

COVID-19 Update

July 7, 2021

5 p.m.

The S.C. Department of Corrections is beginning phase two of its plan to expand in-person visitation to institutions across the state on Saturday, July 10.

Vaccinated inmates at Manning, Goodman, Palmer and Livesay can have two visits per month. Visits are 1.5 hours and must be scheduled ahead of time.

Each inmate can visit with up to two people – either two adults or one adult and one child.

Masks are required for everyone age four and older. Hugs are permitted at the beginning and end of the visit.

Visitors should arrive no more than 30 minutes before their scheduled visitation time.

Visitation might be offered inside and outside, weather permitting.

Detailed information is available [here](#). Other existing parameters include:

- Visitors age 12 and older must have a negative COVID-19 test within three days of their scheduled visit or provide a COVID-19 vaccination record card showing that they have completed the vaccination process.
- Upon arrival, all visitors will be required to have their temperature taken and complete a mandatory questionnaire about COVID-19.
- Visitors exhibiting any signs/symptoms of the COVID-19 virus or a temperature of 100 degrees or higher will not be allowed to enter.
- Visitors must schedule visits ahead of time. Details on how to schedule these visits can be found on the SCDC website [here](#).
- Visits will be offered on Saturday and Sunday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Time slots will be listed on the scheduling section of the website.
- There is no access to restrooms or vending machines during the visit.
- Visitors must be on the inmate's approved SCDC visitation list.

SCDC continues to offer COVID-19 vaccinations to all inmates. So far the vaccine has been offered to 95 percent of the inmate population, with 55 percent opting to become vaccinated.

Video visitation is now offered at all institutions. Find more information about that [here](#).