



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

FROM: AFMC/CD

SUBJECT: Supporting Nursing Airmen in AFMC Secure Spaces (Collateral, SCIFs, SAPFs)

References: (a) HQ USAF/SG Memo, 02 Sep 2021, *Designation of Breast Pumps as Medical Devices*  
(b) HQ AFMC/A2 Memo, 06 Feb 2017, *Portable Electronic Devices (PED) within AFMC Sensitive Compartmented Information Facilities (SCIFs)*  
(c) HQ AFMC/A5/8Z (AFMC SAPMO) Memo, 09 Jun 2021, *Implementation Guidance for use of Personal Wearable Fitness / Health Devices within AFMC Special Access Programs Facilities (SAPFs) and SAP Enabled Aircraft*

1. As part of *The AFMC We Need* initiative, we heard your feedback about how to better support our nursing Airmen working in Secure Spaces by allowing entry of Bluetooth-enabled breast pumps. AFMC has been actively working to understand the issue and deliver better solutions in concurrence with our Surgeon General and security communities (HQ AFMC/IP, A2 (SSO), and A5/8Z (SAPMO)). Our Airmen are our greatest asset to fighting our wartime mission every day. Therefore, we must ensure we act in their best interest while also balancing risks to our wartime mission environments or secure spaces. This memo seeks to clarify current policy and mechanisms in place to support this access.

2. In accordance with reference (a), breast pumps are medical devices. These devices, per refs (b)(c), shall be considered Portable Wearable Fitness/Health Devices, as applicable, which authorizes Bluetooth in SCIFs and SAPFs, provided there is no additional technical capability on the device (e.g., audio, video, photo, or Wi-Fi). Therefore, balancing risk and in support of our Airmen, Bluetooth-enabled breast pumps shall not be prohibited from entry into AFMC secure spaces, given the above considerations. Device entry into AFMC secure spaces does NOT extend to an Airmen's associated smartphone or other electronic devices. These devices must be stowed prior to facility entry IAW local security procedures to avoid Bluetooth connection with breast pump. Nursing Airmen shall operate breast pumps with Bluetooth "disabled" if technically feasible.

3. To reduce unintentional risk through introduction of other technical capabilities into AFMC secure spaces, nursing Airmen must submit manufacturer's technical specifications and any required documentation (e.g., User Agreement) for review by the facility's applicable security representative (ASM, SSR, GSSO), prior to bringing device into an AFMC secure space. Devices authorized for SCIF entry per ref (b), will have reciprocity into all AFMC SCIFs. Devices authorized for SAPF entry per ref (c), will have reciprocity into all AFMC SAPFs. Devices authorized for entry into Collateral Secure Spaces, shall have reciprocity into all AFMC

Collateral Secure Spaces. Provided the above, nursing Airmen do not need to declare/seek approval of device entry at each subsequent AFMC facility. Security personnel shall ensure they protect Nursing Airmen's privacy and treat declarations as Protected Health Information.

4. Please direct any questions or concerns to the applicable MAJCOM POCs listed below:
  - a. SCIF: HQ AFMC/A2S, [AFMC.A2S.Workflow@us.af.mil](mailto:AFMC.A2S.Workflow@us.af.mil), (937) 257-5970
  - b. SAP: HQ AFMC/A5/8Z, [HQAFCM.A58Z.SAPMO\\_Pol\\_Over@us.af.mil](mailto:HQAFCM.A58Z.SAPMO_Pol_Over@us.af.mil), (937) 904-1156
  - c. Collateral Secure Space: HQ AFMC/IP, [AFMCIPWorkflowMailbox@us.af.mil](mailto:AFMCIPWorkflowMailbox@us.af.mil), (937) 257-2675

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