fully vaccinated individuals, except in the following settings where masks are required for everyone, regardless of vaccination status:

- On [public transit\[1\]](#) (examples: airplanes, ships, ferries, trains, subways, buses, taxis, and ride-shares) and in transportation hubs (examples: airport, bus terminal, marina, train station, seaport or other port, subway station, or any other area that provides transportation)
- Indoors in [K-12 schools\[2\]](#), [childcare\[3\]](#) and other youth settings.
 - Note: This may change as updated K-12 schools guidance is forthcoming, pending updates for K-12 operational guidance from the CDC.
- [Healthcare settings\[4\]](#) (including [long term care facilities\[5\]](#))
- State and local [correctional facilities and detention centers\[6\]](#)
- [Homeless shelters\[7\]](#), [emergency shelters\[8\]](#) and [cooling centers\[9\]](#)

Additionally, masks are required** for unvaccinated individuals in indoor public settings and businesses (examples: retail, restaurants, theaters, family entertainment centers, meetings, state and local government offices serving the public).

For additional information, individuals should refer to [CDC Recommendations for Safer Activities](#) (see CDPH Masking Guidance Frequently Asked Questions for more information).

****Guidance for Businesses, Venue Operators or Hosts**

In settings where masks are required only for unvaccinated individuals, businesses, venue operators or hosts may choose to:

- Provide information to all patrons, guests and attendees regarding vaccination requirements and allow vaccinated individuals to self-attest that they are in compliance prior to entry.
- Implement vaccine verification to determine whether individuals are required to wear a mask.
- Require all patrons to wear masks.

No person can be prevented from wearing a mask as a condition of participation in an activity or entry into a business.