

## DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS 72D AIR BASE WING (AFMC) TINKER AIR FORCE BASE OKLAHOMA

## MEMORANDUM FOR TINKER DISTRIBUTION E AND ALL ASSOCIATE UNITS

FROM: 72 ABW/CC

SUBJECT: Tinker AFB Environmental Policy

1. The 72 ABW provides Tinker AFB installation and support services for HQ AFSC, the OC-ALC and 45 associate units assigned to six major commands. The AFSC provides expeditionary capabilities through depot maintenance, supply chain management and installation support. The OC-ALC provides depot maintenance on the KC-46a, C/KC-135, B1-B, B-52 and E-3 aircraft, expanded phase maintenance on the Navy E- 6 aircraft, and maintenance, repair and overhaul of F101, F107, F108, F110, F117, F118 and TF33 engines for the Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, Navy and foreign military sales.

2. All units, mission partners and contractors are committed to performing its mission in a responsible manner that protects human health and the environment. In doing so, we strive to comply with all applicable environmental laws and regulations. We are dedicated to continuous improvement of our processes to prevent and reduce waste generation and pollution. This commitment goes beyond compliance with the law and integrates sound environmental practices into our daily decisions and activities. In all our activities we will seek to:

a. Maintain an effective Environmental Management System (EMS), promote the use of safe technologies and operating practices, and provide rapid response to spills and other environmental emergencies, to enhance environmental stewardship, and minimize adverse impacts to base employees, their families, and the environment.

b. Set environmental goals, measure progress, take corrective action when necessary to address noncompliance situations, remediate environmental damage from past activities, and effectively communicate all applicable environmental information to base workers, regulators, and the public.

c. Establish and implement an effective pollution prevention program, minimize generation of waste, recycle materials to prevent waste when possible, and dispose of all remaining waste in an environmentally responsible manner.

d. Effectively develop and manage Tinker AFB natural and urban landscape to provide a safe, attractive, functional, low maintenance, and ecologically sound environment in character with the local ecoregion, while supporting the installation and partner's diverse mission and providing a sustainable living and working environment.

3. Tinker AFB representatives participate in the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG), which allows member entities to work in partnership to address issues or problems common to many jurisdictions near military installations. This regional cooperation serves to strengthen both the individual and collective capabilities of local governments and Tinker AFB, to share information on current and planned activities that may affect each other.

4. Compliance with this policy is the responsibility of everyone at Tinker AFB. In accordance with the Air Force EMS policy, all personnel are responsible to support the Air Force mission by complying with regulations, reducing risks, and instilling a culture of continual improvement.

5. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this policy, please contact the Tinker Environmental Management System (EMS) Coordinator, Ms. Cortney Reneau, at (405) 734-4579 or via email at cortney.reneau.1@us.af.mil.

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