



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
MISSISSIPPI AIR NATIONAL GUARD
HEADQUARTERS, 186TH AIR REFUELING WING (AMC)
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

31 March 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL PERSONNEL

FROM: 186 ARW/CV

SUBJECT: Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) 20-005

1. New AF Connect Tabs. Two new tabs, “COVID 19 Information” and “Virtual April UTA”, have been added to the 186 ARW page of the AF Connect app. These tabs provide a centralized place to find up to date information on the current COVID 19 situation and our upcoming virtual UTA. Personnel who use the app regularly may need to close the app and reopen it to see the new tabs.

2. Shelter-in-place. Governor Reeves has issued a shelter-in-place order for Lauderdale County beginning 31 March 2020 at 2200L for 14 days. People may leave their homes only to perform essential activities, such as caring for someone in the vulnerable population, getting food or necessary supplies, and working for an essential business. Restaurants may only remain open for drive-thru, curbside and/or delivery service. If stopped by law enforcement for official military travel, members should show their ID card and explain that they are traveling for military purposes. If law enforcement prevents authorized movement, do not argue, but follow their direction and inform your chain of command of the incident.

- Full text: <http://media.graytvinc.com/documents/Executive+Order+1465+-+Lauderdale+County.pdf>

3. April UTA (resend). All members are granted the opportunity to complete training requirements (for pay) either in-person or by distributive means (e.g. telework or distance learning). Unless prior arrangements are made, all members inside and outside the local commuting area are directed to conduct April UTA by distributive means. Your Group/Squadron should have already provided you with a framework guidance with a list of CBTs and distance learning curriculum on what they expect you to accomplish. For questions regarding your personal situation, contact your organizations.

4. GI Bill benefits update. Senate Bill 3503 authorizes the Veterans Administration to continue payment of education benefits for service members whose program of education changed from a resident program to an online/distance learning program due to the COVID-19 pandemic beginning 1 March through 21 December 2020

5. Employment opportunities. Some members may have been affected by loss or less employment due to COVID-19. Please contact Mrs. Jackie Sharp with ESGR or Mr. Cody Perkins, the Wing Airman and Family Readiness Program Manager. Mrs. Sharp can be reached at 601-484-9500 or 601-938-5498. Mr. Perkins can be reached at 601-484-9623.

6. Tax deadlines. The federal tax deadline has been changed from 15 April to 15 July. The state of Mississippi tax deadline has been moved from 15 April to 15 May.

7. POC for NOTAMs is CMSgt Arthur at 601-484-9804. Contact him for inputs into future NOTAMS.

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