# DISTRACTED DRIVING

Distracted driving is any activity that diverts a vehicle operators attention away from the main task of driving. Distractors include texting, cell phone use, eating, grooming, reading, etc. The best way to end distracted driving is to educate all personnel on the associated danger.

### MISHAP REPORTING

Military and civilian personnel must immediately noti-fy their supervisor of all on-duty mishaps. Military members are also required to report all off-duty mishaps. Supervisors must encourage injured personnel to seek medical attention and initiate an AF Form 978 (Supervisor's Mishap Report). In accordance with AFMAN 91-224, the completed mishap report (coordinated and reviewed by the unit safety representative and commander) must be turned in to the 78 ABW/SE or your respective safety office within 5 days of notification.

# **MISCELLANAEOUS**

Cell phone use is prohibited while driving without a proper hands-free device. Base security forces are responsible for enforcing speed limits and all other traffic laws. All state and local driving laws are applicable on base. Violations of traffic laws can be reported to the 78th Security Forces Law Enforcement Desk in Building 263, 926-2187

Balance boards or hover boards are only authorized for use in the military family housing and dormitory areas by residents. A helmet is required while operating hover boards or balance boards in those areas.

Smoking on Robins AFB is only allowed in designated tobacco areas.

> 78 ABW/SE Robins AFB, GA 31098 Installation Safety Office: 468-6271

# **78 ABW SAFETY OBJECTIVES**

# **78 ABW/SE**

Ensure the leadership of Robins AFB has the tools and training to provide a safe and healthful workplace to their Airmen; to know and enforce the standards that apply to their work areas.

# **78 ABW/SEG**

Educate the base populous of Robins AFB to create an Air Force cultural mindset in which every leader, Airman, and employee is trained and motivated to manage risk in all their on- and off-duty activities.

# **78 ABW/SEF**

Provide an array of capabilities to commanders and Airmen to identify, assess and mitigate operational risks to the flying mission of Robins AFB

# 78 ABW/SEW

Ensure commanders, supervisors and Airmen have the tools and training to establish and execute mishap prevention programs for all weapons and weapons systems on Robins AFB.

# **VPP**

Assist the Installation Commander and Robins AFB
Mission Partners in achieving Occupational Safety and
Health Administration (OSHA) Voluntary Protection
Programs (VPP) Star status.





# Robins Air Force Base Georgia

# LOCAL CONDITIONS INFORMATION



# "FOSTERING A POSITIVE SAFETY CULTURE AT ALL LEVELS"







78 ABW Installation Safety Office

Welcome to Robins AFB. As the largest industrial complex in the state of Georgia the safety of each individual is our priority. This pamphlet provides you with local information to ensure you stay safe while on the installation and travelling in the surrounding area.

# TRAFFIC SAFETY

Approximately 20,000 employees commute to the base each day through 4 gates. Therefore, you can expect some delay when travelling on and off base during certain peak periods. The speed limit on Robins AFB ranges from 10—35 MPH. The use of seatbelts are mandatory for all vehicle occupants equipped with restraining devices. It is illegal for a vehicle operator to use a cellular phone while driving unless equipped with handsfree technology. Texting and driving is illegal on Robins AFB and the state of Georgia.

As you travel across the installation, be mindful of Low Speed Vehicles (LSVs) such as industrial carts, forklifts, tugs, etc. LSVs are restricted from travelling certain high traffic sections of the installation. During certain times of the day, a high volume of pedestrian traffic can be seen along areas of the installation that house a large number of administrative functions. Pedestrians should remain vigilant at all times, while vehicle operators should remember pedestrians have the right of way while in a crosswalk. The speed limit in parking lots is 10 MPH.

There are a few Georgia State Laws that you need to know. Georgia's Move-Over Law is meant to keep police officers, emergency rescue vehicles and pedestrians safe from passing cars. This law requires vehicle operators to move-over a lane for emergency vehicles stopped on the side of the highway. The Georgia Super Speeder Law is designed to crack down on high-risk drivers who endanger others. Drivers can be fined an additional \$200 state fee if convicted of driving 75 MPH or more on any two lane road, or traveling 85 MPH and over anywhere in Georgia.

# MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

The 78 ABW Safety Office manages the installation motorcycle safety program. AFI 91-207 requires personal protective equipment (PPE) in the form of proper head (DOT approved helmet), eye (ANSI approved goggles, wrap around glasses or a full face shield attached to the helmet) foot (sturdy over the ankle footwear) and full finger hand protection to be worn. Riders are also required to wear a long sleeved shirt or jacket and trousers. Though not mandatory, riders should select PPE that incorporates fluorescent colors and retro-reflective material. Active duty military riders are required to maintain a Military Unit Safety Training Tool account. Specific training requirements for active duty members to operate a motorcycle are defined in AFI 91-207, Table 4. Civilian riders require a state drivers license with an M endorsement and follow all PPE requirements. Contact your unit motorcycle safety monitor or 78 ABW/SEG for assistance.

# LOCAL WILDLIFE AND ENVIRONMENT

Robins AFB property consists of approximately 6,700 acres. On our property you will find wildlife such as bears, wild hogs, deer, fox, beavers, geese, etc. You will also find reptiles such as alligators, turtles, lizards in our wetlands and a few ponds. Various types of venomous snakes (i.e. copper head, water moccasin and timber rattle snakes) also roam our woods. Pay attention and be respectful of our local creatures and your surroundings as you enjoy our woods.

Our humid subtropical climate is a thriving environment to variety of insects and bugs such as spiders, mosquitoes, gnats, ticks, fleas, etc. Wear proper clothing (i.e. long sleeve shirts/pants and boots) while trekking in the woods. Additionally, the use of proper insect repellant can help guard against insect bites.

Hunting and fishing are allowed at designated locations on the installation during certain times of the year. In addition to the Georgia hunting or fishing license, a Robins AFB license is also required. Contact 78 FSS Outdoor Recreation Office for further guidance.

# **HEAT STRESS**

It is not uncommon for temperatures in our local area to exceed 100 degrees Fahrenheit during our peak summer months (normally July—August). The high heat temperatures coupled with extreme humidity can pose potential heat stress injuries to some. During the peak summer months, Local heat index conditions are monitored throughout the day, along with recommended work-rest cycles. Proper hydration and resting in the shade or in an air-conditioned area will help reduce the potential health effects from heat stress.

# **5K and Other Trails**

When using the 5K and other trails, follow these safety tips: be vigilant and aware of your surroundings at all times. Always carry your cell phone for emergency use. Always travel with at least one other person. Avoid traveling on the trails during the hours of darkness. Let a friend or family member know where you will be going, the route you will be traveling and the time they can expect you home. Ensure you carry water for yourself and your pets. If you see or suspect suspicious activity, please call Security Forces at (478) 926-2187.

# **HAZARD REPORTING**

Since your safety is our primary concern, we encourage the timely reporting of hazards you may identify on the installation. Immediately notify your supervisor of any hazards in your workplace for corrective action. You can contact your facility managers to address safety concerns in the building where you work. You can also submit a completed AF Form 457 (Hazard Report) to 78 ABW/SE to report any safety issues or concerns. The Robins Hazard Reporting Tool (HRT) serves as an electronic equivalent to the AF Form 457. Access to the Robins HRT icon is available on every computer desktop connected to the Robins 2K domain.