USS Milwaukee Remains in Port as Sailors Test Positive for COVID-19

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NAVAL STATION GUANTANAMO BAY -- USS Milwaukee (LCS 5), a Freedom variant littoral combat ship, remains in port as some Sailors test positive for COVID-19. The crew is 100% immunized and all COVID-19 positive Sailors are isolated on board and away from other crew members. A portion of those infected have exhibited mild symptoms. The vaccine continues to demonstrate effectiveness against serious illness.



ATLANTIC OCEAN (Dec. 16, 2021) The Freedom-variant littoral combat ship USS Milwaukee (LCS 5) transits the Atlantic Ocean, Dec 16, 2021. Milwaukee is deployed to the U.S. 4th Fleet area of operations to support Joint Interagency Task Force South's mission, which includes counter-illicit drug trafficking missions in the Caribbean and Eastern Pacific. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Aaron Lau)

The specific COVID variant has yet to be determined and all the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines are being followed, including contact tracing and testing protocols.

The ship is following an aggressive mitigation strategy in accordance with the Navy

and CDC guidelines.

The Milwaukee departed Dec. 14 for its regularly scheduled deployment to the U.S. 4th Fleet area of operations. The ship is currently in port at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay for a scheduled port visit.

Quick Facts

- USS Milwaukee (LCS 5) remains in port at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay as some Sailors have tested positive for COVID-19
- The crew is 100% immunized
- All COVID-19 positive Sailors are isolated on board and away from other crew members
- A portion of those infected have exhibited mild symptoms