



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
52D FIGHTER WING (USAF)**

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MEMORANDUM FOR 52 FW PERSONNEL

FROM: 52 FW/CC

SUBJECT: 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Guidance for Conduct in Public Locations

1. The contagious nature of COVID-19 dictates that we aggressively act to limit its spread off duty like we are doing on duty. We all must shift our habits and routines in order to combat the spread of this virus. A helpful mindset to have is that you are carrying the virus and you don't want to infect anyone else. Adopting this mindset and acting accordingly will increase our success in stopping the spread of the virus. To those ends, I am providing the following guidance regarding public locations on base. In general, limit your outings and interaction in public areas.

- a. Avoid gatherings of two or more people, unless from the same family or household. If out walking or exercising with two people who are not from the same family or household, maintain a minimum distance of two meters between each individual. This guidance applies to all dependents as well.
- b. Avoid peak hours at the commissary and AAFES locations to the max extent possible. Maintain at least two meters distance between individuals at all times while shopping and in line for check out. Individuals should spend the minimum time required to accomplish their specific business and then depart the location - no loitering or browsing. Please be respectful of the health and safety of our frontline workers.
 - i. Only one member per family or household should enter these facilities at a time in order to help maintain physical distancing. We will make exemptions for single parents or spouses of deployed personnel who need to bring their children, as well as individuals that need assistance.
 - ii. When required, we may limit entry into the facility to a certain number of patrons. By avoiding the following peak times, you can help us negate the need to limit entry based on numbers.
 1. Commissary Peak Hours: 1130-1300, 1600-1800
 2. AAFES Express (Shoppette/Gas Station) Peak Hours: 1600-1800
 3. AAFES Main BX: currently no specific peak hours
 - iii. If required to limit number of patrons, we will form a line outside with separation of two meters distance between individuals to wait to go in until others have left.

2. It will take all our efforts to respect the threat of COVID-19 and do our part both on and off duty to limit the spread. This requires a mindset shift, which is why I am putting this guidance in place to help modify our behavior away from old habit patterns. Leadership will be out and about to help ensure folks abide by this guidance, but I ask that you give anyone not following this guidance a friendly reminder to comply. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the 52 FW Public Affairs.

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