

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 87TH AIR BASE WING (AMC) JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, NJ

6 April 2020 Change 1°

## MEMORANDUM FOR ALL JB MDL PERSONNEL AND PATRONS

FROM: JB MDL/CC

SUBJECT: Wear of Protective Face Mask and Physical Distancing

- 1. In line with Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidance and "Department of Defense Guidance on the Use of Cloth Face Coverings," dated 5 Apr 20, effective immediately, ALL individuals on JB MDL property and facilities will wear cloth face coverings when they cannot maintain six feet of physical distance in public areas or work centers (this does not include *inside of* personal residences on JB MDL).
- 2. For service members in uniform, masks must be conservative in appearance and color and in the spirit of your service uniform standards (for example, traditional military colors). When worn, the mask must be clean (daily washing is highly encouraged) and must cover both mouth and nose at all times during wear, but may not cover eyes. Masks must be removed when entering security checkpoints. In order to assure the availability of surgical masks and N-95 respirators for healthcare workers and first responders, JB MDL personnel are prohibited from wearing surgical masks or N-95 respirators unless directed by the Installation Public Health Emergency Officer.
- 3. Individuals will not congregate in groups of ten (10) or more people as the use of cloth face coverings does not prevent the wearer from getting sick or eliminate the need to continue the primary mitigation efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19. This limitation does not apply to members of the same household nor individuals who are in execution of their official duty or in performance of mission-critical tasks and requirements. Work areas are also excluded from group-size limitations, though physical distancing protocols are to be followed.
- 4. This policy will remain in effect until it is modified, in writing, by me. Violations of this policy by military personnel may be punished under Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). All DoD civilian personnel who violate this policy may be subject to administrative discipline under applicable service regulations. Additionally, any individual in violation of this policy may be subject to debarment and possible prosecution under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1382.
- 5. Please address any questions you have regarding this policy through your chain of command.

BRIDGET V. GIGLLOTTI, Colonel, USAI

Commander

Attachment:

CDC's Guidance on Use & Construction of Cloth Face Coverings, dated 4 Apr 20

<sup>\*</sup> Summary of changes: removed "Optional" from subject; deleted "ears or" and clarified applicability of N-95 respirator/surgical masks restriction in para. 2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> DoD dress and appearance standards does not define "conservative," but instead, guidance requires "Commanders (on G-Series Orders) or Equivalent" to enforce and define uniform wear that does not detract from military uniformity.