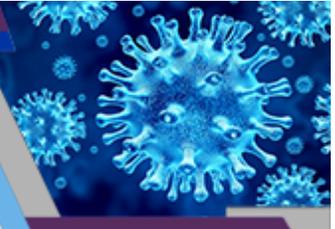


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COVID-19 JOINT TASK FORCE



Update 11 - Staying the Course

19 June 2020

As the country begins to re-open and people begin to venture out, the threat of spreading any illness is increased. This week, ExpressJet saw a small increase in the number of crewmembers testing positive for COVID-19. Most cases were contracted away from work, but a few were not. Contact tracing, which involves determining where a crewmember may have contracted COVID-19 and who they may have come in contact, is time consuming and challenging. Flight ops will call a crewmember if he or she worked with a fellow crewmember during the 48 hours prior to that crewmember's positive test/diagnosis. The contact tracing clock starts when a co-worker becomes symptomatic. The company will examine when the crewmember was last at work and with whom they worked closely. The company will contact any crewmember who may have been exposed, have them contact a health professional, recommend quarantine, and self-monitor for 14 days. Please see [LOA 4](#) for the process.

Contact Tracing Resources

Every pilot has been provided many ways to educate themselves: Task Force communications, MEC committee members, the ALPA coronavirus resource website and the new DART system. Use your ALPA resources if you have any concerns about contact with crewmembers who test positive.

The most important thing any crewmember can do is self-check for symptoms and if symptomatic, DO NOT come to work. If you are symptomatic, testing is becoming more readily available. The CDC self-checker can be found here:

CDC Self-Checker

The threat of spread is still real. It's just not time to go back to normal, yet. Washing and sanitizing your hands, social distancing, and wearing a mask are habits we need to keep in crew rooms, airports, hotels and restaurants.

The Task Force has had multiple pilots reach out to us with the pros and cons of wearing face coverings. We have made this a personal choice when operating a flight. The science is divided and that doesn't help. We trust that this pilot group will do their best in making their own decisions as long as wearing a mask is a recommendation. However, more and more businesses are making it mandatory. United's mask policy is the most restrictive and we all are required to wear a mask when traveling in the cabin.

United Face Covering Requirement FAQs

Ship set PPEs have again been disappearing from our aircraft, for many reasons. The Task Force is asking for your help to make sure that all our aircraft have PPEs. Please contact your chief pilot as soon as practical if you have no PPE kit or need supplies so that we can make sure there is a set available for you and the next crew as soon as possible. The PPE is not required, so don't delay a flight for it. Just make a call as early as possible to your chief pilot. Use the kit at your discretion, but use the wipes provided.

Please stay the course in this challenging environment and continue to social distance and follow CDC guidance to protect yourself, your family and our ExpressJet family. If you have any questions, email XJTVirusHelp@alpa.org.

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