AGA GUIDELINES FOR SAFE BOARD GAME PLAY

The safety and health of all go players is the paramount concern of the American Go Association. The COVID pandemic poses a unique and serious threat to us all: two people sitting across from each other for an hour in a closed room is exactly the circumstance in which COVID is most likely to spread. There’s also risk of transmission in non-enclosed spaces. Therefore the AGA strongly urges all chapters and go players to observe and prominently post the following guidelines, which will be updated as appropriate.

- **Stay home if you’re not feeling well:** All go players are urged to stay home if they have any symptoms that resemble those of Covid-19 or have been exposed to someone with COVID.

- **Wear masks:** All go players are required to be masked at all times. Non-compliance will result in expulsion from the event.

- **Use sanitizer and gloves as necessary:** Hand washing or sanitizing is provided and encouraged by AGA chapters. Avoid touching one’s face, particularly nose, eyes and mouth. Sanitize after you do.

- **Observe standard social distancing guidelines:** Spectators should observe normal social distancing practice. A brief look at a game is OK, but extended kibitzing in close proximity to the players is strongly discouraged.

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