If you’re ready to get back to some of the places and activities you’ve missed over the last few months, you’re not alone. Idaho is ready, too. Businesses and organizations across the state have been working hard to ensure a fun and safe experience for all visitors and employees. However, the protocols and procedures to keep everyone safe here in Idaho might be different from your hometown.

Here are some important things to consider when traveling in Idaho.

Pack cloth face coverings for everyone in your party. Face coverings are required in some businesses and communities and are encouraged where physical distancing is not possible.

Public restrooms in parks, rest areas or gas stations may not be open. Plan for the inevitable and take advantage of restrooms when available, especially when traveling with young kids.

Check with your destination for any travel restrictions, limitations or closures that might be in place.

Confirm lodging/camping arrangements before travel. Properties may limit the number of rooms/spaces available to account for physical distancing and might not be able to accommodate walk-ins.

Bring the essentials – water, toilet paper, some food – and be prepared to pack it out if camping or in the backcountry.

Acknowledge, respect, and kindly follow safety precautions. Your health and safety and the health and safety of employees are top priority.

Ask about cancellation and refund policies at businesses you plan to visit.

Whether your travels take you to urban attractions, horseback rides in the mountains, thrilling raft trips or relaxing resorts, a bit of extra research and planning will give you the best opportunity for a hassle-free, fun-filled visit. We’ll see you soon in Idaho! For all the latest information go to: visitidaho.org/covid-19-travel-alert