

## **INFORMATION PAPER ON CIVIL AIR PATROL COVID-19 REMOBILIZATION PLAN**

### **1. Background**

- The Civil Air Patrol (CAP) COVID-19 remobilization plan was implemented in response to the global quarantine caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The quarantine has introduced and mandated the concept of social distancing, preventing large groups from gathering to reduce the risk of transmission.
- Social distancing mandates a 6 feet required minimum distance between people to avoid contact with potential carriers.
- Facial masks must be worn to protect against accidental inhalation of airborne particles containing the virus.
- In addition, surfaces must be wiped down or otherwise sterilized to prevent the virus from settling on them.
- CAP has implemented a plan to comply with WHO guidelines on social distancing, with in-person cadet meetings having ceased at the time of this writing.

### **2. Implementation**

- CAP has created a Remobilization plan separated into phases. Each phase is intended to gradually restore CAP to pre-quarantine status.
- Phase implementations are not fixed to nationwide dates. To move to another phase of readiness, each wing submits their own plan for the measures that will be taken to cope with the virus, as well as proposed dates for further phase implementation.
- Plans must be approved for proposed dates to take effect.
- Phases 0-I restrict meetings: Phase 0 prevents all in-person meetings, while Phase I allows for senior member meetings in preparation for Phase II.

- Phase II and beyond allow “low-risk” CAP cadets to attend in-person meetings, and Phase III results in almost full remobilization of CAP members (excluding certain “high-risk” cadets and members)
- Each Phase also discusses what activities the wing is ready for. Phase I is for resuming normal meetings, Phase II is for planning special activities (Aerospace education, SAREX/search and rescue), and Phase III is for overnight activities such as cadet encampments.

### 3. Impact

- Due to the inability to perform in-person meetings, **Cadet meetings, official or not, cannot be held.** Activities such as drill or squadron CPFT (Cadet Physical Fitness Testing) gatherings cannot be held either.
- Certain squadrons have also waived and/or modified requirements for drill and CPFT to account for WHO regulations.
- Certain wings have responded to the COVID health crisis by offering assistance—operations such as food/PPE (Personal protective equipment) distribution, blood bank donors, and test kit delivery.
- You can read about these endeavors here at <https://www.cap.news>.
- The Hawaii (HI) wing was approved for Phase I remobilization on June 21, 2020.
- You can read up on the HI wing remobilization plan here: [https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/Hawaii\\_Wing\\_Remobilization\\_Phase\\_I\\_E4CA5E3087194.pdf](https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/media/cms/Hawaii_Wing_Remobilization_Phase_I_E4CA5E3087194.pdf)

### 4. Next steps

- Further information about the status of CAP remobilization can be found here: <https://www.gocivilairpatrol.com/covid-19-remobilization>