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Ref: (a) USFJ Public Health Emergency Declaration for Japan dtd 4 Sep 20  
(b) USFJ Force Public Health Order 21-006 of 11 Aug 21  
(c) DoD Instruction 6200.03  
(d) IIIMEF/MARFORJ COVID-19 Outbreak Response EXORD 21-001 incorporating FRAGOs 001 through 019  
(e) MCIPAC COVID-19 Outbreak EXORD 21-001  
(f) MARADMIN 354/21  
(h) DoD Force Health Protection Guidance (supplement 17) Revision 1 – Department of Defense Guidance for the use of Masks, Personal Protective Equipment, and Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions During the COVID-19 Pandemic  
(i) Deputy Secretary of Defense Memorandum dtd 28 July 2021 – Updated Mask Guidance for all DoD Installations and Other Facilities  
(j) LOI for Changes to MCAS Iwakuni COVID-19 Testing Protocols dtd 4 May 21

Encl: (1) MCAS Iwakuni ROM Guidance Diagram  
(2) MCAS Iwakuni Events and Gatherings COVID-19 Mitigation Recommendations Checklist  
(3) Request for Inoculated Individual to Travel to a High Risk Area within Japan

1. Purpose. The purpose of this Order is to provide guidance and direction for all persons with access to Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Iwakuni regarding requirements and procedures to gain and maintain access to MCAS Iwakuni.

2. Cancellation

a. MCASO 6220.1X

3. Situation.

a. On 15 April 2020, the Commander, United States (U.S.) Forces Japan (USFJ) declared a Public Health Emergency for all U.S. military installations in Japan authorizing Commanders to take all necessary means to control this Public Health Emergency, reissued on 1 July 2021 per reference (a). Accordingly, this Order identifies conduct that is detrimental to the health and safety of MCAS Iwakuni. It provides requirements for service members; Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) status civilians, contractors, and dependents; Master Labor Contract (MLC) / Indirect Hire Agreement (IHA) employees; and all other persons with access to MCAS Iwakuni.

This Order is intended to be temporary in nature to address the current health crisis and will be periodically reviewed to ensure it remains relevant and necessary.

b. This is a punitive order; military personnel who violate this Order are subject to punishment under Articles 92 and 84, as applicable, of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Failure to comply with this Order by civilians may result in administrative sanctions including loss of access to installation facilities.

c. For the purposes of this order, individuals are considered unvaccinated if they are not fully vaccinated. Full vaccination is defined as 14 days or more after receipt of a second dose in a two-dose vaccine series or 14 days or more after receipt of a single-dose vaccine. Vaccinated shall refer only to those that are fully vaccinated.

4. Mission. To limit the risk of COVID-19 affecting the base while maintaining essential mission functions, life and emergency services, essential services, and command and control activities, to protect the force and ensure MCAS Iwakuni remains postured to support station and tenant missions.

5. Execution

a. Commander's Intent and Concept of Operations

(1) Commander's Intent. To prevent the spread of COVID-19 and protect the force by implementing prevention and mitigation activities. All personnel with access to MCAS Iwakuni must do their part to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 transmission by practicing heightened hygiene measures and avoiding activities that pose a heightened risk of exposure to COVID-19. The total commitment of everyone aboard MCAS Iwakuni is required to contain the spread of the virus.

(2) Concept of Operations. All persons with access to MCAS Iwakuni will comply with the directives of Higher Headquarters (HHQs) and the requirements set forth within this Order. Commanders, Officers-In-Charge (OICs), Directors, and Supervisors will ensure that their respective members are aware of and follow the requirements contained herein.

b. Subordinate Element Missions. Comply with applicable HHQ directives and the contents of this Order.

c. Coordinating Instructions

(1) Service members, SOFA civilians, contractors, MLC/IHA employees and all others who access MCAS Iwakuni are required to adhere to the requirements of this Order. The failure to follow these requirements may result in the loss of installation access privileges, administrative sanctions, early return of dependents, and/or tour curtailment. Due to the differing circumstances between SOFA members and local nationals who access the base, local nationals should discuss these requirements with their supervisors for guidance. Exceptions to

the below listed requirements can be made on a case-by-case basis per paragraph (13) below.

(2) Commanders, Department Heads, Officers-In-Charge (OICs), Directors, and Supervisors of SOFA status civilian employees, contractors, and MLC/IHA employees may continue normal in-office activity while practicing social distancing and complying with COVID-19 mitigation requirements such as wearing a mask.

(a) Scheduled and situational telework, and alternative work schedules, are authorized as normal.

(b) Continue to assess the behaviors and activities of civilian employees and contractors. The employee's supervisor should use all tools at their disposal to mitigate any risks, including telework, administrative leave, alternative work schedules, etc. Non-compliance with the prohibited activities and individual protective measures in this order will place the employee in a high risk category. High risk employees will not be allowed to access the base or use base facilities for 14 days unless an Exception to Policy (ETP) is approved as described below.

(c) Have candid conversations with every employee to help determine any high risk activity or behavior. Explain why these mitigation measures are necessary and ensure the employee understands the intent of this order. Explain to employees who have their access to base restricted that the restriction is necessary to protect the base and once the risk is mitigated they will resume base access.

(d) Ensure that all service members, civilian employees, and contractors understand their responsibilities in the event that they start to experience symptoms consistent with COVID-19. Once experiencing symptoms they are required to immediately self-isolate in their residence, contact their chain of command or supervisor, and then the Branch Health Clinic (BHC) (255-8302) or health provider. Under no circumstances are they allowed to work or continue their daily routine.

### **(3) Regulations for Off-Installation Travel and Liberty**

(a) Unvaccinated personnel are authorized to travel within Japan so long as they do not travel to areas designated as high risk for exposure to COVID-19. These areas will be annotated as the "Red Zone" on the air station's Authorized Travel Areas map located on the station webpage. Individuals may travel via personally owned vehicle (POV) or public transportation through high risk locations to reach an authorized area. All other USFJ facilities are considered authorized areas. **Individuals traveling from another installation in Japan are not required to undergo ROM procedure (Bubble-to-Bubble travel). This includes individuals assigned to other USFJ facilities who reside off-base, even if that residence is located in a Red Zone.** When traveling through high risk areas, travelers are only permitted to engage in activities necessary to facilitate arrival at their final destination via the most direct route possible. For example, individuals may purchase required fuel, stop for restroom breaks, etc. in high risk areas when necessary for continued travel.

(b) Personnel, regardless of vaccination status, are not authorized to travel to prefectures under a State of Emergency as declared by the Government of Japan. An Exception to Policy may be approved by an O-5 commander or Detachment OIC for travel for an official purpose (i.e. TAD travel or pick up/drop off at an airport) or to another U.S. Installation (including a U.S. consulate office).

(c) Per CDC guidance, for intra-Japan travel, vaccinated personnel (14 days after a two dose series or single dose vaccine) are permitted to travel to and stay in Red Zones within Japan and will not incur ROM by doing so. Unvaccinated personnel are still prohibited from traveling to Red Zones within Japan. Vaccinated personnel may participate in all off base activities. Vaccinated personnel are prohibited from transporting unvaccinated personnel without an approved ETP to a Red Zone.

1. Vaccinated individuals assigned TAD to installations in States of Emergency Prefectures are authorized to take local liberty in that prefecture if adhering to that installation's policies and procedures for liberty. Unvaccinated individuals who conduct TAD in Red Zones or State of Emergency Prefectures within Japan will incur a ROM requirement upon return from TAD.

2. In order to travel to and remain in Red Zones, dependents not employed on base must be vaccinated and shall not travel with any unvaccinated personnel. Failure to adhere to these requirements may result in administrative action as outlined in paragraph 3(b) above.

(d) A list and map of the current Red and Green Zones, along with prefectures currently under a State of Emergency (which will be denoted by purple on the base map), is maintained by MCAS Iwakuni Communication Strategy and Operations Department and is available at <https://www.mcasiwakuni.marines.mil>.

(e) Per CDC guidance, for intra-Japan travel on official orders or via Space A, personnel who are vaccinated are no longer required to ROM after flying between U.S. installations within Japan on the Patriot Express. **\*\*This does not remove the USFJ ROM requirements for personnel coming into Japan from another country.\*\***

(f) The use of rental cars, and public transportation to include taxis, buses, trains, subways, and ferries is permitted.

(g) The use of the Shinkansen and commercial air travel is authorized.

(h) There is no limit to the number of people who may travel in a POV together. However, face coverings must be used as outlined below.

(i) Off-base overnight lodging is authorized within all of Japan for vaccinated personnel and within areas not designated as Red Zones for unvaccinated personnel. Examples of permitted lodging for unvaccinated individuals are hotels, off base residences, cabins, or rental

homes (i.e. Air B-n-B) where the participants are renting the entire home. Camping also remains permitted.

(j) Personnel are authorized to patronize tattoo and massage parlors.

(k) All legally accessible off base activities and establishments, to include bars, nightclubs, and karaoke clubs, are open to vaccinated individuals. All personnel must maintain proof of vaccination on their person at all times when going to approved off base establishments and produce documentation upon request. Personnel's vaccination card or a photograph of the card shall suffice as proof of their vaccination status. All vaccinated personnel will comply with any local COVID mitigation measures prefectures or cities. All personnel will comply with local commands liberty guidance when traveling to another area.

(l) The following are prohibited for all unvaccinated individuals in all areas: mass gathering events; large groups; high density events or activities (indoors and outdoors) that preclude social distancing; off base bars, nightclubs, disco clubs, lounges, karaoke clubs, and establishments that restrict entry to adults only.

(m) In cases where any personnel has a visitor from a Red Zone, the following restrictions apply:

1. Vaccinated visitors or personnel from a Red Zone are not authorized to access base without an ETP approved by the MCAS Iwakuni Commander or in cases of bubble-to-bubble travel as described above.

2. If an unvaccinated visitor from a Red Zone stays with air station personnel at their off base residence, unvaccinated personnel in the household will not be permitted access to the installation until 10 days following the departure of the unvaccinated visitor. Vaccinated members of the household are permitted to access the installation while hosting an unvaccinated visitor.

3. Vaccinated personnel from a Red Zone shall be allowed to access base with O-5 level approval or in cases of bubble-to-bubble travel as described above.

4. If a vaccinated visitor from a Red Zone stays with a vaccinated host off base, the vaccinated host will not incur a ROM requirement and can continue to access the base. If the host is unvaccinated, they will incur a 10 day ROM requirement.

#### **(4) Social Distancing and Mask Requirements**

(a) To the max extent practicable, all personnel, including children, should limit social interactions where 6 feet of separation cannot be achieved. Parents and guardians should attempt to maintain social distancing where interaction is likely, such as playgrounds and outdoor activities. This provision does not apply to training, organized educational or daycare settings that otherwise comply with appropriate COVID mitigation measures or to interactions between

family members.

(b) There is to be no specific limit to the number of people who can attend gatherings either on base or off base; however, members must practice social distancing and use face coverings as outlined below. Avoid confined spaces when attending gatherings indoors. When planning events on or off base, commanders and supervisors shall utilize the MCAS Iwakuni Events and Gatherings COVID-19 Mitigation Recommendations Checklist (encl 2) for official events.

(c) Limit social interactions among children where 6 feet of separation cannot be achieved. Parents and guardians should supervise outdoor activities where interaction is likely, such as playgrounds, to ensure social distancing is maintained.

(d) While on the installation, all unvaccinated personnel shall wear face coverings while indoors. Vaccinated individuals are no longer required to wear face masks indoors in work places. Masks are still mandatory in all MCCS, DoDEA, DECA, and Medical facilities. All individuals will also comply with posted mask requirements in other facilities. Vaccinated close contacts will adhere to mask requirements described below in paragraph 9.g.

(e) In the case of a positive case for a unit or work section, masks will be required indoors in those work spaces by all personnel in that unit or work section until that positive case is deemed recovered by a competent medical authority.

(f) All personnel will wear a mask off installation, regardless of vaccination status, unless actively engaged in physical exercise.

(g) All personnel, regardless of vaccination status, are no longer required to wear masks outdoors on MCAS Iwakuni, as long as they are not in contact with host nation personnel. Personnel are required to comply with additional guidance which may be passed during mass gathering events, such as Unit PT.

(h) Only those on-base home businesses that have an approved COVID-19 mitigation plan are authorized to conduct business. COVID-19 mitigation plans can be submitted for approval to the Station Staff Judge Advocate at Iwakuni.Installation@usmc.mil.

## **(5) Restriction of Movement**

(a) All personnel accessing MCAS Iwakuni are required to adhere to the directives of medical personnel and Commanders regarding an order into conditional release, quarantine, or isolation.

(b) Vaccinated. All SOFA-status personnel arriving in Japan from another country who are vaccinated shall travel directly to a U.S. installation within Japan to conduct a 10 day Installation ROM. The following procedures apply:

1. Units shall submit an individual's inoculation status for review by MCAS Iwakuni COVID Tracking Cell. All travelers will carry a physical or electronic copy of their completed vaccination card or other medical record of vaccine administration for verification on arrival. If inoculation status cannot be verified, unvaccinated ROM protocols apply.

2. The individual must be asymptomatic for the duration of the 10 day Installation ROM period. If symptoms occur, the individual will coordinate with the BHC and MCAS Iwakuni COVID Tracking Cell and follow COVID-19 procedures for isolation.

3. No earlier than Day 5 (not counting the date of arrival) of the Installation ROM, all individuals will be tested with a PCR or antigen test in accordance with reference (h). If the test is positive, individuals will conduct isolation procedures in accordance with paragraph (7) (Positive COVID-19 Cases) below.

4. This 14 day Installation ROM starts from the day following arrival and ends no earlier than (NET) 0001 on the 11th day following arrival with a negative exit test.

5. Individuals on Installation ROM will have access to all on-installation facilities.

6. For those whose domicile is off-installation, they must remain either in their domicile or on their assigned installation, or travel in a direct route between the two in a private conveyance, during the full 10 days after arrival in country.

7. While on Installation ROM, vaccinated individuals are authorized to travel between U.S. installations within Japan via military aircraft (MILAIR) transportation or via POV or Government Owned Vehicle (GOV) if able to execute movement without any stops.

(c). Unvaccinated. Unvaccinated individuals who visit high risk areas or arrive/return to MCAS Iwakuni from Leave/PCS/TAD travel outside of Japan (not otherwise exempted in this order), shall travel directly to their domicile and remain there for a Domicile ROM period of 7 days. For those who traveled outside of Japan, this will be followed by a 7 day period (days 8 through 14) of Installation ROM for a total of 14 days of restriction. The following procedures apply:

1. The individual must be asymptomatic for the duration of their ROM period. If symptoms occur, the individual will coordinate with the BHC and MCAS Iwakuni COVID Tracking Cell and follow COVID-19 procedures for isolation.

2. No earlier than Day 5 (not counting the date of arrival) of Domicile ROM, all individuals will be tested with a PCR or antigen test in accordance with reference (h). If the test is positive, individuals will conduct isolation procedures in accordance with paragraph (7) (Positive COVID-19 Cases) below.

3. This initial 7 day Domicile ROM starts from the day following arrival and ends NET 0001 on the 8th day following arrival with a negative exit test.

4. For those whose domicile is off-installation, they must remain in their domicile for the full 7 days with the exception of testing requirements.

5. Following a negative test result, individuals who traveled outside of Japan will transition to Installation ROM and may have access to all on-installation facilities on days 8 through 14. For those whose domicile is off-installation, they must remain either in their domicile or on MCAS Iwakuni, or travel in a direct route between the two in a private conveyance. Unvaccinated personnel are released from all ROM requirements upon a negative COVID test and notification of release by the COVID Tracking Cell by being placed on the release letter. Unvaccinated personnel are free to leave base at 0001 on the 15<sup>th</sup> day following their arrival if the above requirements are met.

(d) Cohabitation (sharing a residence such as family housing or sharing a barracks room) with individuals conducting Domicile or Installation ROM is authorized for vaccinated individuals. Unvaccinated individuals traveling to MCAS Iwakuni and in a ROM status shall not cohabit with other unvaccinated individuals they did not travel with. Unvaccinated individuals may cohabit with family members that they traveled to MCAS Iwakuni with. For more information, consult the ROM requirements guide at [https://www.mcasiwakuni.marines.mil/COVID-19-Orders\\_FAQ/](https://www.mcasiwakuni.marines.mil/COVID-19-Orders_FAQ/).

1. Unvaccinated cohabitants will not incur ROM due to vaccinated travelers.
2. Vaccinated cohabitants will not incur ROM due to any travelers.

(e) Recovered Positive. These individuals are identified as those who have had a positive COVID-19 test within the previous 90 days, no longer exhibit symptoms, and have been cleared for release by a competent medical authority.

1. Recovered individuals must still follow social distancing guidelines and comply with the Installation ROM requirements during the 14 days after initial arrival. An exit test will not be required, but the individual must be cleared by BHC staff and are not released from Installation ROM until their status is changed by the MCAS Iwakuni COVID Cell.

2. Asymptomatic individuals determined to be a persisting positive without persisting infectivity will be cleared from ROM requirements by the MCAS Iwakuni COVID Response Coordinator.

3. These individuals would not normally undergo repeat testing within 90 days per CDC recommendations, but repeat testing may occur at entry at a Japanese commercial port.

## **(6) Types of ROM**

(a) Domicile ROM: Domicile ROM requires, (1) restriction to an individual's residence or other appropriate domicile and avoidance of close contact (within 6 feet) with others and (2)

Self-monitoring for the development of fever, respiratory infection, or other symptoms of COVID-19 as described by CDC. All food/supplies will be provided via no contact means by the command. Cohabitation is only authorized as outlined in paragraphs 5c(5)(e) above, and will incur an identical Domicile ROM for any unvaccinated cohabitants.

(b) Installation ROM: The individual is permitted to move about freely and utilize all services aboard MCAS Iwakuni, BUT is prohibited from leaving the installation, except in order to travel to another U.S. installation or to transit between their domicile and MCAS Iwakuni via privately owned vehicle. During this period, individuals are encouraged to minimize interaction with the local population. Cohabitation is authorized as outlined in paragraphs 5c(5)(e) above.

### **(7) Positive COVID-19 Cases**

(a) Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 will transition to isolation. This status requires complete isolation from any other individuals, and daily checks with assigned Unit. The location of isolation will be determined by the COVID Response Coordinator.

(b) The duration of isolation will be determined by competent medical authority. Personnel may exit isolation only after being cleared to do so by medical and approved for release by the MCAS Iwakuni COVID Response Coordinator. The duration of isolation and precautions are as follows:

1. For most individuals with COVID-19 illness, isolation and precautions can generally be discontinued 10 days after symptom onset and resolution of symptoms for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, and with improvement of other symptoms. For more severe cases, additional days of isolation may be prescribed. A competent medical authority shall have the final say on the length of the isolation.

2. For persons who never develop symptoms, the date of the COVID-19 test should be used in place of the date of symptom onset.

(c) All family members and/or cohabitants of the individual(s) with a positive COVID-19 test will be tested. If negative, unvaccinated individuals will transition to quarantine and follow close contact protocols.

(d) If unvaccinated close contacts stay in the residence with the positive case, their 14-days of quarantine will not begin until the positive case is deemed recovered by competent medical authority. While isolating, the positive individual is encouraged to isolate away from the others within the domicile. However, isolating away from others in the domicile will not negate the cohabitants' requirement to conduct a 14-day quarantine beginning from the date the positive individual is deemed recovered.

(e) If vaccinated close contacts stay in the residence with the positive case, they shall conduct Domicile ROM until the positive case has been cleared for release.

(f) Personnel who test positive for COVID-19 will not be retested for a period of 90 days from the date they are deemed recovered as long as they remain symptom-free.

### **(8) Entry into Japan**

(a) All SOFA personnel arriving to Japan will undergo PCR or antigen COVID-19 ROM exit testing as described above. These individuals will not be permitted to leave USFJ installations for 14 days and are required to comply with ROM procedures as defined in reference (b).

(b) All individuals arriving to Japan via commercial travel are required to proceed directly to a U.S. facility via the most direct route possible in a POV or GOV. Use of a DoD-contracted or non-appropriated fund operated bus service or onward movement by MILAIR does not constitute public transportation for purposes of this order, and may be utilized en route to an individual's ROM location regardless of vaccination status. Individuals arriving via commercial travel are not allowed to exit the vehicle from their point of entry until their arrival at a USFJ facility. Individuals may obtain a rental car to transport themselves to a USFJ facility if there is no use of shuttle services and the rental car is delivered to the terminal. Tenant units are responsible for the reception of these individuals. Vaccinated drivers need not utilize any more personal protective equipment (PPE) than a mask and standard social distancing measures. Unvaccinated individuals are not authorized to pick up individuals from a commercial airport.

(c) The MCAS Iwakuni COVID Tracking Cell will provide notice of a status change regarding ROM, Installation ROM, or quarantine in isolation to individuals via their chain of command. Commands shall provide updated rosters of arrivals each week to the COVID cell for those personnel to be tested. Personnel will not be tested by the BHC for Exit ROM testing if their names are not provided to the COVID Cell prior to their date of testing.

(d) Personnel are required to strictly adhere to applicable ROM procedures until receiving a notification of status change from the COVID Tracking Cell.

(e) Individuals who are assigned to family housing and are subject to ROM requirements may complete ROM in a designated ROM location outside their residence. If an individual subject to ROM enters their family housing quarters, all unvaccinated individuals residing in that unit will be required to complete a prescribed period of ROM.

(f) Any individual returning to the installation pursuant to Temporary Additional Duty (TAD) or deployment may utilize transient lodging facilities to complete ROM requirements. This expense will be included in their travel voucher. No cost barracks will only be provided by the installation in the event that transient lodging is unavailable.

(g) Individuals returning from Leave outside Japan will not be provided alternative housing accommodations by MCAS Iwakuni to conduct necessary ROM requirements.

## **(9) Close Contacts**

(a) Unvaccinated individuals identified as close contacts of a positive case will transition to quarantine. This status requires complete isolation from any other individuals, and daily checks with assigned Unit. The location of isolation will be determined by the COVID Response Coordinator.

(b) Close contact conditions will be determined by a competent medical authority, but typically consist of:

1. Being within approximately 6 feet (2 meters) of an individual for longer than 15 minutes cumulative within a 24 hour period with or without masks.

2. Anyone with whom they had physical contact while caring for, living with, or visiting.

3. Anytime an individual visits a waiting room (data should only include duration and location; NOT other individuals within waiting room)

4. Anyone having direct contact with an individual's secretions or being around someone likely to generate respiratory aerosols (e.g., being coughed or sneezed on).

(c) Units are encouraged to continue to update contact tracing records with accurate names and contact information for all close contacts. The contact tracing record is to be reviewed by contact trace teams in support of a COVID-19 trace investigation.

(d) Individuals in quarantine will remain in quarantine for a period determined by a competent medical authority. Typically, this is for a minimum of 14 days. All individuals placed in quarantine will be subject to post quarantine testing. Testing will occur at a time determined by a competent medical authority.

1. If the test is negative, the individual remains asymptomatic, and 14 days or more have elapsed, they may be released from quarantine.

2. If the test is positive, individual will enter isolation and will be subject to Positive COVID-19 case and release protocols.

(e) If at any time during quarantine, an individual develops symptoms, they will be tested/retested for COVID-19. Personnel may exit quarantine only after being cleared to do so by the MCAS Iwakuni COVID Tracking Cell and a competent medical authority.

(f) Recovered Positive Personnel: Those who have fully recovered from a laboratory confirmed diagnosis of a COVID-19 infection within the last 90 days may be cleared from quarantine requirement. Consultation with medical and the MCAS Iwakuni COVID Response Coordinator is required to make final determination. Once cleared from quarantine requirement,

personnel who are deemed a Close Contact during this 90 day period will be placed on Installation ROM for 14 days from last contact with known positive.

(g) Vaccinated personnel identified as close contacts do not have to quarantine, but should be tested at day 3-5 following the close contact and must monitor for and report any symptoms. Testing requirements will be determined by a competent medical authority. Vaccinated personnel who are determined to be close contacts shall wear a mask for 14 days from their last contact with a known positive.

(h) Vaccinated cohabitants of a close contact and unvaccinated cohabitants of a vaccinated close contact shall adhere to restrictions from a competent medical authority accordance to the most up-to-date standards proscribed by the CDC.

(i) Unvaccinated cohabitants of an unvaccinated close contact will conduct a 10-day domicile ROM during the first 10 days of the close contact's quarantine period. Following a negative test by the close contact and no earlier than day 10 of quarantine, unvaccinated cohabitants will transition to a 4 day period (days 11 through 14) of installation ROM for a total of 14 days of ROM. During their Installation ROM, following a close contact, unvaccinated cohabitants shall wear a mask while entering all facilities aboard MCAS Iwakuni.

## **(10) Monitoring**

(a) All personnel aboard the installation shall implement self-observation, and remain alert for cough, shortness of breath, congestion or runny nose, sore throat, difficulty breathing, fever, chills, muscle or body aches, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell, and headache.

(b) Pursuant to reference (d), all Commands shall ensure compliance with Sentinel Testing requirements. Each Command will ensure 1% of their total population is tested once every 14 days, regardless of vaccination status. Additionally, each command shall ensure 5% of their congregant population is tested every 7 days. Each Command shall submit their testing roster no later than the Friday before testing to the BHC at [usn.iwakuni.brmedcliniwakunija.list.surveillance-testing@mail.mil](mailto:usn.iwakuni.brmedcliniwakunija.list.surveillance-testing@mail.mil). Personnel conducting other forms of testing (i.e. Exit ROM, Travel, etc.), shall count towards the command's total for Sentinel Testing.

(c) If individuals feel feverish or develop measured fever, cough, difficulty breathing or other COVID-like symptoms, they should self-isolate, limit contact with others, and seek advice by telephone from Branch Health Clinic to determine whether medical evaluation is needed. To contact the clinic call 255-8100 or 0827-94-8100. Do not go to the clinic before calling.

(11) In the event that a HHQ directive conflicts with the guidance set forth in this Order, the more restrictive guidance applies.

(12) When traveling, individuals are required to consult and abide by local restrictions.

(13) Exemptions to ROM requirements include:

(a) Transient military aircrews:

1. In accordance with FRAGO 018 of reference (d), transient aircrew will maintain a bubble during travel outside of Japan, utilizing on-base lodging, following installation guidelines, and complying with strict COVID-19 mitigation measures.

2. Other aircrew based at MCAS Iwakuni returning from a transient status are exempt from ROM if returning from locations in Japan, South Korea, or Guam. For all other locations, aircrew will incur ROM commensurate with their vaccination status. All requests for additional exemptions can be routed to the MCAS Iwakuni Commanding Officer via the MCAS Iwakuni COVID Tracking Cell and the MAG-12 Commanding Officer.

(b) Requests for exemptions to the requirements set forth in this Order for mission essential, humanitarian, or extreme hardship situations will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Individuals remain subject to requirements set forth in this Order pending the approval of the exemption request.

1. Service members and their dependents must route such requests through their chain of command for approval by the O-5 Commander. O-5 Commanders may delegate approval authority to O-4 and O-3 Commanders, provided those O-4 or O-3 Commanders also have non-judicial punishment (NJP) authority. All Tenant Commands shall forward approved exemptions to the Station Adjutant at [integrityiwakuni@usmc.mil](mailto:integrityiwakuni@usmc.mil).

2. Members of the SOFA civilian component (civilian employees, contractors, and their dependents) and local national employees (MLC/IHA) are required to route such requests to the Station Executive Officer via his/her supervisor or sponsor (if applicable). Exemption requests shall include proposed measures to prevent the transmission of COVID-19.

## 6. Administration and Logistics

a. Tenant Commanders shall implement the requirements set forth in this Order and hold those that violate its contents accountable in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. In addition to any HHQ reporting requirement, all violations shall also be reported to [integrityiwakuni@usmc.mil](mailto:integrityiwakuni@usmc.mil).

(1) Depending on the nature of the violation, a 14-day ROM order may be necessary to ensure the health and safety of personnel aboard the installation.

(2) Cases of violations of this Order by civilian members of your organizations shall be forwarded to the Base Magistrate for adjudication.

b. The Base Magistrate shall consider cases of alleged violations of this Order by civilians.

c. The Provost Marshal's Office shall take those steps necessary to enforce the provisions of this Order including but not limited to the issuance of citations.

d. Compliance with this Order is a personal responsibility of every person, regardless of status, who has access to MCAS Iwakuni. When an individual is tested for COVID-19 or comes into close proximity of someone who was tested for COVID-19 or believes that there was a violation of this Order, it must reported to their supervisory chain of command or via [integrityiwakuni@usmc.mil](mailto:integrityiwakuni@usmc.mil). The purpose of this reporting obligation is to prevent the spread of COVID-19, not to punish individuals for self-reporting. In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19, those who report violations via email should include as much information as possible about the incident. In addition, violations can be reported immediately to the following Command Duty Officers (CDO):

(1) MCAS Iwakuni at 253-4001, commercial (0827) 79-4001.

(2) Marine Aircraft Group 12 at 255-7508, commercial (0827) 94-7508.

(3) CVW-5 at 255-1900, commercial (0827) 94-1900.

#### 7. Command and Signal

a. Command. This Order is applicable to all service members; SOFA civilian employees, contractors, and dependents; MLC/IHA employees; and all others who access MCAS Iwakuni.

b. Signal

(1) This Order is effective upon signature and shall remain effective until modified or rescinded.

(2) Questions regarding this Order shall be directed to the Station COVID Zealot and Representative at [zachary.phelps@usmc.mil](mailto:zachary.phelps@usmc.mil) or 253-5591.

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