

TBS COVID-19 SAFETY GUIDELINES

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This is a "living document", to be reviewed at least monthly. This document may also be updated timely in light of other significant events, such as updates by federal, state or local public health experts and agencies.

1. **Vaccination Status:** Anyone entering the building must be fully vaccinated, including a booster, if eligible.
2. **Masks.** For optimal safety and comfort, masks worn properly - over the nose - are required for all individuals, regardless of age. N95 or KN95 masks are preferred. Cloth masks do not have a filter in them, so they are not recommended.
3. **Your Health.** All attendees should self-screen prior to attendance. Please use the hand sanitizer available at each entrance. Please **DO NOT ENTER** the building, if you are experiencing any symptoms: fever, new cough, shortness of breath, new loss of smell or taste, headache, sore throat. Anyone acquiring symptoms consistent with Covid-19 or testing positive for Covid-19 within 14 days after attending a synagogue activity is requested to promptly notify the synagogue President by calling the TBS Office at 203-288-7748 or by emailing President@tbshamden.com.
4. **Children.** Children may attend services, if vaccinated, if eligible, at the parents' discretion.
5. **Hebrew School.** For specific questions about Hebrew School, please contact the Principal at Hebrewschooltbs@gmail.com.
6. **Zoom.** All services will continue to be available on Zoom.
7. **Minyan.** Morning and Evening Minyan will take place in the Sanctuary.
8. **Shabbat Services.** Friday evening and Saturday morning services are open for attendance for up to 220 people.
9. **Seating.** There are sections for open seating and sections for social distancing.
10. **Honorees.** Individuals coming up for an Aliyah, should maintain a social distance from Torah reader and the Gabbai.
11. **Lobby.** Congregants and guests will not gather in the lobby following services.
12. **Food.** All food and drink service (Oneg and Kiddush) has been suspended until further notice.
13. **Meetings.** Board, committee, and other group meetings may be conducted indoors, consistent with the rules listed above, at the discretion of the individual leading the meeting. Additionally, a Facility Use Form shall be completed to identify if a meeting is in person or on Zoom.