

# HINDU TEMPLE SAFETY GUIDELINES

Please follow these Phase 3 guidelines, even if fully vaccinated.  
Thank you for keeping all of us safe.

Virtual services are the safest way to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

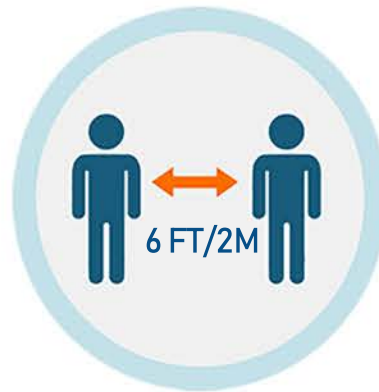
- If hosting in-person services:
- Outdoor is safer than indoors
  - Shorter services are safer than longer services
  - The fewer people, the safer
  - Improve ventilation and airflow when indoors\*
  - Assume that someone with COVID-19 is present
  - The more people vaccinated, the lower the risk



Wear face mask  
(all swamis, maharais,  
staff, and visitors)



Wash hands frequently  
with soap and water



Practice social  
distancing  
(stay at least 6 feet away)



Stay home if you have  
COVID-like symptoms  
or were exposed



Singing is high-risk and  
allowed with restrictions.  
Wear a mask while chanting.



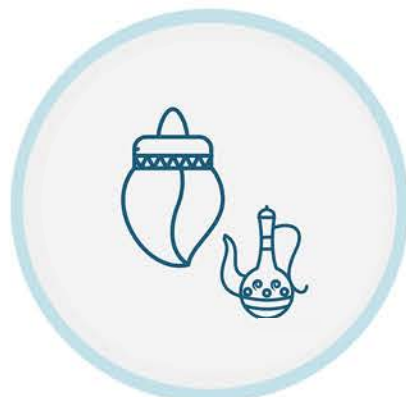
Avoid sharing food



Limit religious ceremonies  
held at private homes to  
10 or fewer people, plus staff.



Elderly 60+ should  
consider praying at home



Use extra care with shared ritual objects.  
**Blowing the conch is discouraged**, use a recording instead;  
avoid sharing holy water and offered flowers;  
prepare a new achaman cup; sanitize bells, cups and other items



Exit the temple  
right after services  
For full details, visit:

[kingcounty.gov/covid/faith](https://kingcounty.gov/covid/faith)