



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
52D FIGHTER WING (USAFE)

MEMORANDUM FOR 52 FW

05 Apr 20

FROM: 52 FW/CC

SUBJECT: Use of Cloth Face Coverings

1. According to the Department of Defense memorandum dated 05 Apr 20, the “DoD supports, and will continue to implement, all measures necessary to mitigate risks to the spread of [CoVID-19], consistent with the Department’s priorities...[and] military members, DoD civilian employees, their family members, and DoD contractors are strongly encouraged to follow CDC guidelines on the use of cloth face coverings in public settings” or where other physical distancing measures are difficult to maintain.
2. Effective immediately, 52 FW guidance is to follow the DoD memo as follows:
 - a. **All** individuals (military, DoD civilian employees, family members, DoD contractors, and others) on DoD property, installations, and facilities will wear cloth face coverings when they cannot maintain six feet of physical distancing in public areas or work centers.
 - i) This does not include a military member or family member’s residence.
 - ii) This **does** include all shopping and customer service facilities such as the DFAC, commissary, Base Exchange, food court, Shoppette, Popeye’s, Starbucks, etc.
 - iii) Security checkpoints may require the lowering of face covers for identification purposes.
3. As an interim measure, members are encouraged to self-procure masks or fashion face coverings from common materials or clean household items such as t-shirts or other materials. Pre-designed face coverings such as neck gaiters or scarves (worn over the nose and mouth), and balaclavas are also acceptable.
 - a. Military members in uniform must continue to present a neat and professional appearance and therefore may only wear masks in the following solid colors: white, black, brown, coyote brown, tan, sage, or olive green. Patterned materials are forbidden except for current OCP or ABU-pattern material, but covering must match the uniform style worn by the member.
4. All other grooming and appearance standards will remain in place.

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