



Reserve Info Bulletin



Reserve Drill/ADOS COVID-19 Guidance

COVID-19 vaccine requirements are the same for reservists and Active Component members. All Coast Guard members, including reservists, who are not fully vaccinated, and do not have an approved exemption, must now be vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as operations allow. However, currently there are no restrictions prohibiting unvaccinated reservists from performing inactive or active duty, including involuntary recalls. Unvaccinated reservists will follow the same mitigation strategies as all other unvaccinated Coast Guard member when performing duty.

The only restrictions currently in place for unvaccinated members primarily focus around training opportunities and leadership position assignments. The same training and assignment restrictions apply equally to both Reserve and Active Component members. Those who are unvaccinated and do not have a pending or approved medical or religious exemption are ineligible to attend "A" and "C" schools and advanced education programs. Additionally, unvaccinated members with orders to command or badge positions will have their orders cancelled and those currently in command or badge positions may be removed from their position for cause. Those who continue to decline to be vaccinated without an approved exemption may be separated from the Service.

Commands may order a member to receive their vaccinations during the performance of IDT at a vaccination site that is not a Coast Guard unit or military treatment facility. If the command directs the member to a location other than their Coast Guard unit to receive a vaccination, unit-funded travel may be required in accordance with the Joint Travel Regulations. If not receiving the vaccination(s) while in another duty status, a member may request a Readiness Management Period (RMP) and combine a vaccination with other qualified duty at a location of their choice IAW ACN 088/21.

The Coast Guard has started processing requests for religious accommodations. If a military member's religious accommodation request is denied with a final action decision, the member will be required to receive an approved COVID vaccination as soon as possible and will be ineligible to attend resident training or fill leadership positions until the member is in compliance. Those who continue to decline to be vaccinated may be processed for discharge.

Members of the IRR who refuse vaccination will be treated in a manner consistent with their Active Duty and drilling Reserve counterparts.

For more information on COVID-19 policy, guidance and FAQs, visit the Coast Guard COVID-19 Portal Page at: <https://www.uscg.mil/Coronavirus/>



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Important references to read:

ALCOAST 315/21: COVID-19: MANDATING COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR MILITARY MEMBERS: UPDATE 1

ALCOAST 352/21: COVID-19: MANDATING COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR MILITARY MEMBERS: UPDATE 2

ACN 088/21: UPDATE TO READINESS MANAGEMENT PERIOD (RMP) POLICY

ALCGPSC 104/21: EXECUTION OF COVID-19 ADMINISTRATIVE RISK MITIGATION AND LEADERSHIP MEASURES

ALCOAST 446/21: COVID-19: ADJUDICATION OF MILITARY RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS

Coast Guard Recruiting Manual, COMDTINST M1100.2G