COVID-19 POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR BALLOON FLIGHTS

We are open for Hot Air Balloon Flights Effective Friday May 22, 2020, weather permitting. However, there will be some mandated procedures, that we will be taking part of, to keep our crew, our passengers, and potential contact with the public and landowners safe.

At the current time we have four balloons, for our Hot Air Balloon Services. We can handle up to 6 passengers, per a single Scenic Sight Seeing Flight. The number of passengers will determine which balloon we will be using. We will be using and implicating the following guidelines.

1. All flights must be booked by phone, and not through our online website booking.
2. All passengers must be of the same household, or group, we will not be combining groups together.
3. All passengers and crew MUST wear a protective Mask all times, that includes while in the transport vehicles. Mask are mandatory once you arrive at the launch site, and must be maintained until we are back to the launch site.
4. All crew and Passengers must wear gloves, at all times, including during the balloon set up, and take down, while riding in the transport vehicle, and when in flight in the balloon.
5. If you are sick, have been exposed to the virus in the past 14 days, running a temperature, please STAY HOME. If you or anyone in your party shows up at the launch site, with a fever, is coughing, or doesn’t feel well, your flight for the entire group will be cancelled and or postponed.
6. We will be taking every one’s temperature, with a hand held, touchless thermometer, prior to the set up of the balloon. Anyone with a temperature over 99.8, will be reason to cancel the flight for the entire group.
7. We will provide hand sanitizer and paper towels, for the crew and passengers to use prior to starting the activities.
8. Please note that the passenger/crew release signed by all crew members, and passengers, will also include release of liability from the COVID-19 VIRUS.
9. During this time period we will reframe from doing the post flight Sparkling Cider Celebration for all flights.
10. Flight times can not be guaranteed, we will take a available site for landing, that does not include private property if at all possible, so that we do not become a burden to any landowner.
11. Once the basket is loaded we will place the passengers in the corners, each looking out from their corner. We want everyone to enjoy the flight, and keep as far apart as possible in the confines of the balloon basket. We will do everything we can to practice the suggested social distancing, but please understand we may not be able to maintain, 6 foot separation in the balloon basket. We have talked with Major Balloon Flight companies, and this is the practice that is being suggested by the Balloon Federation of America.
12. After each flight we will wipe down our equipment, the transport vehicle, trailer doors, the fan, and any other part of equipment that could possibly be cross contaminated.

Our goal is that everyone that comes out for a Scenic Sight Seeing Hot Air Balloon Flight, has a wonderful memorable experience. By following the recommended procedures, we feel that we can have that experience everyone is hoping for. We have no idea how long these procedures will be in place, but we do know until it is declared as over, we will be operating using these procedures. Thank you for your understanding.

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