



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. Tinker Air Force Base, including all units, mission partners and contractors, is 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, in order 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 and to 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. Ensure responsible use of energy throughout the installation; including the adoption of innovative practices and procedures to improve energy efficiency
- e. Balance development of built and natural land areas to ensure a quality environment which fully supports and sustains military readiness while meeting environmental conservation mandates

2. 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.

3. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this policy, please contact Tinker Environmental Management System (EMS) Coordinator, Mr. Joe Kracke, 734-4586, joseph.kracke.1@us.af.mil.

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