

OTE Social Distancing Event Footprint

In preparation for State and Provincial re-openings, **Over The Edge** has developed a detailed plan on the safe execution of OTE events should group gathering and social distancing restrictions remain in place. Our two main priorities are to adhere to State and Provincial guidelines and to keep our employees safe. This plan outlines what the “new” **Over The Edge** event will look like, with 10 people or less in one area of the event at a time.

Event flow / updates

It is important that only participants enter the building, and only enter at their registration time. No early arrivals. No family or friends can join participants at registration or any stage of the participant journey.

Upon entering registration, participants will be required to sanitize their hands with sanitizer provided. Masks and non-latex gloves will be provided if State/Provincial guidelines require them.

Should State/Provincial guidelines require 6’ distancing, floor markers will be placed 6’ apart at the entrance of the building, registration, holding areas, elevators, staging, training, and the edge. Participants will be guided from one location to the next. Each area will be limited depending on the size of the room.

OTE Staff and rope volunteers will come into as little contact with participants as possible but staying 6’ apart from participants is not possible for our staff to maintain participant safety.

WHATS NEW:

ENTRANCE: Area to hand sanitize and distribute masks and disposable gloves if required.

SIGNAGE: Additional signage will be placed at various locations throughout the participant route restricting access and reminding participants to not touch their face.

REGISTRATION: Limited number of participants and volunteers spaced 6’ apart. Temperature taken via contactless thermometer. Anyone over 99.9 will not be permitted to continue. This will be for staff, volunteers, and participants.

SANITATION: Pens, sharpies, thermometer will be sprayed or wiped down with anti-bacterial products after each use. Sanitizing product will have a minimum 60% alcohol content.

GUIDES: Will take participants from Registration to the elevators. Guide will press button but will not enter the elevator. Another guide will be waiting upstairs for the elevator to direct the participants to either a holding room or directly to Staging.

HOLDING AREA 1: Overflow room only used if Staging gets backed up.

OTE STAFF AND ROPE VOLUNTEERS: All OTE Staff and Rope Volunteers will always be wearing masks, gloves and/or shields no matter what the State/Provincial guidelines are.

STAGING: Guides will not enter Staging. A Rope Volunteer will meet participants at the door. Hand sanitizer and a pair of disposable gloves will be required upon entry. OTE Staff and volunteers will be close to participants and will have to touch them while securing gear.

HOLDING AREA 2: Overflow room only used if Training gets backed up.

TRAINING: Participants will be spaced 6' apart. Once training is complete, they will move to the "on-deck" floor markers to wait for their rappel. OTE Staff and volunteers will be close to participants and may have to touch them during training.

EXCLUSION ZONE: Rope Volunteers will need to help participants as they get closer to the ground and will be in contact with each participant.

PERSONAL ITEM PICK UP: NPO to have a volunteer beside the Exclusion Zone with the zip-loc bags of participants' droppable personal items. This will eliminate the need for them to return to Registration.

GEAR RETURN: Participants will quickly return all gear to Staging and a designated Rope Volunteer will disinfect the hard gear and place it back into rotation. Gear will not be mixed with cleaned gear, until it is disinfected to the best of our ability in a separate section of the staging room.

SANITATION: Registration, Staging, Training, the Main Rappel area, and the Exclusion Zone will have hand sanitizer and/or anti-bacterial wipes.

STAGING: ASAPs and helmets will be sprayed with anti-bacteria spray after each use. Radios will be wiped down with anti-bacterial wipes after each use before going back into rotation.

TRAINING: ASAPs will be sprayed or wiped down between each participant.

GROUND PARTY:

STATE DISTANCING RULES APPLY: Please follow your local guidelines for this area. Be on the lookout for our Tips and Resources document for ideas about a virtual ground party with pre-recorded package pieces and creating a text to donate feature.

We look forward to partnering with you and to ensure everyone's safety and well-being.