



**PACIFIC CATALYST II, INC.**  
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# **Covid-19 Mitigation Plan**

## **For Catalyst and Westward in Alaskan Waters**

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## **Introduction**

In light of concerns regarding COVID-19, we are informing our guests and partners of measures we have taken to keep everyone safe.

First and foremost, we want to assure everyone that our policies and procedures, including hygiene, have always put our guest's safety and well-being first.

This plan is based on the Alaska Tourism Industry Association and Passenger Vessel Association guidelines, as well as State of Alaska Health mandates.

## **Traveling to Alaska**

[Health Advisory No. 2](#): International and Interstate Travel, provides clear guidance for travelers entering Alaska to mitigate the transmission and control the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Travelers may be required to fill out a declaration form at the [Alaska Travel Portal](#).

It is assumed by Pacific Catalyst II, Inc that all guests will be fully vaccinated before boarding their vessel. If this is not the case, please contact our office to discuss options and alternatives. All crew members are fully vaccinated.

Crew and guests will be asked to adhere to travel specific advisories, guidance and mandates as issued by the State of Alaska and local Municipalities. Guests and crew who exhibit Covid-19 symptoms will not be allowed aboard and must instead seek medical care.

## **Turning Around our Vessels**

In between each departure, our vessels will be thoroughly cleaned and sanitized.

## **Provisioning**

No more than two crew will go into town to purchase supplies. They will adhere to the locally established health mandates.

## **Aboard our Vessels**

The following precautions will be observed to the greatest extent possible:

### General

- Hand sanitizer will be available in common areas (salon, dining areas, beverage station, in each stateroom, crew quarters, top and bottom of ladders)
- Masks are available for those who did not bring their own
- Guests will use only the private heads in their staterooms, or if in Staterooms 4 and/or 5 (on Catalyst), the lower spaces shared head will become for their use alone. Crew will use the head in crew's quarters. On Catalyst, the interior door for the main deck head will be secured. Only crew can access this head using the exterior door.
- Practice proper coughing/sneezing etiquette (into a tissue or the elbow)
- Wash or sanitize hands frequently

### Food and Health Safety Protocols include:

- Authorized staff wash all dishes using health safe protocols (triple sink method)
- Crew will clean and sanitize all guest mugs & travel cups at the end of each day
- Boats are thoroughly cleaned and sanitized between each trip
- All high-touch surfaces are sanitized several times each day
- General personal and food safety will be addressed in the orientation.
- No shared bowls or utensils
- Handwashing before and after meals

- Boat is equipped with: Temporal Thermometer, O2 sensor, full first aid kit, AED, Back-board, cervical collar, crutches.
- All crew members will hold current CPR/First Aide Certifications, and at least 1 will be a certified Wilderness First Responder.

### Activities

- Kayaks are assigned to guests for the duration of the trip

### **Illness**

Should a guest or crew develop two or more symptoms consistent with Covid-19, we will

- Quarantine the guest **and cabin mate** in their cabin immediately
- Quarantine the crew member in their bunk
- Terminate the cruise and head for the arrival port immediately
- Notify Coast Guard of the [hazardous condition](#)
- Notify Harbor Master of the hazardous condition
- Upon arrival test all guests and crew and quarantine, if required

### **Departures**

Upon arrival at the destination harbor guests will hire transportation directly to the airport, unless they have made additional travel arrangements within Alaska.

### **Insurance:**

Guests are advised to purchase International Medical Insurance, including evacuation coverage.

### **Links and References**

[CDC Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(Covid-19\)](#): Current public health and safety information on COVID-19

[Coronavirus.gov](#): Public information provided by the U.S. government related to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

[Passenger Vessel Association](#): Covid-19 Response and Resources, Reopening Plan Guidelines

[Alaska Tourism Industry Association](#): Covid-19 Mitigation Protocols

[State of Alaska Health Advisories](#)

[State of Alaska Mandatory Declaration Form](#)

[State of Alaska Covid-19 Site](#): Official Information

[State of Alaska Covid-19 Site: Traveler Information](#)

[Coast Guard](#): Hazardous condition reporting

[SARS-CoV2 PCR Testing Planning](#): Alaska leave the virus home!

[Covid-19 Traveler Checklist](#)