



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
86TH AIRLIFT WING (USAFE)**

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERSONNEL AT LAJES FIELD

FROM: 65 ABG/CC

SUBJECT: Health and Safety Restrictions for Air Base 4, Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal, in Response to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

1. This memorandum applies to all Department of Defense (DoD) uniformed, civilian, and contracted personnel transiting through or assigned to the 65th Air Base Group (65 ABG), Lajes Field, Azores, Portugal.
2. All personnel are required to follow posted COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions while on the installation. Lajes Field adheres to current DoD and host nation guidance. In case of conflicting guidance, the more stringent will be followed. All current COVID-19 mitigation protocols required at Lajes Field can be found at <https://www.lajesfss.com/index.php/p/177/covid-19-updates/>. Requirements listed here are considered directive.
3. Specific guidance for transient crews and passengers arriving on military airlift is provided in a separate memorandum titled "Lajes Field Procedures to Comply with COVID Regulation for Off Base Travel" dated 21 January 2022. A copy of this memorandum is also located at <https://www.lajesfss.com/index.php/p/177/covid-19-updates/>.
4. The purpose of these restrictions is to ensure the continued health and safety of both U.S. personnel and our host-nation partners. Furthermore, these restrictions are necessary to ensure mission essential operations on the installation continue with little to no interruption. Commanders and Supervisors shall ensure this directive is clearly communicated to those affected. These restrictions shall remain in effect until rescinded in writing.
5. Please direct questions to Lt Col Donovan Cirino, 65 ABG/CD at DSN 314-535-6501 or CMSgt Matthew Pease, 65 ABG/CCC at DSN 314-535-5257.

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