

COVID 19 PROCEDURES

If you must go to the mall, go alone, when nobody else will be there, if possible.

- To do this you must contact Bert (bert@wavecable.com) to get on the Mall schedule <http://www.bnmrr.org/staffing.html>

There must be a 30 minute interval between the times when any two individuals have been in the room. Refer to the schedule on the website for a time slot, see above. Keep in mind of the individuals that sign up in the time slot before you, so you have an idea of how many people will be there and how many will be leaving

You must do everything possible to prevent contaminating the area.

Have you ever come into a room and realized that “Joe” was just here because you can still smell Joe’s deodorant? That is because we all leave an invisible “cloud” behind. That cloud potentially contains Covid-19.

Keep in Mind STAY 6 FEET apart and wear you’re MASK at all times

To decrease the danger, before you enter the mall:

- Wear a mask that you have not previously used during the preceding 48 hours. The mask is to prevent your exhaled breath from spraying out the water droplets that carry the virus. The mask must completely seal off around your mouth and nose. It must cover your nose! All too often I see people with the mask over their mouth, but not their nose.

If you have a beard or mustache this becomes much more difficult. The mask must make contact with bare skin all the way around. Where it does not it becomes much less effective.

- Put the mask on in the car and don’t take it off until you return to the car.
- After your mask is on wash your hands with a hand sanitizer that is at least 60% alcohol.
- Put on a fresh pair of latex or nitrile gloves. From this point on do not touch your head. One of the advantages of the mask and gloves is that they make us more “aware” of the times when we reach for our face. Remember, “Don’t touch your face.” (This step is optional for those that have allergies to latex)
- Carry your own sanitizing wipes. Have a zip-lock bag with you to use as a trash bag. (You will be using a lot of them.)
- When you get to the door wipe off the handle with a sanitary wipe.
- If you are the first one there or the only one there, wipe the lock box off with sanitizing wipe. Get the key from the lock box and unlock the door.
- Once you have unlocked the door, leave the door open and return the key to the lock box.
- Enter the room, place the “Room Occupied” sign on the outside of the entry door. This is if you arrive and the sign is not up.
- Turn on the lights and power to the layout.
- Do general housekeeping work in it needs it before attempting to run trains. (I.E. sanitize the layout controllers and the surfaces that people will touch, vacuum the area if it needs it).
- Once complete with housekeeping work. Wipe down the vacuum and stow it away.
- Time to run trains.

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KEEP IN MIND, YOU WILL BE USING ONE WIPE FOR EVERYTIME YOU WIPE SOMETHING OFF?

Do not reuse any of the wipes.

Use only your own tools. Do not handle anyone else's tools. (If you have tools there or you brought your own)

If you must use one of the control cabs, start by wiping it off with a sanitary wipe. Then put it into a zip-lock bag (there will be some provided there, close the bag). When you take the cab out of the bag carefully wipe it off with a sanitary wipe.

- If you bring your trains with you, that is great. If you have left your train items in the mall, wipe each item down with a sanitary wipe before use.
- Before you touch anything wipe it down with a sanitary wipe. When you are done: wipe it down again.
- Carry a small plastic trash bag, a zip-lock bag would work well. Put all of your used wipes in that bag and take it with you when you leave.

When you leave:

- Wipe down, with a sanitizing wipe, anything you touched.(i.e. Throttle, DCC system)
- Turn off lights and power to layout.
- Wipe down the door handle.
- Put the "Occupied" sign back inside. If you are the last one there.
- Close the door and wipe off the outer door handle.
- When you get back to your car take off your mask and gloves, put the gloves in the trash bag and knot it closed, or otherwise seal it.
- Wash your hand with hand sanitizer.

When you get home:

- Put the trash bag in your trash.
- Put your mask in a paper bag for 48 hours.
- Put your clothes directly into the washing machine, wash with hot water.
- Take a shower.