PHYSICAL DISTANCING MODIFICATION CONSULTING

The COVID-19 pandemic resulted in the cancelation or postponement of cultural, educational and sporting events in large gathering spaces. These events included treasured social happenings and vital academic and business exchanges, as well as being economic engines critical to local economies.

As we emerge from initial social distancing measures and consider the responsible resumption of large gatherings, venue and event managers will need a trusted partner to guide facility modifications and adoption of best management practices to reduce virus transmission risks. Intertek’s architectural, engineering and industrial hygiene professionals provide facility managers with the expert advice and comprehensive, turn-key services to confidently hold events again.

Making Events Safer
As infection transmission reduction requirements change, buildings need to change with them, and Intertek is here to help. We will assess opportunities and assist clients with modifications to large event spaces (auditoriums, stadiums, arenas and convention centers) that allow authentic participant experience while maintaining recommended distancing and reducing other virus transmission risks. Elements that may be addressed include:

- Fixed and movable seating
- Pre-function space configuration and crowd management
- Event entry and concessions queues
- Support spaces and auxiliary uses

Services
Intertek can lead the entire conversion with turnkey services, or serve as a consultant to the owner, working alongside independent design and construction teams. Our services include:

Assessment:
Intertek will work closely with you to understand your needs and expectations. We will do an initial review of the venue based on drawings, photographs, and space usage history, and then conduct a site visit to document existing conditions and interview operators and other key personnel to clarify specific requirements and needs, culminating in a set of recommended remediations.

Remediation:
Intertek will assume the role of remediation program manager, providing comprehensive design, engineering and construction services to execute the recommended remediations. Alternatively, we will serve as your representative, and work closely with your selected design/construction team as they implement modifications. Our recommendations will consider maximizing capacity within distancing constraints, optimizing participant experience, maintaining safety and accessibility compliance, and any other owner-defined criteria. We will also consider applicable measures to improve indoor air quality improvement and reduce direct transmission potential to further reduce infection risks.

Operation and Maintenance:
Intertek will provide guidance on staff and vendor training, participant education, operation and maintenance policies and practices, and future considerations.

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