

SPECIAL BULLETIN

COVID-19 UPDATE



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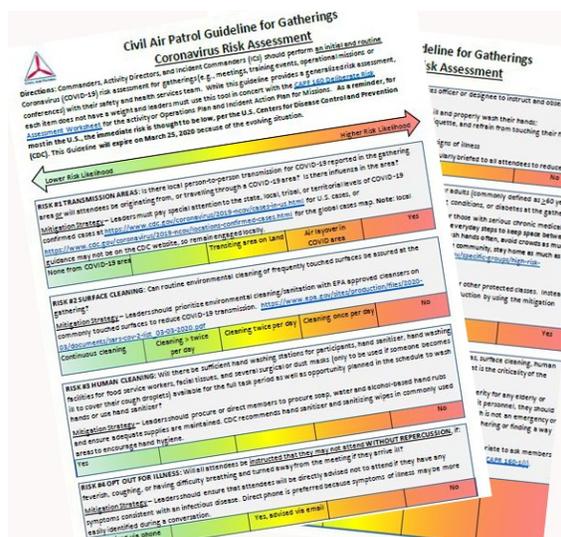
Civil Air Patrol Guideline for Gatherings -- Coronavirus Risk Assessment

National Headquarters has released a new guideline for gatherings as concerns over the potential spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus grows.

As a reminder, for most in the U.S. the immediate risk is thought to be low, per the national [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#).

Members should follow the CDC guidelines as well as any additional health guidelines issued by their states.

Maj. Gen. Mark Smith, CAP CEO and National Commander, has an important message for all members: "The guidance issued by the CDC and by state governments provide no-nonsense precautions. I urge you to use these reputable sources of guidance in conjunction with the new CAP Gatherings Risk Assessment tool and CAP's overall safety risk management processes. Please use all of this information to make wise, informed decisions about meetings and events. Use the same types of precautions as you would to avoid the regular flu and all other types of transmittable illnesses."



Guidelines for Gatherings



Cadet Activities and COVID-19

NCSA REGISTRATION. Currently, all National Cadet Special Activities are continuing as planned. Cadets who have been admitted to NCSAs should accept their "primary" slot and pay tuition as previously instructed. If an event must be cancelled, CAP will refund the tuition in full. For now, we recommend families delay making flight reservations.

ENCAMPMENTS. We encourage wings to continue their encampment preparations but delay major purchases to the extent practical. Financial assistance remains available to families via [CEAP](#). Wings should begin developing a refund policy in response to a worst-case scenario. Wing Headquarters continues to be the best source of information about local encampments.

WHAT IF? We'll keep families and adult volunteers informed about summer cadet activities over the next several weeks as the situation develops.



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