

## AVDC Candidate COVID Protocol for Phase II Exam

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Please note: Deferral of the Phase 2 Certifying Examination for the years 2020 and 2021 due to COVID restrictions and concerns will not count against the candidate's 3 attempts and 1 regular deferral for this portion of the exam.

### **Pre-exam:**

- Please quarantine yourself and practice responsible social distancing and mask wearing as much as possible for the week leading up to travel for the exam.
- Optional: negative COVID test 3 days prior to travel.
- While travelling, please comply with all CDC recommendations about mask wearing.

### **During the Exam:**

- Hotel: Candidates should not share hotel rooms with other candidates.
- Candidates must wear masks at all times while in the Oquendo center. The only exception is for eating/drinking. Appropriate spaces with social distancing will be designated for these activities. Candidates must comply with Oquendo's COVID protocols at all times.
  - KN-95 or N-95 masks are required. Candidates are responsible for providing their own masks. Masks are required to completely cover the candidates mouth and nose.
  - Please practice ahead of the exam with these masks and loupes to ensure that all fogging issues are worked out prior to the exam.
  - Removal of masks due to fogging is not acceptable.
  - Temperatures will be obtained daily. **If a candidate's temperature is above 100.4 F, they will not be permitted to take the exam during that session.**
- Candidates are required to maintain social distancing from other candidates, proctors, industry representatives, exam committee members, and Oquendo staff during their time at the Oquendo Center.
- If a candidate develops symptoms of COVID during the examination or while in Las Vegas, they are required to inform the Exam Committee. The candidate will need to stop the examination process, and the remainder of the exam will be considered incomplete. If a candidate is unable to complete the exam due to COVID symptoms, the examination attempt will not be counted as one of the three standard attempts. Candidates will be given access to their materials to pack up after the other candidates are no longer in the exam room.
- Candidates will need to comply with all illness related airline travel requirements.

\*\* Failure to comply with any of the above guidelines will result in the candidate's immediate removal from the Oquendo Center, forfeiture of exam fees, and inability to sit the remainder of the Phase 2 2021 exam.\*\*

### **After the Exam:**

In the event that a candidate develops symptoms consistent with COVID within a week after the exam, they are required to inform the AVDC immediately by contacting Mr. Chris Daniels.