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**MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION**

**SUBJECT: General Order Number 1 Relating to Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

1. **Applicability:** This General Order applies to all military personnel and Department of the Army Civilians assigned to, performing duty at, or located on Fort Knox, Kentucky. It also applies to Family Members, visitors, and contractor employees at Fort Knox and to ROTC cadre and cadets where indicated. General Order Number 1 dated 4 February 2021 is hereby rescinded.

2. **Statement of Military Purpose and Necessity:** As the Army begins a phased return to normal operations, vigilance is still needed to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission. This General Order identifies conduct that is prejudicial to the good order and discipline, health, and safety of all personnel within the Fort Knox area of responsibility and U.S. Army Cadet Command.

3. **References.**

- a. HQDA EXORD 210-20 – Coronavirus (COVID-19) Transition Framework
- b. Army Regulation 600-20, Army Command Policy, para. 2-5b, dated 24 July 2020
- c. Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), 10 U.S.C. §§ 801-946a
- d. EXORD 20-52 (Fort Knox COVID-19 Preparation and Response Operations)
- e. EXORD 20-87 (Fort Knox COVID-19 Transition Framework)
- f. Department of Defense Instruction 6200.03, Public Health Emergency Management (PHEM) Within the DoD, 28 March 2019
- g. Executive Order 13991, Protecting the Federal Workforce and Requiring Mask-Wearing, 20 January 2021.
- h. Department of Defense Memorandum, Use of Masks and Other Public Health Measures, 4 February 2020.

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i. Department of Defense Memorandum, Guidance for Commanders' Risk-Based Responses and Implementation of the Health Condition Framework During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 Pandemic, 29 April 2021.

j. Department of Defense Memorandum, Updated Mask Guidelines for Vaccinated Persons, 13 May 2021.

k. USACC Memorandum, Exception to Policy for Building Occupancy in Support of Cadet Summer Training Execution, 13 May 2021.

4. Definitions:

a. Quarantine: The separation of an individual or group that has been exposed to a communicable disease, but is not yet ill, from others who have not been so exposed, in such manner and place to prevent the possible spread of the communicable disease.

b. Isolation: The separation of an individual or group infected or reasonably believed to be infected with a communicable disease, from those who are healthy, in such a place and manner to prevent the spread of the communicable disease.

c. Person Under Investigation: An individual who has both consistent signs or symptoms and risk factors of COVID-19 should be considered a Person Under Investigation (PUI). Frequently reported symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, myalgia or fatigue, shortness of breath, and gastrointestinal symptoms such as diarrhea and nausea.

5. Military personnel ordered into quarantine or isolation and military personnel who are PUIs will comply with the orders of the Fort Knox Garrison Commander, their chain of command, and medical personnel, including public health officials.

6. Quarantine and Isolation Location: Military personnel ordered into quarantine or isolation will be directed by their Commander or supervisor to quarantine/isolate in either a facility or room under the control or maintenance of the Fort Knox Garrison Commander or into another designated location (e.g., at their barracks, home, or in their quarters).

7. Prohibited activities and standards for military personnel ordered into a quarantine or isolation facility or room controlled or maintained by the Fort Knox Garrison Commander.

a. All military personnel undergoing quarantine or isolation will remain in their assigned room at all times, unless otherwise directed by lawful authority. Unless approved for residence quarantine by public health officials, the Fort Knox Garrison

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Commander, or his designee, will assign rooms to all military personnel identified for quarantine or isolation.

b. Contact with Non-Quarantined and Non-Isolation Personnel. Military personnel ordered into quarantine or isolation will have no physical contact with other persons, with the exception of medical personnel or, in cases of emergencies, law enforcement personnel, unless otherwise directed by lawful authority. Food, laundry, and other personal services will be coordinated through the Fort Knox Garrison Commander or his designee, with support provided by the quarantined/isolated individual's unit.

c. All quarantined and isolated military personnel will comply with the directives of the Fort Knox Garrison Commander, his designees, and medical personnel, including any directives concerning the virus monitoring process. Quarantined military personnel will immediately inform medical personnel if they exhibit any potential symptoms of the COVID-19 virus.

8. All military personnel directed into quarantine or isolation in a facility or room that is not under the control or maintenance of the Fort Knox Garrison Commander (e.g., an off-post residence), will comply with the following requirements during their period of ordered quarantine/isolation:

a. Individuals will, where possible, separate themselves from other people in the home/dwelling, avoid sharing personal items, and avoid sharing bedrooms and bathrooms.

b. Individuals will not travel, visit public/crowded areas, or use public transportation.

c. Individuals will comply with all virus monitoring processes directed by their command, supervisor, or medical personnel. Quarantined military personnel will immediately inform their command and medical personnel if they exhibit any potential symptoms of the COVID-19 virus.

d. Individuals will report to their command or directorate any inability to comply with any requirement contained within this order.

9. Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Schools, Child Development Centers, "Family Child Care," and "Home-Based Care." Parents, guardians, visitors, students, and children participating in DoDEA schools, CDCs, and DFMWR-regulated "Family Child Care" and "Home-Based Care" are expected to comply with the policies and individual instructions of officials at these activities. Based on limited vaccination availability and conditions within, child and youth services sites are expected to continue to require face coverings as the facility director determines. Failure to comply may result in the violator's exclusion from the activity as well as possible sanctions from installation authorities, including potential exclusion from the installation.

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10. DA civilians, contractor personnel, and other civilians are advised that these directives are being implemented in order to ensure the safety and welfare of the Fort Knox community. Civilians and Family Members will adhere to these directives, the directives issued by unit or activity commanders, and any applicable local, state, and federal orders and guidelines. Failure to comply with instructions of public health and emergency management officials may lead to administrative action or an installation or facility bar order.

11. ROTC Cadre and Cadets.

a. Except as noted in subparagraph b below, ROTC cadre and cadets will comply with all federal, state, local, and campus directives that are applicable to their duty locations or residences. Cadre will coordinate with their brigades on issues where federal operations may be constrained by state or local orders. Cadets who fail to comply with the directives of competent authority face potential administrative action, including probation or disenrollment.

b. Travel to and from Cadet Summer Training takes precedence over any applicable state, local, or campus law or policy.

12. Public Health Expectations.

a. All persons subject to this order will observe published guidance for vaccinated and unvaccinated persons from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html> and posted Health Protection Conditions (HPCON) practices to avoid the spread of COVID-19. Specifically, reference (j) states persons who are fully vaccinated (who are at least two weeks beyond their final dose) are no longer required to wear a mask indoors and outdoors. All persons on Fort Knox may be required to show proof of vaccination in order to access and remain in Fort Knox workplaces and facilities without wearing a mask. Personal validation by an individual regarding their own vaccination status in order to access or remain unmasked in installation facilities is not a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) disclosure, and individuals may elect to continue mask wear in lieu of validating their vaccination.

b. Patrons of all on-post activities will comply with posted HPCON guidance at each individual activity to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

c. Commanders may institute stricter COVID mitigation measures where they deem applicable for their mission.

13. Quarantine and Isolation. Individuals subject to this General Order are expected to comply with all federal, state, and local laws, policies, and procedures with respect to quarantine and isolation. Commanders and supervisors will support their military

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personnel ordered into quarantine or isolation. Support includes assisting both the quarantined/isolated service member and the Fort Knox Garrison Commander, or his designee, in obtaining necessary comfort, food, entertainment, and personal services while the service member remains in quarantine or isolation.

14. Waivers and Amendments. Requests for waivers of any provision of this General Order must be submitted by the endorsing command, through the chain of command to me for decision. Subordinate commanders may impose additional restrictions consistent with this General Order if necessary for good order and discipline. They do not have the authority to unilaterally grant exceptions or exemptions to its provisions without my authority unless such authority is specifically provided herein. Any additional restrictions imposed by a commander will be forwarded to the Installation Operations Center.

15. Punitive Order. The provisions of paragraphs 5, 7.a-c, 8.a-d, and 12.a-b are punitive for military personnel. Military personnel violating or failing to obey this order are subject to appropriate administrative, non-judicial, and/or judicial action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ).

16. Effective Date/Expiration. This order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until rescinded.

17. The point of contact for this Order is the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate, Fort Knox, at (502) 624-1255.

  
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