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## Village of Taos Ski Valley

### Office of the Mayor

# EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-4 FOR SAFETY MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 DURING THE 2020-2021 SKI SEASON

WHEREAS, Taos Ski Valley is an economic engine with a world class destination ski resort which attracts thousands of visitors from all over the United States and the world and is vital to the Taos County community, as well as the economy of the State of New Mexico;

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that Taos Ski Valley, Inc. (TSVI) and other local businesses will hire hundreds of employees to serve visitors to the Village during the 2020-2021 ski season;

WHEREAS, the Village will have thousands of in-state and out-of-state visitors during the upcoming ski season and must ensure a unified effort by local businesses to minimize the spread of the novel Corona Virus (COVID-19);

**WHEREAS**, the Village must take all necessary precautions to protect employees, guests, residents, families, and the general public. The local Taos County hospital is small and not equipped to handle a major outbreak of the virus;

WHEREAS, the Village, TSVI, local businesses, and the Village Chamber are working collaboratively to minimize the risk of an outbreak of COVID-19, which has included the adoption of and standards for COVID-19 screening and regular monitoring by local businesses to ensure that employees are COVID-free;

WHEREAS, the Village also wishes to ensure that local businesses comply with the State mandated health orders related to COVID-19, as well as New Mexico Department of Health COVID Best Practices;

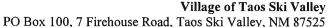
THEREFORE, I CHRISTOF BROWNELL, THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF TAOS SKI VALLEY, NEW MEXICO, DO HEREBY ORDER, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL, THAT ALL BUSINESSES WITHIN THE VILLAGE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING ORDERS EFFECTIVE TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 2020, TO REMAIN IN EFFECT THROUGHOUT THE TAOS SKI VALLEY 2020- 2021 SKI SEASON:

- 1. All businesses, including, but not limited to, restaurants, bars, lodging facilities and short-term rentals, located within the Village of Taos Ski Valley, are required to become "New Mexico Safe Certified" (as defined by the New Mexico Department of Health) no later than November 15, 2020, and shall provide the Village of Taos Ski Valley with proof of such Certification.
- 2. All businesses, including, but not limited to, contractors, restaurants, bars, lodging facilities, resort facilities and short-term rentals, shall COVID 19 screen their employees daily with questionnaires. (Exhibit A). The Village requires that such screening will also include regular random surveillance COVID-19 testing of 15% of total Village-wide employee pool (subject to change based on NM State Epidemiologist guidelines) every two weeks, as well as requirements that employees take a COVID 19 test within a week of commencing their employment and provide a negative test result before starting work for the 2020/2021 ski season.
- 3. All businesses that provide lodging, including short-term rentals, shall ensure that their guests and tenants are educated about the New Mexico Department of Health Order which includes but not limited to; social distancing, mandatory masks, quarantine regulations and minimizing the size of social gatherings. In addition, all businesses are required to implement appropriate screening measures for their guests and to notify them in advance. (Exhibit B)
- 4. All businesses shall engage in New Mexico Department of Health COVID Best Practices, to ensure COVID-safe measures, as such, these are implemented through collaboration of the Village of Taos Ski Valley, Taos Ski Valley, Inc., local businesses, and the Village Chamber, to include training and pledge to follow the <u>Taos Ski Valley COVID Safe Pledge</u>. (Exhibit C)
- 5. As set forth in the Village's previous Resolutions and Emergency Orders, all businesses shall continue to fully comply with COVID related orders, laws and regulations issued by the State of New Mexico, the Governor, and the New Mexico Department of Health.

THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE AS ADOPTED ON THIS 24th OF NOVEMBER 2020.

Christof Brownell, Mayor

Attest: Ann Marie Wooldridge, Village Clerk



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(Exhibit A) November 24, 2020

### **SCREENING QUESTIONS FOR EMPLOYEES**

- Will you be on-site at Taos Ski Valley today? (If answer is no, screening is complete)
- Have you experienced any new or unexpected cough, shortness of breath, sore throat?
- Have you lost your sense of taste or smell in the last week?
- Do you have any new or unexpected fatigue?
- 5. Have you felt feverish, experienced chills, or had a temperature of 100.4 or above?
- Have you had any new or unexpected muscle aches, vomiting, or diarrhea?
- 7. Have you had any exposure to a known COVID positive person in the last 2 weeks?
- 8. If you have been out of state, have you followed New Mexico's Travel Restrictions?



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(Exhibit B) November 24, 2020

### SCREENING QUESTIONS FOR GUESTS

- 1. Have you experienced any new or unexpected cough, shortness of breath, sore throat?
- 2. Have you lost your sense of taste or smell in the last week?
- 3. Do you have any new or unexpected fatigue?
- 4. Have you felt feverish, experienced chills, or had a temperature of 100.4 or above?
- 5. Have you had any new or unexpected muscle aches, vomiting, or diarrhea?
- 6. Have you been in close physical contact with a person who tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 14 days?
- 7. Are you isolating or quarantining because you are worried that you may be sick with COVID-19?



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The Taos Ski Valley COVID-Safe Pledge
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-	promise to:
•	Comply with current New Mexico Public Health Orders at work and away
•	Comply with employers' COVID testing requests and complete all assigned COVID safety training
•	Be screened every day before starting work or entering Village businesses
•	Properly wear my face covering whenever I am in public, both indoor and outdoor
•	Keep six-feet of distance with others whenever possible
•	Adhere to cleaning and hygiene standards, at all times. Wash my hands frequently.
•	Stay home if I am ill or having any COVID symptoms
•	Behave responsibly outside of work to avoid any exposure and possible spread of COVID
•	Avoid events and locations like bars, parties, and larger public gatherings & super-spreader events
•	Focus on my personal responsibility to reduce the spread of viruses and manage my wellness (both physical and mental) so that others may live through these unprecedented times
	Be understanding and ready for change, so I can be relied on during this winter season.
Signed	
Date:	