



Electric Operations Conference & Expo

January 12 – 14, 2022 ■ Kalahari Resort, Wisconsin Dells

COVID-19 HEALTH AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS

As the date of the Electric Operations Conference & Expo approaches, we are continually monitoring circumstances associated with the coronavirus pandemic. The success of the event includes a focus on the health, safety, and well-being of our attendees. As such, we are:

- Working closely with the Kalahari to ensure a hyper-focus on cleanliness, health, and safety;
- Complying with public health rules and regulations, as well as sharing local, state, and federal guidelines;
- Providing hand sanitizer in high-traffic areas — registration, meal and refreshment areas, and breakout rooms;
- Reminding attendees to screen for COVID-19 symptoms each day before attending conference events and to not attend if symptomatic;
- Instructing registrants in the days leading up to their travel to stay home if they have COVID-19 symptoms, and waiving cancellation fees as necessary;
- Training event staff to support a safe and healthy environment and follow COVID-19 protocols; and
- Making masks readily available to attendees.

As noted, we recommend all participants screen themselves daily for symptoms, which may appear two to 14 days after exposure to the virus. The following symptoms are outlined on the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website indicating an individual may have COVID-19:

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| ○ Fever or chills | ○ New loss of taste or smell |
| ○ Cough | ○ Sore throat |
| ○ Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing | ○ Congestion or runny nose |
| ○ Fatigue | ○ Nausea or vomiting |
| ○ Muscle or body aches | ○ Diarrhea |
| ○ Headache | |

Individuals who have these symptoms and are unwell should not attend the Electric Operations Conference & Expo.

Additionally, the CDC recommends the following actions to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19:

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If water is not available, use hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Practice physical distancing.
- Wear a mask when indoors.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home while sick and avoid close contact with others.
- Cover your mouth and nose with your elbow or a tissue when coughing or sneezing, and immediately dispose of the used tissue.

The CDC also advises to be vigilant about washing your hands or using hand sanitizer (if you don't have access to soap and water) at these key times:

- Before eating food
- Before and after removing gloves or other personal protective equipment (PPE)
- After using the toilet
- After contact with frequently touched surfaces (e.g., elevators, lobby areas, reception desks)
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After touching garbage

Physical Distancing: While we encourage attendees to maintain physical distance from others as much as possible, the event space set-up may not always allow individuals who wish to physically distance to do so comfortably, especially in the trade show space and breakout sessions.

To help attendees communicate their level of comfort in interacting with one another, we will provide a red ribbon to all onsite attendees who want to signal greetings by elbows and fist-bumps only. The ribbons will be available at the Registration Desk and should be tied to the attendee's lanyard for maximum visibility.

Masking: Consistent with CDC guidance, we encourage anyone who is not fully vaccinated to wear a mask in indoor public places. Even if you are fully vaccinated, wearing a well-fitted mask over your nose and mouth is advised to maximize protection and prevent possibly spreading COVID-19 to others. We ask that participants honor the requests of others to mask up and/or maintain physical distancing. Masks will be available at the Registration Desk for anyone who needs one.

Information from the Kalahari Resort about the wellness initiatives they are undertaking is [here](#).

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- Questions about these protocols should be directed to (414) 403-7411 or (608) 469-6009.