Statement of Allowable Uses and Conditions of Use of SDC Outdoor Property During Covid 19

The Ad Hoc Committee on Re-opening SDC has, at the request of the SDC Board, developed protocols that will allow groups to use the outside space for meetings while indoor activities continue to present challenges in terms of health and safety. The outdoor use of the grounds is intended to allow groups that are able to follow the guidelines proposed, including designation of an event coordinator, scheduling, use of bathrooms, and other procedures. The specific guidelines are provided below. See also related documents: Role and Responsibilities of Event Coordinator for Use of SDC Outdoor Property; and "Bathroom Protocol" During Outdoor-only Activities"

Eligibility/Scheduling

- Outdoor events may be scheduled only by groups that have previously met in the SDC, and are sponsored by one of the sanghas or by SDC
- Outdoor events must be scheduled at least three (3) days in advance of the activity, using the SDC online scheduling form
- Only one event may be held on the property each day. Please consult the scheduling calendar to ensure that no other group is scheduled to meet on that day.
- Sanghas may require pre or same day registration for any event.

Event Coordinator

 All activities held outdoors must name an event coordinator who will be responsible for scheduling, use of property, cleaning, etc (see Role and Responsibilities of Event Coordinator for Use of SDC Outdoor Property.)

Participants

- Participants must not attend outdoor events if in the past seven (7) days they have experienced fever, chills, body aches or cough, or have had contact with someone who had a positive result from a Covid-19 test.
- All participants at activities held outdoors must be fully masked at all times, and participants must maintain a physical distance of at least six feet from all other participants.
- The Event Coordinator should obtain names and contact information for all participants, for contact tracing in the event of a case of Covid diagnosed in a participant subsequent to the activity. The coordinator may maintain the list confidentially.

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On the Grounds

- Participants should be encouraged to bring their own chairs and/or cushions; if using a cushion, consider putting a towel or small blanket underneath. The SDC will have tarps suitable for use under cushions. The tarps must be used any time SDC cushions are used outside.
- With the agreement of the event coordinator, who will conduct the retrieval and putting away of chairs, the coordinator may remove one cart of chairs from the dharma hall and pull the cart outside of the south foyer. Only the folding chairs may be used outside.
- Except for use of the bathrooms, no one other than the designated coordinator should enter the building for any purpose.