



## COVID-19 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WAIVER

The Board of Directors are following guidelines set out by municipal, provincial and national public health agencies, and are guided by best practices and research provided by choral agencies such as Choral Canada and the American Choral Directors Association.

### Current Protocols:

- **As per current provincial regulations, all singers must have received one dose of vaccination by September 13, 2021, and a second dose by October 24, 2021. We will be checking vaccine passports to confirm vaccination.**
- Any participants experiencing cold or flu-like symptoms are asked to not participate in the choir's activities until they have received a negative Covid test, and to advise the President ([president@deltachoral.ca](mailto:president@deltachoral.ca)) of your condition.
- Sanitization stations will be available with wipes, limited disposable masks, and hand sanitizers;
- We will maintain physical distancing between singers during rehearsal. Seating arrangements will be staggered, and whenever possible, singers will not directly face each other.
- Until further notice, the use of masks will be required for the entire duration of each rehearsal.
- No sharing of water bottles, sheet music, pencils, or food will be permitted.
- We will endeavour to disinfect common surfaces at rehearsal and performance venues before and after singers' arrival and departure.

### Ongoing Adaptation:

Our protocols will continue to adapt in order to reflect changes in circumstances, including:

- Changes in the public health guidelines and recommendations;
- Changes to the number of COVID-19 infections in Greater Vancouver and/or the rate of increase of infections;
- Any incidence of COVID-19 exposure within the choir that we become aware of;
- Changes to risk tolerance of singers, board members, and/or staff that we become aware of; and
- New information on best practices for singing during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### COVID-19 exposure response plan:

- If a participant has a confirmed case of COVID-19, please notify the President. We will immediately seek guidance from public health authorities on the appropriate response and implement those recommendations, including notifying anyone who was at any rehearsals or performances who might have had risk of exposure.
- If a participant has been exposed to a confirmed COVID-19 case or has cold or flu-like symptoms, we ask that they notify the President. The participant is asked to provide written confirmation of a negative test result before attending rehearsal. If they were unknowingly exposed prior to a rehearsal, we will notify participants at that rehearsal, and follow public health guidance for next steps.



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### Acknowledgement of the Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly (but not exclusively) from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, provincial, and local governments and health agencies recommend social distancing and the wearing of cloth face coverings. Although the Delta Choral Society (“DCS”) has put in place preventative measures aimed at reducing the spread of COVID-19, DCS cannot and does not guarantee that singers will not become exposed to or infected with COVID-19.

By signing this Acknowledgement and Waiver below, and in consideration of the undersigned singer being permitted to participate in DCS events, rehearsals and performances, the undersigned singer:

1. acknowledges the contagious nature of COVID-19 and that it is impossible for DCS to completely prevent exposure to COVID-19 at DCS events, rehearsals and performances;
2. voluntarily assumes the risk that the singer may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 at a DCS event, rehearsal or performance, including all risk of personal injury, illness, disability, and/or death which may result from any such exposure;
3. releases and discharges DCS and its contracted employees, Board members, other singers, volunteers, audience members, program participants and their families (collectively the “DCS Family”) fully and completely from any claims, liability, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or related in any way to the undersigned singer being exposed to or contracting COVID-19, whether or not that exposure or the singer’s contraction of COVID-19 results from or is contributed to in any way by any action, omission, or negligence of DCS or any member of the DCS Family; and
4. agrees not to commence or pursue any claim or legal proceeding in respect of any of the claims, liability, damages, costs or expenses which have been or are intended to be released by the preceding paragraph against DCS, any member of the DCS Family or any third party who may have a claim for contribution or indemnity against DCS or a member of the DCS Family.

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Members Name (please print)

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Signature

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Date

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Name if signing for a minor (please print)