



COVID-19 MARADMIN BRIEFING CARD

27 March 2020

Background: The Marine Corps continues its efforts to mitigate the effects of the novel coronavirus outbreak. This briefing card outlines key points of MARADMINS [192/20](#) and [193/20](#), which apply to Marines, civilian employees, and their family members.

Key points of MARADMIN [192/20](#) (addresses **Marine Corps personnel guidance**)*

- **Travel Restrictions:** all travel, inside and outside the United States and its Territories, is stopped through at least 11 May 2020. Exemptions may apply for: separations/retirements; medical treatment; individuals already in transit; Presidential support; and approved high-risk civilians.
 - Drill Instructors, Recruiters, Marine Security Guards, Marine Security Forces, and Marine Combat Instructors are designated as mission essential and are exempt.
 - HMX-1, Marine Barracks Washington, Marine Corps Embassy Security Group, and the Marine Corps Security Forces Regiment are also deemed mission essential and are exempt.
- **Exceptions:** may be granted on a case-by-case basis by individual's first GO/FO/SES for travel that is mission essential, or warranted by a humanitarian situation or extreme hardship basis.
- **Pay & Allowances:** the JTR have been modified for various pay/allowances in certain cases.
 - For pay details, see <https://www.manpower.usmc.mil/webcenter/portal/Finance>
 - For admin. details, see <https://eis.usmc.mil/sites/missa/SitePages/paa.aspx>
- **Manpower Management:** Marines in the entry level training pipeline, or between basic training and their first (or subsequent for lateral moves) permanent duty station (PDS) will continue movement to their PDS.
- **Civilian Leave/Liberty:** Civilians are strongly encouraged to avoid leave out of the local area. Civilians with a telework agreement may be asked to telework for 14 days after such travel (those without may be granted weather/safety leave).
- **Reserve:** Marines currently on active duty will follow the same guidance as active Marines. Local Reserve commanders may allow their Marines to conduct drills via telecommuting.
- **Tracking:** Commanders will track Marines affected by COVID-19 using the [manpower tracking application](#), accessible to official G-1s (CAC enabled).

Key points of MARADMIN [193/20](#) (addresses **Global Force Management**)*

- **Travel Restrictions:** from 25 March until 24 May 2020, all Marines, civilians, and sponsored family members will stop all travel to, from, or through a foreign country.
- **Exemptions:** redeployment of Navy vessel personnel; individuals traveling for medical-related treatment; approved retirements/separations; and those returning home who have started travel.
- **Exceptions:** must come from the Joint Staff Director of Operations via DC PP&O COVID-19 MCCAT, the relevant Combatant Commander, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, or the Chief Management Officer (OSD).

*Note: exception authorities differ for MARADMIN 192/20 and 193/20



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Questions and Answers:

Q1: MARADMIN 192/20 states that travel restrictions are in place through 11 May 2020, but MARADMIN 193/20 lists a date of 24 May 2020. Which one applies?

A1: MARADMIN 192/20 addresses Marine Corps personnel matters and contains a stop movement date of 11 May 2020. MARADMIN 193/20, which addresses Global Force Management, directs a stop movement for forces until 24 May 2020. Marines should check with their chain of command if they believe that an exception or exemption applies to their situation.

Q2. What pay and entitlements could a Marine receive due to COVID-19 or quarantine?

A2. Marines and their dependents can be reimbursed for expenses incurred as a result of COVID-19, specifically quarantine after contracting the virus or being separated from their families due to permanent change-of-station changes, through a series of special pays and allowances. Marines should check with their chain of command first for assistance.

Q3. Who can help a Marine who needs to cancel a lease based on the stop movement?

A3. Legal protections exist that may assist Marines impacted by COVID-19. The Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (SCRA) may be able to help Marines affected by lease-related issues. Legal assistance offices across the Marine Corps remain staffed and available to assist Marines.

Q4. What if a Marine needs financial assistance based on the stop movement?

A4. Marines should seek financial assistance or counseling help through their chain of command. The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Corps Relief Society provides short-term loans to Marines in need of urgent financial assistance. The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Corps Relief Society website contains updated guidance specifically related to the COVID-19 response: <https://www.nmcrs.org>.

Q5. What if a Marine wants to take leave for a special event such as an overseas wedding?

A5. Local commanders have discretion and authority to address questions on a case-by-case basis. Marines should seek help first through their chain of command.

Additional assistance can be found through M&RA's COVID-19 pages:

<https://www.manpower.usmc.mil/webcenter/portal/MRAHome>

https://hqmcportal.hqi.usmc.mil/org/mra/COVID19/_layouts/15/start.aspx#/SitePages/Home.aspx

FAQs regarding travel restrictions are available at:

<https://www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus/>

FAQs regarding travel are available at:

https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/news_Coronavirus.cfm

Military Crisis Line: 1-800-273-TALK (option 1), text 838255 or visit www.militarycrisisline.net

Navy Chaplain Care. Communications are 100 percent confidential: 1-855-NAVY-311

Psychological Health Resource Center: 1-866-966-1020 or <https://www.realwarriors.net>

Psychological Health Outreach Program (PHOP) provides Reservists and their families' full access to appropriate psychological health care services: 1-866-578-PHOP(7467)