

# Offutt Air Force Base Environmental Management System

## Environmental Policy Commitment Statement

1. The Offutt AFB EMS Commitment Statement is issued by the Commander in accordance with the requirements of DAFI 32-7001, *Environmental Management*, and consistent with the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001:2015, *Environmental management systems – Requirements with guidance for use*.
2. The environmental policy is a declaration of Offutt senior leadership's commitment to the environment, serves as the foundation for the EMS, and is formalized through the signature of senior leadership. **All personnel working for the installation are expected to be familiar with and understand the policy.** This policy is considered when setting Offutt's environmental objectives and targets, and it is understood that the implementation of the EMS serves to make the commitments in this policy operational. The environmental policy is a vehicle for communicating Offutt AFB's aspirations for environmental protection. The environmental policy aligns with Offutt's core mission, regional/local environmental concerns and is appropriate to the nature, scale and environmental impacts of its activities, products and services.
3. The EMS Commitment Statement contains overarching commitments made by the senior leadership that include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - P** – Prevent. All personnel must be committed to **pollution prevention**.
  - I** – Improve. **Continuous improvement** is the cornerstone of the EMS.
  - C** – Comply. **Full compliance** with all national, state and local laws and regulations as well as DoD and Air Force directives are mandatory.
  - K** – Know. Base personnel shall **know how their job impacts the environment**.
4. The environmental policy is communicated to all persons working for or on behalf of the installation, and is made available to the public in accordance with the EMS Element, *Communication*. The EMS Commitment Statement is reviewed on an annual basis by the CFT and the Environmental Safety & Occupational Health Council (ESOHC).

## Offutt AFB Installation Risks

1. During the 05 May 2022 ESOHC meeting, two installation risks, the Construction Erosion and Sediment Training and the SAP/CAP RCRA Assurance Monitoring for Lincoln Operations, were maintained as status quo IAW DAFI 32-7001.
2. The installation is required to maintain one Environmental Action Plan (EAP) for one risk even though all 3 risks have assigned EAPs. The ESOHC approved an EAP for the creation of Refuse Dumpster Signage risk, and maintained the the POL Storage Tank Compliance installation risk, and Construction Erosion and Sediment Training risk on 29 April 2024.

# OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE



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## ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS)

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## EMS Training Requirements

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### All Offutt Personnel

are required to complete a one-time *EMS General Awareness Training* by any of the following means: (1) Online using myLearning, (2) **Preferred:** Online using The Environmental Awareness Course Hub TEACH.

### Unit Environmental Coordinators (UECs) and Cross-Functional Team (CFT) Members

CFT Members and UECs must complete additional training available on the The Environmental Awareness Course Hub (TEACH). EMS Practitioner Training or EMS Senior Leaders Training.

**Additional AFIT Training:** [https://www.afit.edu/CE/course\\_desc.cfm?p=WENV%20220](https://www.afit.edu/CE/course_desc.cfm?p=WENV%20220)



## What is an EMS?

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An Environmental Management System (EMS) is a standardized way for Air Force installations to manage their environmental programs (e.g., air quality, cultural resources, storage tanks, hazardous materials/wastes, natural resources, solid waste/recycling, water quality) and improve their environmental impacts.

Installations must implement an EMS in accordance with *DAFI 32-7001, Environmental Management*.

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## Get Involved—Join the Cross-Functional Team

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An effective EMS relies on the active participation and involvement of all base personnel. This is accomplished through the CFT, which meets quarterly to discuss environmental activities, issues, address challenges, and develop solutions. CFT members include military, civilian and contractors.

Squadrons must appoint at least one person as their CFT representative, plus an alternate, to serve on the CFT. These personnel, known as UECs, are the link between their unit and the installation's environmental functions.

## Key Resources & Contact Info

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- **Offutt AFB Environmental Element, 55 CES/CEIE** Manages environmental programs and EMS at Offutt AFB *Building 301D, Entrance 2 Phone: 402-294-4087*
- **Offutt AFB eDASH** Contains environmental and EMS-related documents and info  
<https://usaf.dps.mil/teams/10624/Offutt/SitePages/Home.aspx>
- **DAFI 32-7001—Environmental Management** Air Force instructions and requirements for EMS programs  
<https://www.e-publishing.af.mil/>
- **The Environmental Awareness Course Hub (TEACH) EMS General Awareness Training** Additional environmental training and information for all personnel, CFT Members, and UECs  
<https://usaf.learningbuilder.com/account/login?ReturnUrl=%2fHome%2fIndex>