

OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER 125 Mabry Avenue Joint Base Langley-Eustis VA 23665-2522

## MEMORANDUM FOR ALL AFFECTED PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Pandemic – Social Distancing & Use of Cloth Face Coverings in Public Areas

1. Effective 9 May 2020, I am renewing my original Social Distancing & Use of Cloth Face Coverings in Public Areas Order on Joint Base Langley-Eustis (JBLE). All individuals in JBLE public areas will continue to follow Center for Disease Control social distancing protocols (6 feet or 2 meters) **and** all individuals, two years of age and older, in JBLE public areas will continue to wear cloth face coverings.

2. The cloth face covering must cover, at a minimum, the nose and mouth, and uniformed personnel must remain mindful of dress and appearance standards. JBLE public areas are those where people gather in groups and include, but are not limited to, installation support services such as the Commissary, AAFES facilities, dining facilities, or for parents at Child Development Centers during drop-off and pickup of children, base service provider appointments such as Medical and Dental, DDRP, any customer service areas with one-on-one interaction, common areas in lodging, anywhere with a line, or other similar areas with a public gathering. This guidance applies to all personnel present on JBLE. This renewal does not apply to service member's or service family member's personal residence on JBLE.

3. Individuals seeking entry onto JBLE to attend a public area may still be required to present a face covering at security checkpoints as a basis for entry. Security checkpoints may require the lowering of face covers to verify identification.

4. Commanders across JBLE may still issue orders on guidance of personal protective equipment based on mission requirements in the work centers. Cloth face coverings are not required for mission critical personnel in their work centers when six feet of distance from other personnel can be maintained. To the extent practical, unit commanders should follow the 5 April 2020 Department of Defense guidance. As a reminder, the cloth face mask should be used in conjunction with social distancing protocols to reduce the risk of spreading infection.

5. Unless terminated or renewed by me sooner, this renewal order will automatically terminate 30 days from the effective date. Violations of this order by military personnel may be punished under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Violators not subject to the UCMJ may be charged with a crime under 42 U.S.C. § 271, and be subject to a fine up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.



6. After consulting with my Public Health Emergency Officer, and in accordance with relevant authorities, these measures are necessary to ensure a downward trajectory of the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) threat. While inconvenient, these measures are implemented to prevent unnecessary risk so our community may continue to live, work, and thrive on JBLE.

CLINTON A. ROSS, Colonel, USAF Commander

Attachment: Social Distancing & Use of Cloth Face Coverings in Public Areas, dated 8 Apr 2020 (2 pages)