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## **GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 1 (Amended 3 February 2022)**

**TITLE:** COVID-19 Public Health Measures for Personnel within USAG Wiesbaden under the Authority of the Senior Responsible Officer (SRO)

AUTHORITY. Article 11, NATO Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA), 19 June 1951; 19 June 1951; Article 54, Supplemental Agreement to NATO Status of Forces Agreement, 29 March 1998; 10 U.S.C. Chapter47 (Uniform Code of Military Justice); HQDA General Order No. 2008- 01, General Court-Martial Convening Authority, 11 March 2008; Army in Europe Regulation (AER) 10-5, Organizations and Functions, 5 December 2019; AER 27-9, Misconduct by Civilians, 22 November 2011; AER 27-10, Military Justice and Legal Services, 19 August 2014.

APPLICABILITY. This General Order applies to all individuals stationed, assigned, attached and/or present on military installations within USAG Wiesbaden SRO area of responsibility, to include Soldiers, Department of Defense and Department of the Army Civilians, Family Members, other affiliated personnel and those present on, or seeking access to, the military installations of USAG Wiesbaden. This General Order supersedes General Order Number 1 (GO-1), amended 30 June 2021, until further notice.

- 1. STATEMENT OF MILITARY PURPOSE AND NECESSITY. This General Order identifies conduct that is prejudicial to the good order, discipline, readiness, health and safety of all personnel within USAG Wiesbaden for preventing the spread of COVID-19. The restrictions on activities is essential to preserving mission readiness and the health of Soldiers, Civilians and Families affiliated with USAG-Wiesbaden.
- 2. PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES. Public health measures, to include restrictions on travel and freedom of movement enacted by host nation governments in response to COVID-19, will be obeyed both on and off military installations. Deviations to host nation guidance and requirements will be approved by the SRO and published through USAG Wiesbaden. Public Health may direct additional individual testing if deemed necessary for public safety. Personnel subject to this General Order may utilize any host nation business or establishment that is lawfully operating in accordance with host nation rules.
  - a. Restriction of Movement (ROM).
- (1) Service members, civilians, family members, and contractors are restricted to their residence or an appropriate ROM facility for **no less than <u>5</u> days**, when:

- when having been in known close contact with someone that is COVID-19 positive (this type of ROM is referred to as Quarantine); or
- when having been found positive for COVID (this type of ROM is referred to as isolation)
- on unofficial travel from, or having travelled through, any location for which the Host Nation requires a period of self-isolation or ROM;
- (2) Service members, civilians, family members, and contractors who have not completed a primary vaccination series are restricted to their residence or an appropriate ROM facility for **no less than 10 days**, when conducting official travel to USAG Wiesbaden from any location outside of Germany. A reduction of ROM from 10 days to 7 days is authorized with a negative PCR taken no earlier than Day 5 of ROM. Positive test results will require isolation and may require additional days of ROM.

## b. COVID Positive Cases.

- (1) Service members, civilians, family members, and contractors who test positive for COVID-19, regardless of vaccination status, will ROM and remain out of the workplace for **no less than five (5) days**. Individuals may return to the workplace after five (5) days if they are asymptomatic and afebrile (no fever) for more than 24 hours without fever reducing medication.
- (2) Mask wear must continue in all DoD facilities for an additional five (5) days after ROM, even in circumstances in which mask wearing is not required by any other DOD guidance.
- (3) Personnel who test positive for COVID must immediately notify their chain of command or supervisor.

## c. ROM Exceptions.

- (1) On post exceptions to close contact and travel related on-post ROM outlined in 2.a are applicable when the individual:
- Is less than 6 months since completion of the primary series with an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer/Biontech/Comirnaty or Moderna);
- Completed series and received an FDA licensed or WHO-recognized booster dose;
- Is less than 2 months since receiving a Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 vaccine dose as a primary vaccination;
  - Ages 5-17 years and completed the primary series of COVID vaccines;
- Previously confirmed COVID-19 within the last 90 days and are documented and recovered.

- (2) Families with a mix of vaccinated and unvaccinated family members will ensure unvaccinated family members follow ROM requirements outlined in paragraph 2 a, b and c. Additionally, ROM periods <u>may be extended</u> based on last known exposure if family members test COVID positive.
- d. Travel. Before traveling, personnel will use the U.S. Department of State COVID-19 country specific information page, <a href="https://go.usa.gov/xG4C8">https://go.usa.gov/xG4C8</a>, and <a href="https://go.usa.gov/xG4C8">https://go.usa.gov/xG4C8</a
- e. Household visitors. All individuals subject to this GO and residing off post are required to limit household guests to the same restrictions required by the local host nation governments in which they reside. See ROM Standards memorandum for additional guidance.
- f. Individuals may conduct physical fitness and recreation activities within the parameters set by host nation and installation policies. See ROM Standards memorandum for additional guidance.
  - g. Service Members residing in barracks.
- (1) Individuals living in barracks may leave their rooms or suites for the same reasons, and go to the same places, as individuals who live in on-post housing or off post. Suitemates are considered as occupants of the same household in terms of host nation restrictions.
- (2) Local unit commanders will assess health protection conditions in their barracks and ensure policies and practices are in place and enforced to prevent the spread of COVID-19 virus. Specifically, visitor policies, use of PPE, cleaning of common areas, and the enforcement of physical distancing must be in place and enforced.
- **3. PUNITIVE ORDER.** This order is punitive. Persons subject to the UCMJ may be punished according to its provisions or face adverse administrative action. Persons not subject to the UCMJ may face termination of employment, revocation of security clearance and administrative sanctions imposed under AER 27-9, to include revocation of logistical support privileges, termination of access to Government housing facilities, bars to the installation, or involuntary early return of dependents. Host nation civil and criminal penalties may also be imposed.
- **4. INDIVIDUAL DUTY.** Individuals subject to this General Order have the individual duty to know and understand these prohibitions. Individuals have a further duty to become familiar with and respect the laws and regulations of the local host nation regarding

COVID prevention.

- 5. UNIT COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITY. Commanders will ensure their personnel are briefed on the prohibitions and requirements of this order. Commanders will further ensure dissemination of host nation restrictions as they are published. Commanders, not below the Company, Battery or Detachment level (and equivalent grade civilian supervisory leave approval authorities) will process and approve leaves, passes, or other unofficial travel in accordance with this policy.
- **6. EXCEPTION AUTHORITY.** Commanders in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and above may grant written exceptions to this policy on a case-by-case basis. If an individual is unable to identify a Commander in the grade of Lieutenant Colonel or above, they are required to submit any request for an exception to this policy to the Deputy Garrison Commander, USAG Wiesbaden for approval or denial by the Garrison Commander, USAG Wiesbaden. Exception authority for ROM requirements is the first GO/SES in the chain of command or supervision unless withheld to a higher approval authority.
- 7. FURTHER RESTRICTIONS. Unit Commanders have the authority to institute further restrictions in keeping with paragraph 1, "Statement of Military Purpose and Necessity" of this General Order. Any further restrictions shall be submitted to the Garrison Legal Advisor, Military and Civil Law Division USAREUR-AF Office of the Judge Advocate for legal review prior to implementation.
- 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This General Order is effective immediately. It will remain in effect until rescinded or superseded by a new General Order.

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