

HAFB COVID-19 FAQs



Restriction of Movement: Travel-Related ROM & Exposure-Related ROM

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Squadron Commanders have the authority to waive the Travel ROM requirement for all members traveling outside of the local area, regardless of vaccination status.

Q1: What is the difference between “exposure-related ROM” and “travel-related ROM”?

A1: Exposure-related ROM is monitored by Public Health. Exposure-related ROM occurs when an Airman, or their family member, has been identified as a close contact to someone who tested positive for COVID-19. The length of exposure-related ROM is determined by Public Health. **Travel-related ROM** may occur when you travel to/from outside of the local area which is defined as CONUS and the ability to return to base within one travel day. The amount of time, if any, you will be put on travel-related ROM is up to your Sq/CC and varies at their discretion.

Q2: If I am not fully vaccinated, how long can I anticipate to be on ROM when I PCS to Holloman?

A2: If you are PCSing from a "green" installation and you have not been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, you can anticipate no ROM upon arrival. If traveling from a "red" installation or county, anticipate seven days of ROM. In all cases, contact your gaining unit commander prior to your arrival to assess the risk associated with your travel and establish appropriate risk mitigation measures (ROM, for example). For information about ROM after a PCS contact your sponsor and gaining chain of command.

Q3: What does ROM look like? Will I be allowed to go grocery shopping?

A3: During **exposure-related ROM** you are not allowed to go inside grocery stores, restaurants, gyms, etc., with the exception of a once per day trip for essential items to be picked up using a curbside service while wearing a mask. During **medical isolation** you are required to stay home and are not allowed to go inside grocery stores, restaurants, gyms, etc., or use curbside services. You are required to stay in your home with the exception of travel to and from a medical facility and walks outside near your residence while wearing a mask. During **travel-related ROM** you can exercise outside, and get curbside carry-out so long as you are wearing your mask and maintain proper sanitation procedures. People from outside of your family household are not permitted to enter your domicile during the duration of any type ROM.

Q4: If you are fully vaccinated, is ROM required?

A4: ROM is at the discretion of squadron commanders for all personnel, regardless of vaccination status, when traveling outside of the local area. Other mitigation measures may be implemented, but commanders are authorized to waive ROM for all personnel.

Q5: How does Public Health define “close contact”?

A5: Public Health defines close contact as being within 6-feet of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more, regardless of mask wear or location. If you are concerned that you may have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, **please call Public Health at (575) 572-4887.**