



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
20th FIGHTER WING (ACC)
SHAW AIR FORCE BASE SOUTH CAROLINA

26 June 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SHAW AFB PERSONNEL

FROM: 20 FW/CC

SUBJECT: Updated COVID-19 Social Distancing Order

1. It is Department of Defense and Air Force policy that military installations, property, personnel and other individuals working or residing on military installations will be protected under applicable legal authorities against communicable diseases associated with biological warfare or terrorism or other public health emergencies. Due to the continued threat of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and its potential to significantly impact force capabilities and mission readiness, and IAW the most recent *Declaration of a Public Health Emergency* renewal for 90 days dated 13 May 2020, issued pursuant to DODI 6200.03, *Public Health Emergency Management Within the Department of Defense*, and AFI 10-2519, *Public Health Emergencies and Incidents of Public Health Concern*, the following order is in effect.

2. In these uncertain and historic times, Team Shaw personnel must do their part to protect the health and welfare of Shaw service members, families, and community, and to maintain our combat capabilities. To that end, all individuals present on Shaw AFB will comply with the following protocols:

a. **Social Distancing.** Individuals will practice Center for Disease Control (CDC) hygiene measures, follow 6-foot social distancing protocols indoors and outdoors, and wear a face mask/cloth coverings when 6-foot social distancing cannot be maintained (Please note: face masks/coverings are not a substitute for 6-foot social distancing). This provision does not apply to persons of the same household.

b. **Face coverings.** All individuals will wear a face mask/cloth covering when 6-foot social distancing cannot be maintained, as well as all times in designated areas to include AAFES facilities, food service areas, customer service areas, Commissary, and the 20 FW Medical Treatment Facility (MTF).

(1) Children ages two and below, as well as those who are having trouble breathing or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance, are exempted.

(2) Unit commanders are authorized to waive this policy for safety reasons. Customer service areas may implement droplet barriers as an alternative to cloth face coverings for customer-service personnel. Consult with the Public Health Emergency Officer for recommendations.

3. This order applies to all active duty military, civilian employees, contractors, dependents, retirees, and guests who are present on Shaw AFB, to include all tenant organization personnel. This order applies to 20 FW military personnel whether they are on or off installation. All personnel associated with Shaw AFB are strongly encouraged to apply the provisions of this order when off installation.

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4. This order does not limit individuals who are in execution of their official duty or in performance of mission essential tasks and requirements.

5. Violations of this order by military personnel may be punished under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Depending on the severity and totality of circumstances surrounding a military member's actions, other UCMJ provisions may apply as well, including but not limited to, Conduct Unbecoming an Officer under Article 133, and/or Reckless Endangerment under Article 134. Violators not subject to the UCMJ may be charged with a crime under 42 USC 271 and be subject to a fine up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

6. This order will remain in effect until rescinded or reissued by 20 FW/CC. This order supersedes the *Updated COVID-19 Social Distancing and Rescission of Food Safety Precaution Order*, dated 15 May 2020. However, the previous provisions concerning the rescission of the food safety precaution order are still in effect. Please address any questions you have regarding this order through your chain of command.



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Commander

Attachment:

1. Declaration of a Public Health Emergency
2. Second Renewed Declaration of a Public Health Emergency