

# R-2508 COMPLEX PILOT GUIDE 20 March 2019

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CCF online information at:

http://www.edwards.af.mil/Home/R-2508 or CCF SharePoint for CCF Online Daily Schedule & Information (Requires CAC and user account): https://usaf.dps.mil/teams/12162

## ANNUAL BRIEFING REQUIREMENT: All units and

civil LOA holders must receive the R-2508 Complex Users briefing from CCF, or their Sponsoring Command, prior to flying in R-2508 Complex airspace and annually thereafter.

#### SCHEDULING:

All activities must be scheduled. The Complex Clearance is valid 30 minutes prior to 1 hour after the scheduled time.

- ✤ Schedule with CCF by 1600(L) one working day prior to the date of intended use.
- ✤ Schedule ALL weekend/holiday events NLT 1600 (L) the last working day prior.
- ✤ Changes to previously scheduled events shall be coordinated with CCF 0600-1800 local, daily. After hours call 1-866-805-2851.

## DD Form 175, Military Flight Plan:

File two IFR legs; one to enter, and one to exit the Complex. File 'R-2508' as the destination or departure point. DO NOT file a delay in R-2508.

## **CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS:**

- → All Complex airspace is VFR, See and Avoid, nonexclusive use airspace.
- → All Complex operations require an <u>operational</u> transponder and Mode C and use of the <u>local altimeter setting</u>.

- ✤ <u>Do not</u> select targets of opportunity. You may be committing a security violation.
- Aircraft shall accept traffic advisories from JOSHUA Approach, China Control, or SPORT unless previously coordinated.
- → Work Area Frequencies:

| ISABELLA | 335.6 / 134.05 |
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| OWENS    | 322.3 / 126.55 |
| SALINE   | 256.8 / 123.95 |
| PANAMINT | 291.6 / 120.25 |

| $\rightarrow$ | <b>Control Facility Frequencies</b> |                |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
|               | JOSHUA                              | 348.7 / 133.65 |
|               | SPORT                               | 343.7 / 132.75 |
|               | China Control                       | 301.0 / 128.25 |
|               | Bicycle Lake                        | 281.45 /126.2  |

→ Low-level Procedures: Extended flight activities below 1,500 feet AGL in the Complex <u>SHALL</u> use <u>315.9 MHz to the maximum extent possible</u>. This frequency is NOT monitored by ATC, calls are pilot to pilot only. Call entry, exit, and geo reference points enroute.

## **COMPLEX CLEARANCES:**

All participating aircraft must contact Joshua Approach, to obtain a clearance, prior to operating in the Complex.

- → <u>SAGE 2</u>: Isabella, Owens, Saline, and Panamint, FL290 and below.
- → <u>PANCHO 3</u>: Isabella & Panamint FL500 and below; Owens & Saline FL290 and below.
- → WAR 2 (Green Flag West only): Saline and Panamint at and below FL290, Shoshone MOA, Shoshone North and South ATCAA's at and below FL230. If requested, and scheduled for higher altitudes in the Shoshone ATCAA's, pilots may expect clearance to those altitudes on a real-time basis. Operations in R-2502N/E shall be the responsibility of the pilot to Schedule and receive approval from the Using Agency, NTC Ft. Irwin.
- Operations in the Barstow MOA, Barstow East and West ATCAA's shall be the responsibility of the pilot to schedule with CCF. Requests, and or clearances, to work in areas other than those listed above, will be issued <u>separately</u>.

→ Entering internal restricted areas requires separate scheduling/approval with scheduling/using agency.

## **OVERFLIGHT RESTRICTIONS:**

- Overflight of Sequoia/Kings Canyon National Parks is restricted to at or above <u>18,000 MSL unless scheduled</u> <u>lower through CCF</u>. Death Valley National Park, Dome Land and John Muir Wilderness Areas is restricted to <u>3,000'AGL & 3,000' laterally. Strictly Enforced!</u>
- → Overflight of communities is restricted to 3,000' AGL unless operating on an approved test plan; charted airports by 1,500' AGL or 3NM; Mojave Airport Class D airspace (<u>4,800' MSL</u>).

## **Complex ACTIVITIES:**

- Refueling areas are NOT protected airspace.
  Non-participants avoid observed refueling formations by <u>5nm and 2,000ft</u>.
- ✤ Units participating in R-2502 exercises may exit north of the restricted area, into Panamint for IP to TGT runs, and may not be on Joshua frequency.
- → 'Lights-Out' operations are allowed in R-2505, R-2524, or R-2502N/E or as specified in the complex user's handbook.
- → Flares are allowed in internal restricted areas <u>only</u>, and must be prior-coordinated with the restricted areascheduling agency.
- → Electronic Counter Measures (ECM) must be precoordinated with Base Spectrum Managers. Inform CCF of these activities when scheduling.
- Supersonic flight is authorized in the High-Altitude or Black Mountain supersonic corridors <u>only</u>. Schedule with EDW ROC at DSN: 527-3940, Comm (661) 277-3940.
- → Intense civilian activities in the Mojave, California City, Tehachapi and Inyokern Airport areas, generally 12,000' MSL and below. Glider activity along southern Sierras FL180 and below, & higher during Wave Camp (Dec-April).

