

DSRC Clubhouse Re-Opening

Wednesday, June 3, 2020 5:00 p. m. – 8:00 p.m. for Members Only
Saturday, June 6, 2020 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. for Visitors

Hello Friends:

I am pleased to announce that we will soon be re-opening our club house under the Delaware Phase 1 Restrictions. We will open the clubhouse on Wednesday, June 3rd at 5 pm until 8 pm, but this opening will be for Members (and Junior Members) only. We will try to get each layout running smoothly, and we will once again wipe down all surfaces accessible by club members and guests in preparation for the Saturday, June 6th Opening for Visitors.

Restrictions: We will follow Delaware Dept. of Health guidelines and maintain 6-foot social distancing, and wear masks as needed when this distancing is not possible. Signs on the door will require each person entering to WEAR YOUR MASKS. For Phase 1 we will be limited to about 11 people occupying the space at one time. With 5 members usually needed to run trains, for a Saturday this means only 6 visitors at a time. If you are familiar with the narrow (sometimes only 4 feet) aisles in our club, we must limit our numbers to stay within the State of Delaware guidelines.

The door will be monitored and if we are already at our capacity, we will ask additional visitors to wait outside while other guests finish their visit. Even though our space is large, 85% of the square footage is occupied by train tables, so our maximum capacity is only about 33 persons, and we can only operate at a 30% capacity, or 11 persons under Phase 1.

The Wednesday Members Only schedule will be limited to 11 members, including any family members, at any one time. This will stay in place until we move into Phase 2. It is possible to permit a visitor to enter on a Wednesday evening, if they have a need of repair advice or other train related question or want to peruse our storage area for sale items. We can allow entry into the shop/warehouse for these purposes without infringing upon the restrictions, because that space was not included in our calculated capacity.

We hope all members will abide by the restrictions under which we are required to operate. If you enter and find the numbers of persons at the maximum, please leave until someone else vacates the room.

Notices about these restrictions will be posted on the club's web site. You might also find the Members Only pages and sign up for the future Saturdays or Wednesdays.

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July 1, 2020 Update:

Delaware Phase 2 took effect on June 15, 2020. In this phase the capacity limit is increased to 60% so in our case the limit increases to 24 persons not including staff members. Phase 3 originally scheduled to take effect on Monday June 29th has been indefinitely delayed.