



# TRI-CITIES

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### **Tri-Cities Airport to Enforce Federal Mask Mandate**

*Federal Security Directive goes into effect February 1, 2021*

Pasco, WA – At 9:00 p.m. on February 1, 2021, the Tri-Cities Airport (PSC) will begin enforcing a new federal mandate that requires everyone on airport property to wear a mask or face covering.

After President Biden signed the [Executive Order](#) on Promoting COVID-19 Safety in Domestic and International Travel, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) released its related Security Directive, which dictates that all passengers, operators, and visitors at the airport must cover both their nose and mouth while on the premises of any transportation hub. Children under the age of 2 are exempt, as are those who meet [special conditions](#) set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

At PSC, passengers may ask for a free mask from their airline carrier or airport staff. Those who refuse to comply with the TSA Security Directive may be denied boarding, asked to leave the airport and/or receive a fine.

Face coverings have been required at PSC since June 2020, but the new regulations provide additional enforcement guidelines and stricter penalties for violation. The federal Security Directive can be found [here](#) on the TSA website.

#### **About the Airport**

Tri-Cities Airport (PSC) is the largest airport in the Southeastern Washington and Northeastern Oregon region and the third largest air carrier airport in the state of Washington. With connections to several major hubs, the airport is served by Delta, Alaska, United, and Allegiant airlines. For more information about the airport, visit [flytricity.com](http://flytricity.com) or follow us on [Facebook](#).