



YEAGER AIRPORT

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FEDERAL MASK MANDATE FOR YEAGER AIRPORT

Wearing a mask at Yeager Airport has been required since Governor Justice's mandate in November 2020, but a new [Executive Order](#) from President Joe Biden and a recent security directive issued by the Transportation Security Administration is changing some of the requirements for wearing a mask while at an airport. This federal mandate applies to all persons on airport property—including passengers, visitors, airport employees, tenants and vendors. The new directive states:

- Refusing to wear a mask on airport property may result in removal and denial of re-entry.
- Refusing to wear a mask may also result in civil penalties under federal law.
- Children 2 and older must wear a mask.
- Your mask must be worn between sips and bites while drinking, eating or taking medication.

The only exceptions to the federal mask mandate are:

- Children under 2.
- When necessary to temporarily remove the mask for identity verification purposes.
- While communicating with a person who is deaf or hard of hearing, when the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- People with disabilities who cannot wear a mask or cannot safely wear a mask because of the disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- People for whom wearing a mask would create a risk to workplace health, safety, or job duty as determined by the relevant workplace safety guidelines or federal regulations.

The [Transportation Security Administration \(TSA\)](#) is charged with enforcing the president's executive order. Yeager Airport Police Officers will respond to any violations reported by TSA.

"Our passengers have been wearing masks for several months now and we have had very little issue with compliance," said Yeager Airport Director and CEO Nick Keller. "We are very appreciative to everyone for wearing their masks, and we ask everyone to review and prepare to follow this TSA directive before traveling."

CRW can be fined by the federal government for not following this federal directive. Anyone who refuses to comply will also be subject to civil penalties from the TSA. If you have questions, please contact your airline or Yeager Airport at 304-344-8033. You can also find more information at yeagerairport.com/covid-19.

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