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Last month, United became the first major U.S. carrier to require all flight attendants to wear a face covering onboard the aircraft, which was later expanded to include all employees onboard. *Beginning June 1, 2020, United officially expanded the requirement for a face covering/mask for all employees working in or traveling through airport terminal, including United Express carrier employees.* Since many airports are in locations where face masks or face coverings are required in public spaces, United is simply formalizing that requirement at all of its airport locations.

Masks or face coverings are now required for employees flying space-available or positive-space, employees working in any customer-facing locations in the airport, and employees who are in the airport terminal either before or after their shifts/on duty. This mandate is in addition to requirements for employees while onboard aircraft. We recommend you also wear a face covering in non-public spaces (like base areas), especially when you are not able to practice social distancing.

The use of face coverings on our flight deck is at the captain's discretion. This was a deliberate Task Force decision. Only an individual can assess their level of risk to themselves and others. We suggest you add this conversation to your briefings. If there is a situation that escalates between crewmembers as to what to do, we suggest you err on the side of safety and just wear the face covering. We have read many arguments for and against, but in the interest of safety, following CDC guidance is highly recommended.

The number one thing we can do to protect our crews is to continue to self-monitor our health.

It's allergy season, so it's important a pilot learns to recognize the differences symptoms

between allergies and other health issues. Always follow your IMSAFE checklist. Please use the following guidance to differentiate between COVID-19 and minor health issues.

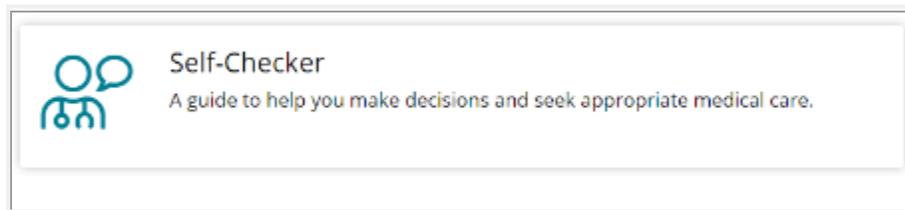
## Allergies? Common cold? Flu? Or COVID-19?

People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported - ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness.

Symptoms may appear **2-14 days after exposure to the virus**. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

The CDC has a “Self-Checker” tool that can be found here:



We will continue to look for enhancements to the cleaning and disinfecting of our workspaces and share them with you, the frontline employees. We sincerely appreciate all the work you

do to keep our workforce healthy. Please use [XJTVirusHelp@alpa.org](mailto:XJTVirusHelp@alpa.org) for direct communications with the XJT ALPA COVID-19 Joint Task Force or the ASAP portal for data collection. You can also throw a DART to [dart.alpa.org](http://dart.alpa.org).

The time has come to turn the corner and begin to look at ways to get people back in our airplanes and to secure our future at ExpressJet. History has shown that XJT pilots can do amazing things. Thanks for what you do!

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