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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALASKAN FLYING PUBLIC

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SUBJECT: Continuing Military Air Training Publicity

1. The Air Force is committed to informing the aviation community within Alaska of our military flying training. This letter will be distributed at the next Alaska Civil/Military Aviation Council, Civil/Military Aviation Council (Fairbanks) and sent to various flying agencies around the state. The following information can be obtained by accessing the 611 AOS/AOO web site at www.elmendorf.af.mil.
2. Military Training Routes (MTR): We fly 12 ground tracks which are listed as 48 different routes in FLIP AP/1B. They span from near Dillingham to Eagle. Several routes cross roads and high use VFR corridors. Aviators should consult Flight Service Stations (FSS) for scheduling advisories. The routes are almost all listed on IFR Enroute Low charts. However, 4-digit routes such as VR 1900 are not shown on these charts, as no segment goes above 1,500' AGL. Others in Alaska include VR 1902, 1905, 1909, 1912, 1915, 1916, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, & 1939. An Alaskan MTR graphic is listed on the above web page. MTR use can occur within two hours of scheduling, so timely checks with FSS are prudent. We are also revising every entry in FLIP AP/1B to consolidate and update applicable information. Please watch for these changes. No route changes (geographic points) are taking place with this revision.
3. Military Operations Areas (MOA) and Restricted Areas. These also cover a large portion of Alaska. Please consult Flight Service Stations in applicable areas for the schedule. Several MOAs allow supersonic training. They are either restricted to 5,000' AGL or 10,000' or 12,000' MSL (whichever is higher) depending on the MOA. If aviators experience an event which they want to gain or pass information, they should call the wing public affairs office or the Alaskan Command 800 number at 538-6647.
4. Low Altitude VFR training. The airspace described above allows the Air Force to conduct high speed training. We have two aircraft which fly VFR at slow speeds, and don't require high speed airspace. Those are the A-10 and C-130 aircraft. In order to conduct varied training at slow speed, they fly in areas roughly within 150NM of both Anchorage and Fairbanks. They conduct enroute navigation training, which does not require special FAA allowances. A graphic is also listed on the web page.

5. The web site also contains Major Flying Exercise information. In the interior near the Alaska Highway, we provide the Special Use Airspace Information Service (SUAIS) on the web, telephone, and VHF radio. Please consult the web site for pertinent SUAIS information. Other useful airspace related web sites are the Mid-Air Collision Avoidance pages listed at both the 3 WG and 354 FW flight safety (SEF) public web pages (www.elmendorf.af.mil and www.eielson.af.mil), the Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation at <http://www.alaska.net/~etc/aasf>, and the FAA Alaska Region at <http://www.alaska.faa.gov/at>.

6. This aviation training allows the military to hone aircrew skills to accomplish our nation's defense objectives. We thank the flying public in Alaska for their unprecedented support and participation in aiding the Air Force in accomplishing the mission safely and efficiently. Without this support, we could not do our job. If you have any questions, or want to provide additional suggestions, my POC is Capt Gary Rolf, at 552-4056, gary.rolf@elmendorf.af.mil.


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