



US Army Reserve Safety Alert



COVID-19 at Fuel/Charge/ATM Stations

Despite Social Distancing –Some personnel will still need to travel and it is inevitable they will have to pump fuel; touching the pump handle and the payment keypad, both of which may have the COVID-19 virus present.



Some fuel stations already have **disposable gloves** and **hand sanitizer (should contain at least 60% alcohol –as recommended by the CDC)** available at the pumps. If not, you can use **paper towels** which are sometimes available at the pump or have some readily available with you, to cover your hands when you grip the handle.



The surfaces on a Charging Station / Plug for Electric Car owners are potential exposure areas and the hazards / precautions to take are the same as pumping fuel.



Use the same protection / precautionary procedures (as stated above) for the keypad when entering payment information.



If **soap and water** are not readily available, **use a hand sanitizer which contains at least 60% alcohol**. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry. **Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth** with unwashed hands. **(Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds at your earliest convenience)**. Another option, carry **disinfect wipes** with you and wipe down surfaces prior to touching.



When completed, invert the **gloves** and throw them away and any **paper towels** you may have used. Use **hand sanitizer**, if available to ensure your hands are sanitized, before you get back into your vehicle. **(Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds at your earliest convenience)**.