

North Pacific Juniors Volleyball Club

NOTICE

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MASCARE SG4 Non-Compliant Face Shields

This is to inform all NPJ program and event participants that the MASCARE SG4 (and similar designs) is considered a non-compliant face shield, according to Oregon Occupational Safety & Health (Oregon OSHA). Please check to make sure that your mask, face shield, or face covering meets the criteria provided by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). Below is an explanation from Oregon OSHA in response to a question about whether the MASCARE SG4 is acceptable.

*We're starting to see more of these. Unfortunately they are being marketed as "OSHA friendly", which is a dishonest and harmful marketing gimmick. They don't meet the definition of a mask like the doctor hopes they do, because they don't actually cover the nose and mouth. They hang out in front of your nose and mouth but there is plenty of open space. The word "cover" in the guidance means cover like a blanket, not cover like an umbrella. Consequently, we are looking at them as a non-compliant face shield since they're much more akin to the bottom 3<sup>rd</sup> of a face shield than a mask. These would stop you from spitting, but aerosolized droplets like people create when they yell, sing, or sneeze wouldn't be impeded enough to matter.*

For more information on the statewide mask requirement please see the Statewide Mask, Face Shield, Face Covering Guidance document by clicking on the follow link:

<https://sharesystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/1e2288K.pdf>. Also see the

OHA FAQs about Mask Guidance page:

<https://sharesystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/1e2390e.pdf>.



*The masks/shields imaged here are non-compliant*