



GUIDANCE FOR INDIVIDUAL CLEANUPS

Cleanups are an opportunity to beautify your community and spend time outdoors. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Keep Austin Beautiful reminds Austinites to stay safe when choosing to go outside and clean their communities.

When picking up litter, Keep Austin Beautiful recommends participants to do so responsibly and at their comfort level.

Keep Austin Beautiful strongly encourages following the Austin Public Health's COVID-19 Risk-Based Chart (APPENDIX 1) to ensure the safety of all participants **by wearing a face mask and disposable gloves, using a litter grabber, and maintaining at least 6 feet of distance from other participants and passersby.**

When you are finished collecting litter, please make sure your trash bag is securely tied to protect sanitation workers. Immediately wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer after collecting litter. Please remove your single-use face masks and disposable gloves properly and place them in the waste bin.

Removing and Disposing of Needles at your Cleanup

Needles should not be touched with bare hands and only picked up with a trash grabber. Never throw needles loosely into the trash without them being placed into a sharps container. Put used needles into the portable sharps container, lock it, and throw it away!

Put the sharps container into the trash - don't recycle or compost!

Please note in your cleanup report form the number of needles found at your cleanup site. To fill out a report form, visit [keepaustinbeautiful.org/report-form](https://www.KeepAustinBeautiful.org/report-form)



APPENDIX 1

COVID-19 Risk-Based Chart - Vaccine Edition

** Please continue following additional requirements of local businesses, venues and schools regardless of vaccination status or stage.

	Private Gatherings**				Travel**		Dining/ Shopping**	
	Indoor		Outdoor		Vaccinated	Partially/ Unvaccinated	Vaccinated	Partially/ Unvaccinated
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Stage 1								
Stage 2								
Stage 3		 <small>If high risk, avoid unless essential</small>		 <small>If high risk, avoid unless essential</small>		 <small>If high risk, avoid unless essential</small>		 <small>If high risk, avoid unless essential</small>
Stage 4						<small>Only if essential</small>		<small>Only if essential</small>
Stage 5								<small>Only if essential</small>

* The exact hospitalization average trigger will depend on the rate of increase. A faster increase in the daily average will trigger stage 5 risk recommendations when the number reaches the lower end of this range.



Mask optional, continue washing hands and other hygiene precautions



Not recommended at all, with or without masks



Take prevention measures: wear a mask, wash your hands and social distance following CDC guidelines



[AustinTexas.gov/COVID19](https://austintexas.gov/COVID19)

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How to Remove Single Use Gloves



1 Grasp the outside of one glove at the wrist. Do not touch your bare skin.



2 Peel the glove away from your body, pulling it inside out.



3 Hold the glove you just removed in your gloved hand.



4 Peel off the second glove by putting your fingers inside the glove at the top of your wrist.



5 Turn the second glove inside out while pulling it away from your body, leaving the first glove inside the second.



6 Dispose of the gloves safely. Do not reuse the gloves.



7 Clean your hands immediately after removing gloves.

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