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## MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: General Order Relating to Coronavirus 2019, Revision 5

1. Applicability. This General Order rescinds General Order Relating to Coronavirus 2019, Revision 4, dated 20 May 2020, and applies to all U.S. Army personnel assigned or attached to U.S. Army Alaska, or assigned to a U.S. Army installation in Alaska.

## 2. References.

- a. Department of Defense Instruction 6200.03, Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) Within the DoD, 28 March 2019
  - b. Army Regulation 600-20, Army Command Policy, para. 2-5.b., 6 November 2014
  - c. Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), 10 U.S.C. §§ 801-940
- d. State of Alaska Health Mandates 016, Reopen Alaska Responsibly Plan Phase 1-A, with Attachments, 22 April 2020, and 018, Intrastate Travel, 11 May 2020
- 3. Military Purpose and Necessity. The State of Alaska continues to reopen responsibly, and USARAK's scope of operations expands consistent with DoD, HQDA, and higher headquarters guidance. In light of my obligation to preserve the health and readiness of the force, I have determined that certain restrictions should remain in place. To the extent this order imposes a higher or more restrictive standard than the State of Alaska, it reflects my judgment that considerations of military readiness, force protection, and public health necessitate a different approach. We will work together to establish safe work conditions while meeting our mission requirements.
- 4. Quarantine and Isolation. Soldiers directed to quarantine or isolation by public health or a commander must report to their designated quarantine or isolation location upon receipt of a quarantine or isolation order as soon as practicable. United States Army Alaska personnel at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson will comply with quarantine/isolation orders issued by the Commander, 673d Air Base Wing, public health officials, and Army commanders. Fort Wainwright and Fort Greely personnel will comply with quarantine/isolation orders issued by Commander, USAG-AK, public health officials, and Army commanders.

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- a. Quarantined personnel will inform medical personnel and their chain of command upon experiencing any symptoms of illness or infection.
- b. No one will enter quarantine or isolation rooms/facilities except those directed by a commander or authorized medical personnel.
- c. Alcohol storage and consumption in the barracks is a privilege, and if Soldiers choose to consume alcohol, they are expected to do so responsibly and in a disciplined manner. While serving a quarantine or other restriction of movement in a military facility, Soldiers aged 21 and over may possess no more than one standard size bottle of wine or 72 ounces (6 standard size bottles/cans) of beer or a beverage of equivalent alcohol by volume, (e.g. 6-pack of 12-ounce wine coolers).
- d. Soldiers may not store or consume hard liquor while serving a mandatory quarantine in a military facility.
- e. Leaders at all levels will be attentive to the signs of improper alcohol-related behavior or alcohol abuse by individual Soldiers.
- 5. Reporting. All U.S. Army military personnel and Civilian employees will immediately contact Public Health and their commander/supervisor when they or a member of their household have been tested for COVID-19, or have been exposed to a person infected with COVID-19. Any Soldier who is recommended to quarantine by Public Health will immediately report that recommendation to their commander. Commanders may issue quarantine orders to individual Soldiers based on a public health recommendation to quarantine.
- 6. Duty Status. Commanders will establish duty hours and locations for all Soldiers consistent with the following:
- a. Soldiers will conduct official duties during the duty day, including but not limited to: physical training, on-line training, education coursework, or other duties as directed by a commander or supervisor. Soldiers are required to be fit for duty during duty hours.
- b. Soldiers will comply with any facility or installation guidelines that mandate wear of a face covering or other protective measure. All personnel will observe appropriate hygiene practices (e.g., wash hands with soap for twenty seconds or use sanitizer, and clean/disinfect contact surfaces).
- c. All personnel will maintain physical/social distance by staying at least six feet apart from other persons and wearing cloth face coverings when physical distancing cannot be maintained, including while traveling in vehicles. Soldiers will carry face coverings to don when in proximity to others. Leaders are expected to implement social

distancing measures to the maximum extent practicable when planning and conducting unit activities.

- d. Units may conduct ceremonies with maximum physical participation of 25 personnel. Total attendance at a unit ceremony may not exceed 50 individuals. Units must observe social distancing and sanitation standards IAW CDC and HQDA guidance. Units will continue to maximize the use of virtual platforms while conducting all events and ceremonies.
- e. Units may conduct physical fitness training in groups of no more than 25 individuals. Unit assemblies for physical fitness training must respect social distancing guidelines and maintain a minimum of six feet between attendees. While conducting physical fitness training, Soldiers will maintain social distance.
- f. Units may hold meetings, briefings, and other official functions with a maximum in-person attendance of 25 personnel. Requests to exceed this limit may be approved by an O-6 commander. When granting exceptions under this provision, commanders will address social distancing, facility and/or room constraints, and an overall safety plan to mitigate risk. A standing exception may be granted for recurring events with the same or similar attendance levels, social distancing considerations, and mitigation measures.

## 7. Leader Responsibilities.

- a. Commanders and leaders are expected to support their Soldiers in quarantine or isolation as stated in FRAGO 1 to USARAK OPORD 014-2020 and all subsequent USARAK orders. Communication will occur between the leader and Soldier every day.
- b. A leader will communicate with each Soldier released to his/her residence or other designated duty location, whether on- or off-post, every duty day to ensure accountability and the health and welfare of the Soldier. Leaders will confirm that their Soldiers have accomplished assigned tasks and are prepared to return to duty when recalled.
- c. Leaders will ensure that Soldiers understand this guidance, the State of Alaska's current Health Mandates, and any differences between them. Soldiers are expected to comply with this guidance at all times, while remaining mindful that their conduct is subject to regulation by the State while off-post and in an off-duty status.
- 8. Off-duty Activities. All USARAK personnel will follow State and local directives to the maximum extent practicable while engaged in off-duty activities. USARAK personnel will attempt to maintain social/physical distancing when interacting with non-household members. If unable to maintain social distancing, USARAK personnel will wear cloth face coverings. Soldiers are expected to be familiar with the State of

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Alaska's current Health Mandates (available at <a href="https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-mandates/">https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-mandates/</a>) and respect any guidelines or restrictions imposed by local businesses.

- a. Non-military guests (visitors) in the barracks are prohibited.
- b. Soldiers must receive a pass or leave authorization from a commander for any overnight stays outside of their homes or residences to ensure that leaders have accountability of their personnel, are aware of any potential for infection or exposure, and verify that their Soldiers are cognizant of this Order and any State or local restrictions that may apply.
- c. Soldiers will neither host nor attend social gatherings or parties with more than 25 attendees while off-duty, **including unofficial unit functions.** Requests to host a social gathering exceeding 25 people must address social distancing, facility and/or room constraints, and an overall safety plan to mitigate risk. O-6 unit commanders may approve requests under this provision. **This prohibition does not apply to attending religious services or use of a physical fitness facility.**
- 9. Soldiers may face adverse administrative or disciplinary action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice for violating public health guidelines, including those imposed by restaurants and retail establishments. Soldiers should be mindful that disorderly conduct and service-discrediting conduct are criminal offenses under the UCMJ, and that their behavior is a reflection of the professionalism of the United States Army. Be smart, be safe, be ready!

10. Effective Date/Expiration. This order is in effect as of the signature date and remains in effect until rescinded.

11. The point of contact for this order is the U.S. Army Alaska Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, (907) 384-0300.

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