



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE
PETERSON-SCHRIEVER GARRISON

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND TENANTS

FROM: P-S GAR/CC

SUBJECT: Peterson-Schriever Garrison Public Health Directive #9

1. The following measures are added to emphasize continued efforts to adapt installation policies to appropriately balance protecting base personnel while ensuring continued mission effectiveness and quality of life. P-S Garrison Public Health Directive #9 is effective immediately.

2. The following Public Health Directive measures are in effect for Peterson SFB, Schriever SFB, and Cheyenne Mountain SFS.

a. The installation will move to HPCON Alpha. Indoor mask-wear is no longer required for DoD personnel or visitors on installation property IAW Attachment 1 given the CDC COVID-19 Community Level for El Paso County is deemed medium.

b. All other force health protection guidance currently remains in effect, including guidance regarding workplace access, occupancy levels, physical distancing, travel, and meetings. Updated DoD guidance regarding the aforementioned matters is being addressed.

c. Commanders/directors are authorized to increase in-person manning to 100% of non-mission essential personnel. Telework is permitted based on commander's discretion. Face-to-face meetings are authorized.

d. Currently, Department of the Air Force gatherings continue to be limited to no more than fifty socially-distanced participants. If more than fifty participants are desired, a waiver from the Under Secretary of the Air Force is required. This DOES NOT include exercises or military training events.

e. Staff and attendees of Child Development Centers and Youth Programs are subject to the following guidance:

- Confirmed positive tests shall isolate at home for ten days if unable to wear a mask. If able to wear a mask, they shall isolate for five days and must wear a mask in the classroom for the next five days, with day zero being the date of the positive test or first onset of symptoms, whichever came first.
- Close contacts of positive cases, as determined by CDC staff in consultation with Public Health, shall be monitored for the onset of symptoms consistent with COVID-19 infection but will not be subject to quarantine in the absence of symptoms. If symptoms develop, the child or staff member in question should be tested for infection and isolated according to the paragraph above if positive.

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f. Fitness centers have returned to normal operations. Masking is no longer required during any fitness activities.

g. Fitness assessments have resumed as of 1 Mar 22. All members who were due for fitness testing during the pause are now due to test NLT 31 Mar 22.

h. Regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status, personnel who test positive for COVID-19 will remain out of the workplace for at least five calendar days. Day zero is the day of the test result or first full day of symptoms, whichever comes first. Individuals may return to the workplace after day five, if either: (1) they have no symptoms; or (2) if they are without a fever for more than 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication and any remaining symptoms are resolving. Mask wear must continue for an additional five calendar days.

i. Asymptomatic personnel determined to be a close contact (as determined by 21 MDG Public Health and CDC guidelines) to an individual who tests positive for COVID-19 and who: (1) are unvaccinated; or (2) have not received a recommended COVID-19 booster dose when eligible; or (3) do not have a documented COVID-19 infection within the past 90 days, will remain out of the workplace on quarantine for five calendar days and should wear a mask for the next five days after returning to the workplace. Personnel must continue to monitor symptoms and notify their leadership, take a COVID-19 test, and contact 21 MDG Public Health if symptoms develop.

3. This policy supersedes any previously published Peterson-Schriever Garrison public health directives but does not impact any declaration of a public health emergency. P-S Garrison will continue to follow higher headquarters, DoD force health protection guidance, and state or country policy as published. This includes, but is not limited to, mask wear while within medical facilities and OCONUS travel-related testing requirements, which are adjusted periodically as the COVID-19 pandemic fluctuates.

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Attachments:

1. Under Secretary of Defense, "Updated Guidance for Mask and Screening Testing for all Department of Defense Installations and Other Facilities," dated 1 Mar, 2022



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**MEMORANDUM FOR SENIOR PENTAGON LEADERSHIP
COMMANDERS OF THE COMBATANT COMMANDS
DEFENSE AGENCY AND DOD FIELD ACTIVITY DIRECTORS**

SUBJECT: Updated Guidance for Mask and Screening Testing for all Department of Defense Installations and Other Facilities

In accordance with the updated guidance released by the Safer Federal Workforce Task Force on February 28, 2022, beginning immediately, the following masking and screening testing guidance requirements based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) Community Levels¹ will apply to all Department of Defense (DoD) installations and other facilities owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by DoD:

- When the CDC COVID-19 Community Level is high in the county where a DoD installation or facility is located², indoor mask-wearing is required for all Service members, DoD civilian employees, onsite DoD contractor personnel (collectively, "DoD personnel"), and visitors, regardless of vaccination status. The screening testing program required by reference (a) shall be utilized in that installation or facility.
- When the CDC COVID-19 Community Level is medium in the county where a DoD installation or facility is located, indoor mask-wearing is not required for DoD personnel or visitors. The screening testing program required by reference (a) shall be utilized in that installation or facility.
- When the CDC COVID-19 Community Level is low in the county where a DoD installation or facility is located, indoor mask-wearing is not required for DoD personnel or visitors. The screening testing program contained in reference (a) is not required for that installation or facility.
- Individuals may choose to wear a mask regardless of the COVID-19 Community Level.

¹ Community levels may be found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>. Find community levels by "State or Territory" and then by "County or Metro Area." Jurisdictions which are not counties, such as the District of Columbia, also are listed under "County or Metro Area." Definitions of low, medium, and high risk may be found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html>.

² The Pentagon is located in Arlington County, Virginia.

- Regardless of the CDC COVID-19 Community Level, DoD force health protection guidance for workplace access and mask wearing for DoD personnel with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 remains in effect.
- When mask wearing is required, any previously-approved exceptions to the masking requirement remain in effect.
- DoD installations, other facilities, and worksites shall, as soon as possible, post signs and post information on their websites clarifying what masking requirements apply on each installation and at each facility.
- All other force health protection guidance remains in effect, including guidance regarding workplace access, occupancy levels, physical distancing, travel, and meetings. Individual must follow more rigorous workplace mask mandates when commanders and supervisors determine that it is required to protect health and safety in the workplace, such as mask wearing by health care workers.
- Installations outside the U.S. should consult country-level data for their Host Nations (HN) if local community-level data is unavailable. Case-rate information is available from the CDC at <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#global-counts-rates> and the World Health Organization at <https://covid19.who.int/>. Other sources of data include HN public health authorities, academic institutions, and the World Health Organization.
- DoD Components will comply with any applicable labor relations obligations when implementing this policy.

References (b) and (c) (Attachment 1) are rescinded.

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Attachment:
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ATTACHMENT 1
References

- (a) Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Memorandum, "Force Health Protection Guidance (Supplement 23) Revision 3 – Department of Defense Guidance for Coronavirus Disease 2019 Vaccination Attestation, Screening Testing, and Vaccination Verification," dated December 20, 2021
- (b) Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Memorandum, "Force Health Protection Guidance (Supplement 17) Revision 1 – Department of Defense Guidance for the Use of Masks, Personal Protective Equipment, and Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 Pandemic," dated June 22, 2021 (hereby rescinded)
- (c) Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum, "Updated Mask Guidance for all DoD Installations and Other Facilities," dated July 28, 2021 (hereby rescinded)