



# 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](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](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](http://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)