## **COVID-19 ADVISORY**

The Colorado Mycological Society takes science seriously. The current worldwide Coronavirus pandemic ("COVID-19") is having an unprecedented impact on the world. Due to the novel nature of the disease, information related to COVID-19 is continuously developing and conditions are rapidly changing. The response to COVID-19 from federal, state, and local government can impact you. Because of the current reality, the CMS is using the best information available to provide guidelines that are meant to enhance security and provide the safest atmosphere for our members.

Based on the Center for Disease Control's ("CDC's") guidelines, COVID-19 can be spread through both person-to-person contact, through airborne particulates, and contact with contaminated surfaces or objects. Additionally, data suggests that many confirmed COVID-19 cases may have moderate to no symptoms but still be highly contagious.

The inherent nature of many aspects of Mycological Forays require a certain level of interaction with others participating in the Foray. This means a higher risk of COVID-19 exposure. Additionally, people that fall into an "at risk" category (such as certain weakened immune system or advanced age) are at significantly higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19.

The Colorado Mycological Society offers, among other events, Forays (trips to outdoor environments for the purpose of viewing and/or collecting fungi) available to the Members of our Society and others. As such, members and guests are advised to take every precaution as prescribed by federal, state, and local government and global health organizations to protect themselves and their families and to comply with social distancing requirements. Such precautions include, but are not limited to:

- Always wear a mask and gloves when being in close proximity (within 6 feet) of non-household members.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands or gloves.
- Maintain six feet of distance between you and other non-household members at all times.

This Advisory is not comprehensive. Members are encouraged to take all precautions members feel appropriate to ensure the health and safety of the members and their families. If members are concerned about the risk of being infected with COVID-19, members should also consider waiting until the risk of COVID-19 subsides to participate in in-person events.

Acknowledgement: Knowing the foregoing and assuming all risks, I specifically release, waive any claim I may have or may have had and agree to hold harmless the Colorado Mycological Society, its members, officers, directors and any other persons involved with the Colorado Mycological Society from any liability I might assert because of this event or the results of this event.

Signature	Printed Name	Date