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MEMORANDUM

From: Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka  
To: Fleet Activities Yokosuka

Subj: MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 ONBOARD FLEET  
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Ref: (a) COMUSFJ Public Health Emergency Declaration dtd 18 Dec 20  
(b) COMUSFJ Public Health Order 21-003, dtd 3 Sep 21  
(c) DoD Instruction 6200.03 of 28 Mar 19  
(d) COMPACFLT 280235Z MAY 21X  
(e) DSD Memorandum: Updated Mask Guidance for all DoD Installations and Other  
Facilities, dtd 28 Jul 21  
(f) CNFJ/CNRJ memo dtd 3 Aug 21  
(g) CNFJ/CNRJ memo dtd 22 Jun 21  
(h) USFJ Liberty Order for U.S. Military Forces Located or Operating in Japan dtd 2 Mar 20  
(i) CNFJ/CNRJ memo dtd 31 Aug 16  
(j) COMFLEACT Yokosuka memo dtd 1 Oct 21

Encl: (1) Liberty Area Map

1. Per reference (a), Commander, United States Forces Japan issued a public health emergency for all installations in Japan in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Continuing to control the spread of this virus is impossible without personal accountability and individual sacrifice from every Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) member (service members, dependents, United States civil servants, and contractors) and Master Labor Contract (MLC)/Indirect Hiring Agreement (IHA) employee on this installation. Our efforts thus far have been effective in controlling the spread of this virus and improving conditions have allowed for the gradual easing of policy. We cannot, however, lose sight of our mission to stay healthy and be ready to fight.

2. In accordance with references (a) through (i), the following measures are necessary to accomplish the military mission of Fleet Activities (FLEACT) Yokosuka and its tenant commands, and to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of personnel assigned to or residing onboard the installation. SOFA personnel and MLC/IHA employees assigned or attached to FLEACT Yokosuka or its tenant commands may engage in approved activities in accordance with the following requirements:

a. Curfew. A Health Protection Curfew remains for all SOFA personnel between the hours of 2200 and 0500 in HIGHER RISK liberty areas. In HIGHER RISK liberty areas, SOFA personnel will return to their residence or to a NORMAL RISK liberty area while the curfew is in effect. If on approved leave, SOFA personnel will return to an approved hotel accommodation in the HIGHER RISK liberty area during curfew hours. In NORMAL RISK liberty areas, all Service members must vacate bars and establishments whose primary purpose is serving alcohol after 0000. Personnel are cautioned that the USFJ standard curfew and CNRJ liberty policy is also still applicable in Japan. See references (h) and (i).

b. Hotels. Hotels are authorized for purposes of liberty in NORMAL RISK liberty areas in addition to TAD/TDY or as otherwise approved by a unit commander or activity head for the purpose of leave.

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c. Mass Transit. Mass transit is authorized. Personnel are cautioned to minimize their use of mass transit, avoid crowded lines and times, and maintain the mitigation measures set forth in this memo.

d. Off-limits establishments. In **Normal Risk** areas, there are no off-limits establishments. Refer to paragraph 2m(3) for off-limits activities in the higher risk liberty areas.

e. Physical distancing. Personnel shall, to the maximum extent possible, maintain at least six feet, or two meters, between themselves and any member of another household unless mission needs dictate otherwise. This paragraph does not apply to members of the same household.

f. Face coverings. Per reference (e), FLEACT Yokosuka is no longer a substantial of high community transmission area. Fully immunized personnel (two weeks beyond final dose) are no longer mandated to wear face coverings. As such, FLEACT Yokosuka will implement the following mask guidance.

(1) FLEACT Yokosuka-affiliated personnel, regardless of vaccination status, will continue to wear masks off installation, or while interacting with host nation personnel regardless of location.

(2) FLEACT Yokosuka-affiliated personnel who are not fully vaccinated will continue to wear masks both on and off installation.

(3) Regardless of vaccination status, all personnel will continue to wear masks while in military treatment facilities and Department of Defense Educational Activity (DoDEA) facilities.

(4) Outdoors while on the installation, and when not in contact with host nation personnel, vaccinated individuals are no longer required to wear masks if they so choose. Masks are still required, however, while transiting through any entry control point, both arriving and departing the installation. Masks are also required to be worn by all personnel while using installation mass transportation services, at the Commander, FLEACT Yokosuka Visitor Control Center and Vehicle Registration Office.

(5) Indoors, and when not in contact with host nation personnel, unit Commanders and or activity directors will assess the composition of unvaccinated host nation personnel within their facilities and post required signage at the entrance to all facilities to direct the appropriate mask wear policies. Any area where mask use may be relaxed must be clearly marked and include identification of the policy authorizing official. By default, all indoor areas that are not specifically marked should be considered mandatory mask wear areas.

(6) All personnel shall carry a mask on their person or in their possession at all times so that they may don a mask when required in order to comply with references (f) and (g).

(7) Commanders are responsible to ensure proper mask utilization by all assigned personnel, to include areas not under their direct cognizance both on and off installation.

(8) In addition to the above guidance, all personnel may choose to not wear a mask in the following circumstances:

- When an individual is alone in an office with floor-to-ceiling walls with a closed door.
- For brief periods of time when eating and drinking while maintaining distancing in accordance with CDC guidelines and instructions from commanders and supervisors.
- When necessary to reasonably accommodate an individual with a disability.
- When necessary to reasonably accommodate participation in a religious service.

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- When outdoors, including for physical fitness, and appropriate physical distancing can be maintained in accordance with CDC guidance.
- As otherwise noted in reference (e).

g. Hygiene, etiquette, and exposure duration. Personnel are reminded to minimize their risk of exposure to COVID-19 by washing their hands frequently, not touching their face, not shaking hands, practicing cough/sneeze etiquette, and limiting the time personnel are exposed to individuals from another household or to high-traffic areas where individuals from other households typically congregate. If using public transportation as permitted by this order, personnel are encouraged to wear at least one glove while touching handrails, and then wash their hands immediately upon completion of travel. Personnel who are experiencing any symptoms of illness will inform their immediate supervisor, seek medical care, and not report to work.

h. Close contact tracing. In accordance with references (a) and (b), fully vaccinated personnel are no longer required to maintain a close contact log. Unvaccinated personnel shall continue to maintain a 14-day close contact and travel tracker. Unvaccinated individuals shall maintain a close contact list of 10 or fewer close contacts.

i. Group size limits. When on and off installation, no gathering limits are imposed. Individuals are reminded that every individual in the group shall be listed on their close contact log, in accordance with 2(h). If one member of a group later tests positive for COVID-19, all members of that group and the members of each individual's household may be required to quarantine for a minimum of 14 days. Unvaccinated persons should act with caution as they remain the most vulnerable to transmission and infection. If not immunized, individuals should continue to keep as few close contacts as possible to avoid the consequences of infection and quarantine in the community.

j. Religious services. Personnel may attend off-installation religious services and places of worship provided they comply with COVID-19 mitigation measures to include maintaining a physical distance of six feet from others to the maximum extent possible, wearing face coverings when in close contact with others, and abiding by the precautions recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for communities of faith.

k. Unaccompanied Housing. Residents of Unaccompanied Housing (UH) may receive visitors in their assigned housing buildings, provided the mitigation measures of this memo are maintained.

l. DoD Installations. Travel between DoD installations in Japan is authorized with no unnecessary stops outside the approved liberty area. In a Higher Risk area, individuals may stay overnight at a DoD-owned and operated accommodation.

m. Liberty area. For the purpose of this policy, the liberty area is divided into three categories: **Normal Risk** (**GREEN** areas in enclosure 1) and **Higher Risk** (**YELLOW** areas in enclosure 1), and Off-Limits (**BLACK** areas in enclosure 1). \*NOTE: **Higher Risk** areas may be located within otherwise **Normal Risk** areas.

(1) The **Normal Risk** liberty areas include: **Mainland Japan islands of Honshu, Kyushu, Shikoku, Hokkaido, and Okinawa.** See enclosure(1).

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(2) Within **Normal Risk** areas, off-installation indoor dining at restaurants is permitted in facilities that support physical distancing and health protection measures to prevent COVID-19. Patronizing aquariums, amusement parks, museums, outdoor sporting venues, and zoos is authorized in the **Normal Risk** liberty areas. Personnel are advised to exercise caution, avoid crowded areas, and to follow the health protection measures described in this memo.

(3) The **Higher Risk** liberty areas include: None. See enclosure (1).

(4) In the **Higher Risk** areas, hotel stays are NOT authorized for purposes of liberty unless it is a DoD-owned and operated accommodation. Additionally, personnel dining outdoors are cautioned: maintain physical distancing from other patrons; wear masks when not eating; and limit conversations when masks are not worn. Also, all bars, chuhai stands, izakayas, night clubs, lounges, festivals, indoor sporting events, karaoke, pachinko parlors, amusement parks, zoos, aquariums, museums, arcades, and the like are off-limits for all personnel.

(5) In the **Higher Risk** areas there are no restrictions on fitness centers, swimming pools, spas, and onsens. Additionally, dining indoors at restaurants off-installation is permitted for groups of 5 or less (or one family group). Indoor dining should be conducted in facilities that offer ample physical distancing between assigned seating at individual tables (counter seating and bar seating are not authorized for dining).

(6) In the **Higher Risk** areas personnel can request an exception to policy for all activities that are off-limits. This authority will be delegated to the Unit Commanding Officer or Activity Directors. This will allow Commanders to have flexibility to assess risk to their unit's mission based on the impact of COVID-19 cases. Exception to policy requests may only be granted on a case-by-case basis.

(7) In the **OFF-LIMITS** area, individuals may conduct only essential and mission-essential travel and activities. All other activities outside the liberty area are prohibited. Exceptions to CNRJ/CNFJ policy are required to visit this locations.

3. Mission-essential activities include:

- a. Medical or dental appointments.
- b. Employment.
- c. Education.
- d. Vehicle registration and maintenance.
- e. Paying bills or taxes.
- f. Conducting business with government offices.
- g. Pet care from veterinary providers or kennels.
- h. Within a 3 km radius of an individual's own residence, individuals may purchase food, fuel, or other key essentials.

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- i. Within a 3 km radius of an individual's own residence outside the liberty area, individuals may engage in outdoor exercise like running, walking, cycling, or hiking in sparsely populated and low traffic areas. Outdoor water recreation activities (e.g. kayaking, paddle-boarding, and surfing) are also permitted.
4. Unit commanders may grant leave inside and outside of the local liberty area. When on leave within the liberty area, personnel must still follow the restrictions in this memorandum. For the policy on granting leave, follow reference (g).
5. If you feel sick, stay home. Personnel who feel sick should not report to work or engage in activities onboard the installation until they have contacted a medical provider at the United States Naval Hospital Yokosuka or their Command Medical Authority, and their chain of the command.
6. 50% workforce reduction remains authorized for all FLEACT Yokosuka tenant commands. Commands may continue to use telework, alternate, and shift work schedules to reduce risk.
7. Commands are encouraged to identify high-risk personnel (those who are particularly susceptible to serious health complications if they were to contract COVID-19) and personnel with living or commuting arrangements that make it impossible to abide by the above requirements and restrictions, and implement telework to the maximum extent possible for those personnel. Similarly, commands are encouraged to identify personnel who reside with individuals who cannot abide by the above requirements and restrictions in order to implement telework to the maximum extent possible for those personnel.
8. Notwithstanding any restriction or requirement of this memorandum, FLEACT Yokosuka may adjust any physical distancing requirements, group-size limits, or any other restrictions or requirements for the purpose of executing FLEACT Yokosuka sponsored events and programs.
9. This memorandum applies to active-duty and reserve service members, retirees, military dependents, civilian employees, contractors, host nation civilian employees and anyone who either has or is requesting access to this installation unless otherwise stated. This memorandum is punitive and constitutes a lawful order for service members. Service members may be subject to administrative and/or disciplinary action under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) for non-compliance. All others are strongly encouraged to comply. Non-compliance will result in denied access to the installation for a minimum period of 14 days and may be subject to administrative action (i.e., curtailment, installation debarment, or Early Return to the United States).
10. Reference (j) is hereby cancelled and is superseded by this memo.



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## Health Protection Policies



### Off-limits areas:

-- Exception to CNRJ/CNFJ policy required to visit these locations



### High-risk liberty areas:

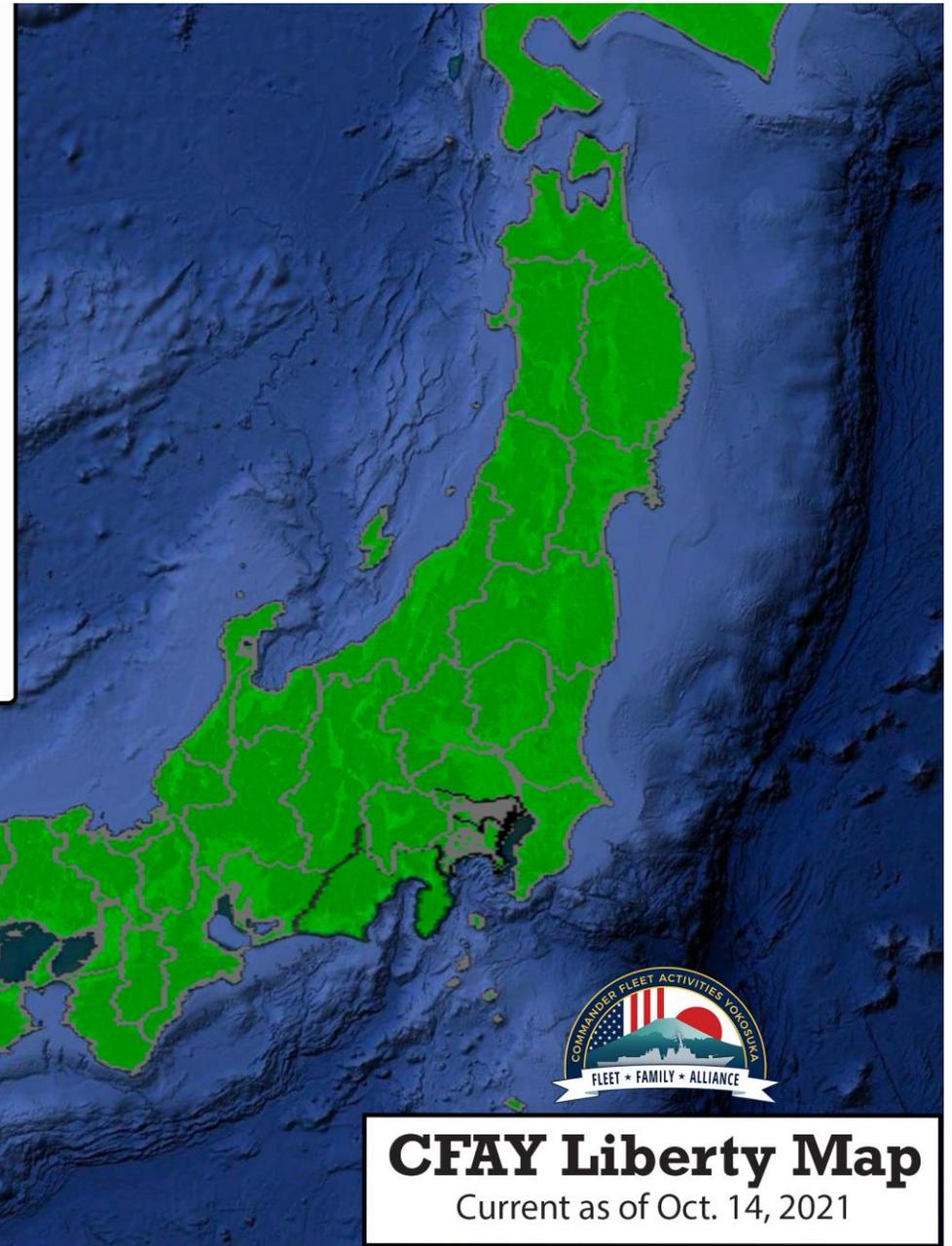
- Nightly curfew from 2200-0500
- Indoor dining is permitted for groups of 5 or less (or one family group)
- No overnight hotel stays, except for DoD-owned and operated hotels
- Bars, izakayas, chu-hai stands and the like are off-limits.
- No amusement parks, zoos, aquariums or museums are permitted



### Normal risk liberty area: Honshu (mainland Japan), Kyushu, Shikoku, Hokkaido, and Okinawa

-- Outdoor ticketed sporting events tattoo parlors, concerts, music halls, arcades, amusement parks, and theaters are authorized

-- **Masks are required to be worn off base at all times, regardless of your immunization status.**



## CFAY Liberty Map

Current as of Oct. 14, 2021

