

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 502D AIR BASE WING JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO



10 Dec 21

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND JBSA TENANT UNITS

SUBJECT: JBSA COVID-19 Guidance Memorandum #62 – Return to mask-wear requirement inside all DoD facilities

BLUF: Return to mask-wear requirement inside all DoD facilities, effective 13 Dec 21.

Leaders,

COVID-19 transmission rates for the JBSA community and the surrounding counties have reached levels that justify a change to the mask-wear policy for JBSA personnel, in accordance with Department of Defense guidance. The JBSA community is in the substantial range for COVID-19, and the Bexar County community has reached substantial levels of transmission for COVID-19. After reviewing this data and in consultation with our Public Health Emergency Officers and our legal office, all JBSA personnel, regardless of vaccinations status, are required to wear masks when indoors in DoD-controlled facilities.

Per guidance from the Secretary of Defense, dated 28 Jul 21, as well as supplemental Department of the Air Force guidance, JBSA will re-implement the mask-wear requirement effective 13 Dec 21.

Unit commanders may implement stricter policies, if appropriate for mission needs, but may not implement a more relaxed policy. Service members, federal employees, onsite contractor employees, and visitors who are not fully vaccinated must continue to wear masks on the installation and follow applicable Centers for Disease Control and DoD Force Health Protection guidance.

There are no changes to current HPCON restrictions (occupancy limits, exemption requests, etc.)

Units should begin measures immediately to ensure smooth implementation of the mask-wear policy.

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