

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

MEMORANDUM FOR 52 FW PERSONNEL

FROM: 52 FW/CC

SUBJECT: Installation Mask Wear Guidance (effective 2 March 2022)

References: (a) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) "COVID-19 Community Levels," February 25, 2022

- (b) 52 FW Installation Mask Wear guidance (effective 26 September 2021),
- 25 September 2021 (hereby cancelled)
- (c) Under Secretary of Defense Memorandum "Updated Guidance for Mask and Screening Testing for all Department of Defense Installations and Other Facilities," 1 March 2022
- (d) Spangdahlem Air Base Coronavirus Page: https://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/coronavirus
- (e) 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, attachment 7, COVID-19 Screening Testing Requirements.
- 1. The latest guidance from the DoD (reference c) and the CDC establishes community levels and aligns protective measures based on those levels. Effective immediately, the 52d Fighter Wing is aligned with the new DoD guidance (reference c) which is briefly outlined below. My previous guidance, (reference b), is hereby cancelled. The following guidance applies for mask wear on Spangdahlem Air Base, effective 2 March 2022.
- 2. Community Level indicators are based upon new COVID-19 measures. The current level for Spangdahlem Air Base can be found at the base Coronavirus page (reference d). Geographically separated units will continue to follow local procedures to determine their level and mask posture. As of the date of this memorandum, Spangdahlem Air Base is categorized as a Medium. Levels and base implications are outlined below:
 - a. Low: Masks ARE NOT required for DoD personnel and visitors in DoD facilities. Screening testing (reference e) for those not fully vaccinated IS NOT required.
 - b. Medium: Masks ARE NOT required for DoD personnel and visitors in DoD facilities. Screening testing (reference e) for those not fully vaccinated IS required.
 - $c. \ \ High: Masks \ ARE \ required \ for \ DoD \ personnel \ and \ visitors \ in \ DoD \ facilities. \ Screening \ testing \ (reference \ e) \ for \ those \ not \ fully \ vaccinated \ IS \ required.$
- 3. Personnel exhibiting symptoms or potential close contacts of someone with COVID-19 will wear masks. Additionally, Commanders may implement more restrictive policies based upon mission and safety requirements (e.g. schools and medical facilities). Mask requirements will be indicated by signage or other social media distribution.
- 4. Children up to and including the age of 6 years old or younger are exempt from wearing a mask in public, unless otherwise noted.
- 5. I ask for your continued diligence to help prevent the spread of this disease. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the 52 FW Front Office at DSN 452-6001.