

# **VF / VOLK FIELD**

**WISCONSIN AIR NATIONAL GUARD**



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# WELCOME

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Welcome to the Volk Field Air National Guard Base Combat Readiness Training Center (CRTC). As one of only four CRTCs in the nation, Volk Field prides itself by offering a 10,000-acre training complex.

Volk Field stands by its mission to “Deliver an advanced and diverse training environment to train the war fighter.” The Department of Defense is adapting quickly in response to a Great Power Competition. To accelerate readiness, Volk Field CRTC provides a war fighter’s “proving ground” to develop multi-capable Airmen for multi-domain operations across the spectrum of warfare by utilizing a 9,000-foot dedicated runway, modernized airspace complex, and a robust operational test and training infrastructure. The CRTC staff are committed to finding innovative and cost-effective ways to provide dynamic training and ensuring the customer experience exceeds training requirements.

The following pages contain various informational guides to help with your stay at Volk Field. Enjoy your time while here at Volk Field CRTC. Please do not hesitate to make contact with staff for anything you may need. Following your visit, please use a CAC capable device and fill out our survey Visiting Unit Post Exercise Survey



# COMMANDER'S EXPECTATIONS

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**WISCONSIN AIR NATIONAL GUARD  
VOLK FIELD AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE  
100 INDEPENDENCE DRIVE  
CAMP DOUGLAS, WI 54618-5001**

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12 January 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR VISITING UNITS FROM

VOLK FIELD CRTC/CC

SUBJECT: Visiting Unit Expectations

1. Thank you for choosing Volk Field for your training event. We hope that we will exceed your expectations and deliver a worthwhile experience for your members. As one of four Combat Readiness Training Centers in the Air National Guard, we offer unique opportunities to accomplish events that would otherwise be cumbersome or impossible to complete at your home station. While we strive to be a first-class customer service organization, there are some ground rules that I feel are important to establish.
2. Volk Field employees take tremendous pride in our facilities, equipment, and infrastructure. We ask that you make yourselves at home during the course of your visit and treat the staff and facilities as if they were your own. Please report any damage to equipment or facilities to the Volk Staff for our awareness and action. We understand that accidents happen and will work with you to resolve these issues as they arise. In the event that equipment or facilities are damaged, we will seek reimbursement from your unit to restore the resource to their previous condition.
3. While Volk Field offers a rare environment to eliminate distractions and roadblocks to training, this occasionally results in disciplinary issues. We expect that you will swiftly deal with any disciplinary issues that arise. Any incidents related to or involving the use of alcohol or prohibited substances, sexual assault/harassment, contact with law enforcement, or involving Volk Field staff must be reported to myself or my deputy as soon as possible. Reporting security events and violations, such as those involving controlled areas, is required to the Security Manager or Controlled Area Monitor in charge of the facility in question. Egregious or repeat violations may result in loss of privileges for your members.
4. We encourage you to keep safety at the forefront of your thoughts during your training at Volk Field. Should an injury occur, we have limited treatment resources available depending on severity. We ask that our safety office is kept informed of any mishaps to personnel or equipment that occur during your visit. Our safety office will work closely with your unit representatives to appropriately document the incident and determine follow-on actions.
5. Following your visit, we ask that you provide timely and relevant feedback to the Volk Field staff so that we can continue to strive for improvement. Please work with the Volk Field scheduling team to provide this data in a format that can assist us with future decision making. We value your opinions and seek honest feedback on what we are doing well and where we need to improve.
6. If there are any issues at any point during your stay that we can help you solve, please work with the Volk Field staff. I trust that they will handle your problems in a professional and courteous manner. If that is not the case, please contact myself or my deputy so we can help fix your concerns. I can be reached at 608-427-1200 [matthew.eakins.2@us.af.mil](mailto:matthew.eakins.2@us.af.mil). My deputy, Lt Col Stoddard, can be reached at 608-427-1050 [kalen.stoddard.3@us.af.mil](mailto:kalen.stoddard.3@us.af.mil). We hope to see you back at Volk Field in the future!

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MATTHEW E. EAKINS, Col, WI ANG  
Commander

# MVPS



## VOLK FIELD MVPs

**MISSION:** DELIVER AN ADVANCED AND DIVERSE TRAINING ENVIRONMENT TO TRAIN THE WAR FIGHTER

**VISION:** ONE TEAM, PROVIDING A WAR FIGHTER'S "PROVING GROUND," TO DEVELOP MULTI-CAPABLE AIRMEN FOR MULTI-DOMAIN OPERATIONS ACROSS THE SPECTRUM OF WARFARE

## COMMAND PRIORITIES

### GROWTH

- ▶ Partner with our families & neighbors
- ▶ Invest in providing the best subject matter experts for advising the customer
- ▶ Constantly prepare for your next big thing (personal & professional)

### POSITIVE CULTURE

- ▶ Develop environment where all employees feel valued, engaged and mission critical
- ▶ Be a center where the customer experience exceeds training requirements

### INNOVATION

- ▶ Find innovative and cost effective ways to provide dynamic training
- ▶ Be stewards of our resources and the environment

# GENERAL INFORMATION

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## LOCKED OUT OF YOUR ROOM?

Contact your Services personnel at Bldg 432 at 427-1470 or 427-1250.

If you are unable to reach anything during normal duty hours (M-F, 7:30 am to 4:00 pm), contact the Volk Field Lodging Office at 427-1754. After duty hours and on weekends, contact Base Security (Bldg 449) at 427-1236.

## LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found is located (Bldg 475). Please call 427-1754 for any lost items. All items turned in are kept for 30 days. After that, they will be disposed of.

## BUILDING PROBLEM

During normal duty hours, contact Volk Field Lodging at 427-1754. After duty hours or on weekends, contact Base Security at 427-1236 and they will contact the night/weekend maintenance person.

## MWR RECREATION SUPPLIES

Volk Field has miscellaneous MWR equipment for checkout such as: bikes, baseball equipment, footballs, volleyballs, horseshoes, disc golf, and basketballs. For a complete list, visit (Bldg 475) front desk.

## AIRMAN RESILIENCE CENTER

Building 427, open 24/7. DPH/ MFLAC/ Family Readiness/Lactation room/Feminine Products. Other lactation rooms found in 475 and 540.

## BASE EXCHANGE (BX)

The BX on Volk Field is an unstaffed, self-service kiosk, 24/7 facility. No tobacco or alcohol products available at this site. These are available at all local gas stations, closest one less than 1 mile from VF.

## MAILING ADDRESS

Volk Field CRTC  
 100 Independence Drive  
 Attn: RANK/NAME  
 Camp Douglas, WI 54618-5001  
 Phone (of Attn)

## BASE FACILITIES

Shipping and Receiving	Bldg 10	Airman Resilience Center (24/7)	Bldg 427
Headquarters	Bldg 100	Laundromat	Bldg 428
Museum	Bldg 101	Dining Facility (DFAC)	Bldg 449
Cyber	313	Security	Bldg 449
Fitness Centers (24/7)	Bldgs 137/ 316	Wilkening Hotel/ Lodging & Conference Center	Bldg 475
Vehicle Maintenance	Bldg 324	Fire Department	Bldg 510
Base Exchange (BX)	Bldg 400	Base Operations/Scheduling & ACTS	Bldg 511
Runway's Edge (All-ranks club)	Bldg 404	Squadron Ops	Bldg 540

# SAFETY BRIEF

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On behalf of the Safety Office, welcome to Volk Field ANGB. The Safety Office asks that you practice good Risk Management. Contact the Safety Office at 427-1230 if you have questions!

## ***Surrounding Area:***

The surrounding area does not have any area that is restricted for military personnel. There are also no high-traffic areas that you would need to avoid. If there is a status change and areas become restricted, there will be a posting in Bldg 475 and your chain of command will be notified so that they can inform you.

## ***The Base:***

The base speed limit is 25 mph unless otherwise posted and 10 mph around troops. No cell phone usage is permitted while driving on base unless it is hands free. Wisconsin has a “no text while driving” law and seat belt usage is mandatory on and off base. Riding in the back of pickup trucks is not permitted without a waiver (waiver applies to military trucks only) and your Commander must accept the risk. Waiver can be found on SharePoint website.

The maximum blood alcohol level (BAC) is 0.08 in Wisconsin. Security will not hesitate to pull you over at the gate if they smell alcohol.

To operate a motorcycle on base, you must have a valid motorcycle license; have completed motorcycle safety training; wear a DOT-approved helmet, glasses or shield, gloves, and bright upper garment; long sleeves, and long pants.

Bicyclists will wear helmets and a highly visible outer garment during the day and an outer garment containing retro-reflective material at night.

The use of headphones, earphones, cellular phones, iPods, or other listening and entertainment devices (other than hearing aids) are allowed on the sidewalks and running paths at Volk Field. You must stay within the crosswalks. Wearing these devices on roadways is not authorized or compliant with the Air Force Traffic Safety Program.

## ***Local Environmental Conditions:***

Weather in Wisconsin is variable and ranges from rain, sleet, snow, and hail, to high winds, humidity, and heat. When there is snow and ice on the road, be a defensive driver and allow extra time to get from point A to point B. In spring, summer, and fall, road construction is prevalent. Be aware of construction workers. Volk Field is nestled in the woods and out in the country. You may encounter wildlife. There are deer, coyotes, turkeys, squirrels, and skunks that cohabitate with us at Volk Field. **Please do not feed them.**

Ticks and mosquitos also like it here, so if you are in the tall grass or behind the bluff, make sure you are checking for ticks. Wear light-colored clothing, avoid tall grass, and, if needed, use bug spray. Contact Medical Personnel if a target-shaped redness appears on skin or if “flu-like” symptoms occur.

# TOBACCO & FIRE SAFETY


## Tobacco Use (IAW AFI 40-102 and AFI 40-102 VFSI, Tobacco Use in the Air Force)

- Volk Field has identified Designated Tobacco Areas (DTAs).
- The determined tobacco free boundaries around the base Medical Aid Station (Bldg 402) will be 250 feet in all directions.
- DTAs shall be a minimum of 50 feet from pedestrian walkways, to include parking lots, to prevent secondhand smoke exposure to passerby. Also 50 feet away from common points of facility entry/egress and not in front of buildings or air intake ducts.

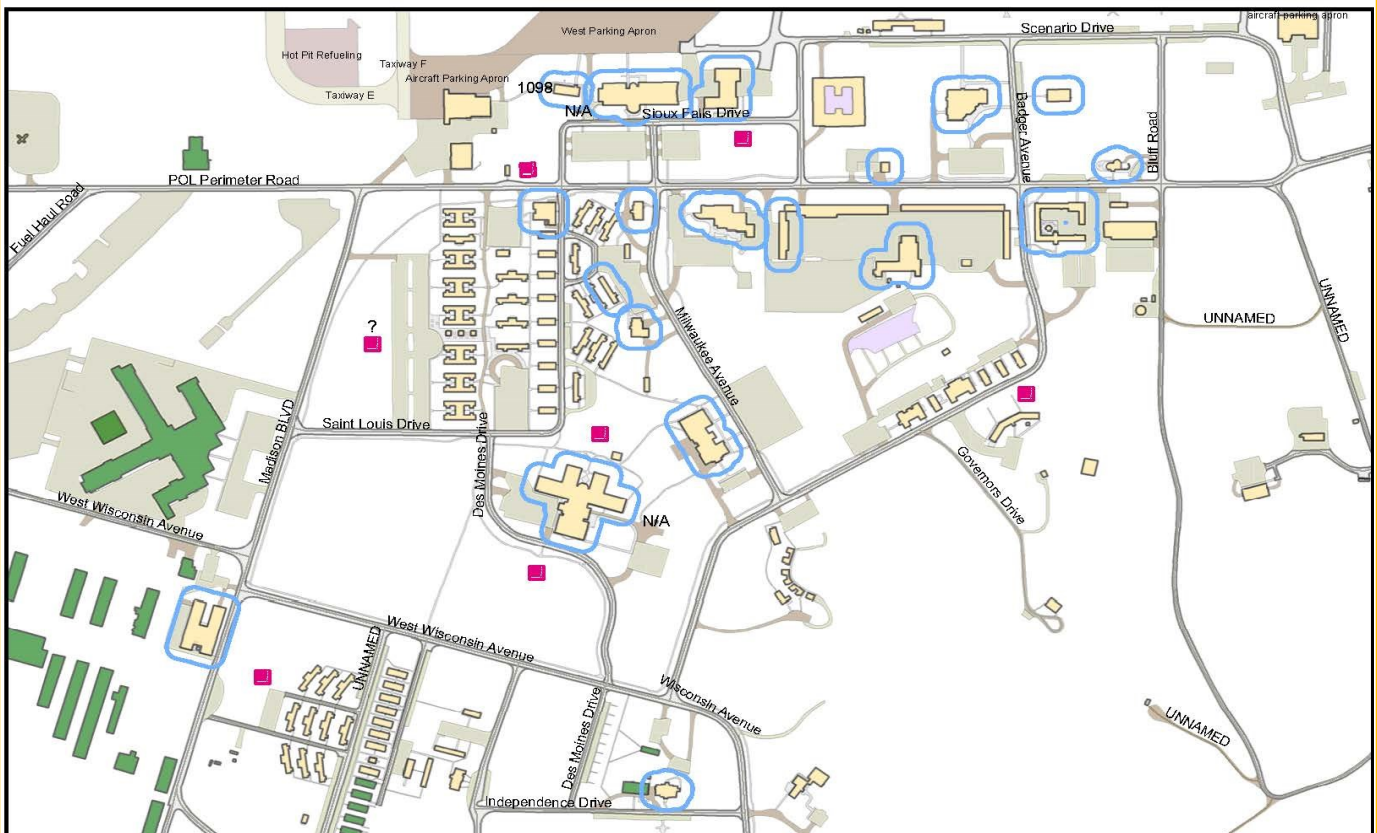
## Billeting Fire Prevention Rules (IAW Volk Field CRTIC Instruction 32-102, Fire Prevention and Protection)

- No smoking in buildings, to include bedrooms.
- Tampering with the fire protection or detection systems is a punishable offense.
- Flammable liquids and/or flammable gases will not be stored in dormitories.
- The following are not allowed in rooms: Portable Heaters, Hot Plates, Extension Cords, and Toasters. These appliances **may** be allowed in the day rooms at the discretion of the Fire Chief.
- Only Volk Field-provided appliances (coffee makers, microwaves, etc.) should be used in dormitories.
- **911 is for emergencies only. The Fire Department can be reached for non-emergencies at 427-1317 or 427-1417.**

 = Designated Tobacco Area (DTA)

 50 ft from pedestrian walkways to include parking lots.

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# ANTI-TERRORISM (ATO)

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**Terrorism is defined as:** The calculated use of violence, or the threat of violence, to inculcate fear; intended to coerce or intimidate governments or societies in the pursuit of goals that are generally political, religious, or ideological.

## **What to Report:**

**Surveillance:** Someone recording or monitoring activities. This may include the use of cameras (either still or video), note taking, drawing diagrams, annotating on maps, or using binoculars or other vision-enhancing devices.

**Elicitation:** People or organizations attempting to gain information about military operations, capabilities, or people. Examples could include being asked about what's happening at the base, getting troop strength numbers, or the number of airplanes on base.

**Tests of Security:** Any attempts to measure reaction times to security breaches or to penetrate physical security barriers or procedures in order to assess strengths and weaknesses. Example: A person grabs the base fence and shakes it to see how long it takes for police to respond.

**Acquiring Supplies:** Purchasing or stealing explosives, weapons, ammunition, detonators, timers, etc. Also includes acquiring military uniforms, decals, flight manuals, passes, or badges (or the equipment to manufacture such items) or other controlled items.

**Suspicious Persons Out of Place:** People who don't seem to belong in the workplace, neighborhood, business establishment, or anywhere else. This category is hard to define, but the point is that people know what looks right and what doesn't look right in their neighborhoods, office spaces, commutes, etc. If a person just doesn't seem like s/he belongs, there's probably a reason for that.

**Dry Run:** Putting people into position and moving them around according to their plan without actually committing the terrorist act. An element of this activity could also include mapping out routes and determining the timing of traffic flow. Take note of people moving around from place to place without any apparent purpose and doing it, perhaps, many times.

**Deploying Assets:** People and supplies getting into position to commit the act. This is your last opportunity to alert authorities before a terrorist act occurs. Look for people loading up vehicles with weaponry/explosives, etc., and/or parking that vehicle somewhere, or people in military uniforms (who don't look right) approaching an installation or getting into a vehicle, or people who seem out of place standing by at a certain locations as if waiting for something to happen.

## **What to do...**

**\*REMEMBER TO PROTECT YOURSELF FIRST\***

**DO NOT** confront the person.

**DO NOT** tamper with suspicious looking packages.

**DO NOT** disturb suspicious object(s).

**If you suspect anything suspicious, you should be prepared to:**

- **Give a description of the person(s):** Gender, race, height, weight, age, clothing, etc.
- **Mode of transportation:** Type, color, make, model, etc.
- **Type of suspicious activity:** Surveillance, elicitation, etc.
- **Location of suspicious activity:** Address, building, street, etc.

### **Immediate Threat/Emergency Contact:**

911 from any phone or mobile  
Security Forces: (608) 427-1236  
Anti-Terrorism Office: (608) 427-1177

# PHOTO POLICY

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## VOLK FIELD ANGB FLIGHTLINE

1. Use the Volk Field ANGB Flightline photo request form to submit requests. [VF ANGB Flightline Photo Request.pdf \(dps.mil\)](#)
2. This form will be used for tours, photography, and/or video within the confines of the VF ANGB flightline area anytime military aircraft/assets are positioned on the flightline. The flightline is defined as: **any area within the fenced area, including the parking aprons, taxiways, runway, and perimeter road**. This form will be completed and carried by the requesting individual during the execution of the requested event. All security requirements must be followed IAW AFI 31-101, AFI 16-1404, and any applicable VF ANGB Directives and Supplements.
3. The VF ANGB flightline is not inherently a Protection Level 3 (PL-3) area, however, if the flightline is deemed a PL-3 area by VF Security Forces, it is the responsibility of the requester to gain proper access to the flightline, or be accompanied by an escort whom is authorized unrestricted access to the flightline area.
4. VF ANGB reserves the right to confiscate any photography/video equipment used in the event of a suspected or actual violation, and may view any or all pictures/videos. Any release of media or information to outside sources must be coordinated through the VF CCZ Office.
5. For flightline access **while a PL-3**, the requester **MUST** contact Security Forces at (608) 427-1236 **and** Airfield Management at (608) 427-1205 to coordinate movement on the flightline. For flightline access when **not** a PL-3, the requester **MUST** contact Airfield Management to coordinate movement on the flightline.
6. The requesters signature shows agreement of compliance to all guidance listed above. Any questions or concerns can be directed to the Volk Field CRTC/CCZ Office at (608) 427-1080 or (608) 427-1774.



# IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

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**Calling 911 from any landline or mobile device, will connect to Juneau County Dispatch.  
For immediate assistance, call Volk Security (608) 427-1236**

Following the 911 call, please call Volk Security (608) 427-1236 to inform

## LOCAL HOSPITAL/CLINIC INFORMATION

### TOMAH HEALTH

*Urgent care and ER*

501 Gopher Dr,

Tomah, WI 54660

Phone: (608) 372-2181

### GUNDERSEN LUTHERAN HEALTH SYSTEM

Tomah: Phone: (608) 372-4111

La Crosse: Phone: (608) 782-7300

Onalaska : Phone: (608) 775-8100

### MAYO CLINIC HEALTH SYSTEM

Tomah: Phone: (608) 392-5000

Sparta 608-269-1770

Lacrosse: Phone: (608) 785-0940

Onalaska: (608) 392-5000

### TOMAH VA MEDICAL CENTER

500 E Veterans Street

Tomah, WI 54660

Phone: (608) 372-3971

**Emergency (SF/BDOC, 24/7): (608) 427-1236**

**Fire Department (Non-Emergency): (608) 427-1417**

**Sexual Assault Response Coordinator 24/7 Help Line: (608) 387-5692**

**Noise Complaints: (608) 427-1260**

**CRTC Scheduler: (608) 427-1273**

**Anti-Terrorism Office: (608) 427-1177**

# FITNESS CENTER

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The Volk Field Fitness Center is located in Bldg 316. If you see any issues, please report them to our Services personnel at (608) 427-1460.

## BASIC RULES OF THE FITNESS CENTER

1. This is an unmanned facility and considered “*workout at your own risk.*” For this reason, you are encouraged to utilize the wingman/buddy concept when working out. Volk Field shall not be held liable for any injury incurred. **PLEASE SIGN IN.**
2. It is a privilege, not a right, to use this facility and if you cannot follow the rules, then your privileges will be revoked.
3. Volk Field Fitness Center is open to members and dependents of the CRTC, 128 ACS, 126 WF, Retirees, and TDY members of Volk Field ANGB.
4. All patrons are to be greater than 16 years of age. Other non-DoD personnel are required to coordinate use with the Services NCOIC at (608) 427-1244.
5. The facility is open to all DoD employees during the hours of 1000 - 1400. Individuals must be over the age of 16 to utilize the space.
6. Dress Code: Appropriate exercise clothing and **CLEAN** athletic shoes are required. Shirts and shoes are to be worn at all times. Inappropriate clothing includes, but is not limited to: sandals, flip-flops, work boots, jeans, suggestive clothing, and clothing with offensive language and/or graphics. Members not wearing proper attire will be asked to change into appropriate exercise clothing or leave the facility.
  - Military uniforms are authorized to be worn during workouts and members may remove their uniform coat (blouse); however, t-shirts are to be worn. Boots are not authorized on treadmills.
7. No bags or backpacks are permitted on the fitness floor. The locker rooms are to be used to store shoes, clothes, bags, valuables, etc. They are not for overnight use. All locks are required to be removed at the end of the day. Volk Field is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
8. Participants are expected to be courteous of each other and staff. Courteous behavior includes, but is not limited to, appropriate language and gestures. Volumes are to be kept at tolerable levels and TV channels/music are to be in good taste. Offensive stations or loud volumes may be asked to be changed or turned down.
9. Abuse of the equipment will not be tolerated. This includes dropping of dumbbells, free weights, machine weights, and deadlifts. The floor is not designed to handle this type of wear and tear.
10. Free weights and plates **MUST** be returned to their correct locations as soon as you are finished with them. This includes barbells, dumbbells, and all plates.
11. After using a piece of equipment, wipe it down with a towel and disinfectant or provided gym wipes.
12. To help conserve energy, please turn off all lights, TVs, radios, and fans if you are the last one leaving the facility.
13. An additional fitness facility is located in Bldg 137. The same rules apply.

# Helpful Links

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[Travel Wisconsin - Official Guide to Wisconsin Tourism](#)

[Tripadvisor: Over a billion reviews & contributions for Hotels, Attractions, Restaurants, and more](#)

[Volk Field ANGB > Home \(af.mil\)](#)

[Volk Field ANGB > About Us > Resources \(af.mil\)](#)

[VF ANGB Flightline Photo Request.pdf \(dps.mil\)](#)

[Home - Home \(dps.mil\)](#) —Share Point

[Visiting Unit Post Exercise Survey - New Item \(dps.mil\)](#)

[Ft. McCoy - US Army MWR](#)

[Facilities & Services :: Fort McCoy \(army.mil\)](#)

[Volk Field ANGB | Camp Douglas WI | Facebook](#)

[www.instagram.com/volkfieldangb](http://www.instagram.com/volkfieldangb)

# REGIONAL EVENTS

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## **FREEZE FEST**

JANUARY 30-FEBRUARY 5

Held annually the first weekend of February and features activities like a Medallion Hunt, bingo and euchre, snowshoe and cross country skiing, ice fishing, open ice skating, remote control car races, an ice sculpture contest, chili cook-off and silent auction. All funds raised support the Tomah Rotary programs.

## **CAMP DOUGLAS ARMED FORCES DAYS**

Armed Forces Day weekend

Held annually on Armed Forces Day weekend, the event features a two-day live music concert, which has hosted artists such as Travis Tritt, Craig Campbell, Kip Moore, LANCO, and the Oak Ridge Boys. The weekend also features a parade and a 5-mile Bluff Mudder race through the bluffs over obstacles, water challenges, and hurdles.

## **BUTTERFEST**

SECOND WEEKEND OF JUNE

Held annually in June, the summer festival features events like carnival rides, inflatables, beer tent, food vendors, softball tournament, flea market, bingo, live music, parade, pancake breakfast, golf tournament, ATV/UTV ride, cow milking contest, car show, cornhole tournament and more. Visit [www.spartabutterfest.com](http://www.spartabutterfest.com) for more details.

## **BUDWEISER DAIRYLAND TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL**

THIRD WEEKEND OF JUNE

The three-day event is held annually in June. The Tomah Pull is the only event on the NTPA circuit that hosts every division of competition (twelve) with each division hooking twice." Visit [www.tomahtractorpull.com](http://www.tomahtractorpull.com) to learn more.

## **DOWNTOWN THURSDAY NIGHTS**

WEEKLY DURING JULY AND AUGUST

Weekly live music concerts in downtown Tomah featuring a kid zone, food, and drinks.

## **MONROE COUNTY FAIR**

THIRD WEEK OF JULY

Held annually in June, the summer festival features events like carnival rides, cornhole tournament, kids pedal pull, chicken Q, livestock auction, live music, car show, antique farm/tractor pull, and more. Visit [www.monroecountyfairwi.com](http://www.monroecountyfairwi.com) for more.

## **WARRENS CRANBERRY FESTIVAL**

SECOND WEEKEND OF JUNE

Held annually in September, the world's largest cranberry festival hosts more than 120,000 visitors to experience shopping, arts and crafts, fresh produce, and food vendors. Get a walking tour of a cranberry marsh and learn about the history and production of cranberries in the area. Visit [www.cranfest.com](http://www.cranfest.com) for more details.

## **OKTOBERFEST**

LAST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER

Held annually in September, the three-day festival in downtown La Crosse is renowned as the third-best Oktoberfest celebration in the U.S. Festival events include the Torchlight and Maple Leaf parades, live music, craft beer night, Lederhosen games, stein holding tournament, carnival rides, walk/run, fireworks, medallion hunt, and the tapping of the Golden Keg. It's *Das Beste!*

## **HUSTLERFEST**

LAST FULL WEEKEND BEFORE LABOR DAY

Hustlerfest is based in the little village of Hustler, WI, and is hosted by the Hustler Booster Club to support the community. Events include tractor pulls, a chicken dinner, kid pedal pulls, and fun games for all ages. Hustlerfest is a family fun event always during the last full weekend before Labor Day.

## **WaDuShuda Days**

FIRST FULL WEEKEND OF JULY

WaDuShuda Days (meaning "rest your canoe here") is New Lisbon's annual festival. It's origin traces back to New Lisbon's original Ho-Chunk heritage and the mission is to provide a free, fun-filled, family-oriented weekend with food, music, games, various events, and Saturday night fireworks.

# SURROUNDING COMMUNITY

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## CAMP DOUGLAS

Population: 601  
Distance from VF: 1 mile

## HUSTLER

Population: 194  
Distance from VF: 5.24 miles-South

## OAKDALE

Population: 302  
Distance from VF: 6.4 miles-West

## NEW LISBON

Population: 1,748  
Distance from VF: 6.3 miles-East

## TOMAH

Population: 9,570  
Distance from VF: 14 miles-West

## SPARTA

Population: 10,025  
Distance from VF: 30 miles-West

## MAUSTON

Population: 4,347  
Distance from VF: 15 miles-East

## WISCONSIN DELLS

Population: 3,200  
Distance from VF: 34 miles-East  
The Waterpark Capital of the World

## BARABOO

Population: 12,048  
Distance from VF: 45.5 miles-East

## ONALASKA

Population: 18,803  
Distance from VF: 52 miles-West

## LA CROSSE

Population: 51,647  
Distance from VF: 55 miles-West

## FORT McCOY

Distance from VF: 30 miles-West  
Fort McCoy is an active United States Army installation. It is located on 60,000 acres between Sparta and Tomah in Monroe County.

- **Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare & Recreation (DFMWR)** provides a wide array of services and programs including family/child/youth programs; recreation, sports, and fitness activities; food and catering; entertainment; travel and leisure lodging operations.
- **Commissary:** The commissary at Fort McCoy is the only commissary in Wisconsin. Hours: Monday-Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Exchange:** Serves military and civilians and features the main Exchange, military clothing sales, a laundromat, a dry-cleaning and alteration shop, a barber shop, a gas station, and a Specialty Express Food Court.
- **McCoy's Community Center:** watch all your favorite sporting events or kick back with a few. It is a sports themed bar, food and beverages, bowling center, banquet rooms, catering service, an outdoor courtyard, plus recreational activities.
- **ID Cards/DEERS:** PIN resets, broken cards, dependent cards, adding spouse, etc.
- **Automotive Skills Center, Car Wash, Museum**
- **Whitetail Ridge Ski Area:** Open mid-December through mid-March to the public, weather permitting. Snow-making and snow-grooming capabilities. Offers skiing, snowboarding, and snowtubing slopes, along with equipment rentals.
- **Pine View Campground and recreation:** Open to the public year-round. Rentals available to include RVs, boats, and sporting equipment, firearm and archery range.
- **Hunting & Fishing:** Hunting, fishing, and trapping opportunities are available to military (active and retired), their dependents, and the general public.

# HISTORY

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## VOLK FIELD AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE

The origin of Volk Field and Camp Williams can be traced back to 1888, when the State Adjutant General, General Chandler Chapman, purchased a site for a rifle range and offered it to the state for training. In 1889, the State Legislature authorized the purchase of 600 acres for a permanent camp and rifle range for the Wisconsin National Guard. By 1903, it had expanded to over 800 acres and became a model training camp that was often visited by officials from other states. The site was named Camp Williams in 1927 in honor of Lt Col Charles R. Williams, who was the Chief Quartermaster of the post from 1917 until his death in 1926.

In 1936, construction of the airfield began. However, it was August 1940 before the first hard surface runway was opened. In 1949, the 148th Fighter Interceptor Squadron from Duluth, Minnesota, began using the airfield for its training. During the Korean War and the remainder of the 1950s, units from Colorado, Indiana, Kansas, New York, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Missouri, Washington, DC, and Wisconsin trained at the field.

In 1954, the Federal Government leased the field from the State of Wisconsin for use as a Permanent Field Training Site (PFTS). That same year, the Hardwood Air-to-Ground Gunnery Range opened near Finley, Wisconsin. The first jet aircraft landed on the airfield in 1955. A small portion of the base remained as Camp Williams.

In the 1980s, Volk Field began year-round operations for training the Wisconsin ANG as well as units from all other services and some foreign countries. Volk Field and Camp Williams remain two separate installations within a cojoined perimeter. Volk Field ANGB is physically the larger of the two, consisting of approximately 2,300 acres and 450+ full- and part-time personnel in three separate units: the Combat Readiness Training Center (CRTC), the 128th Air Control Squadron (ACS), and the 126th Weather Flight (WF).

On June 23, 1956, during the annual Governor's Day observances at Camp Williams, the National Guard rededicated the part of the facility that was used by the Air National Guard as "Volk Field", in memory of First Lieutenant Jerome A. Volk, the first Wisconsin Air National Guard pilot killed in combat in the Korean Conflict."

Lieutenant Volk entered the Enlisted Reserve Corps, U.S. Army, on June 15, 1943, and began the Air Cadet Training Program seven days later. He successfully completed the program, graduated, and received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps on December 22, 1943. During World War II, he flew P-51s and qualified for the American Campaign Medal.

Lieutenant Volk joined the Wisconsin Air National Guard on January 12, 1949, and was assigned to the 126th Fighter Squadron in Milwaukee. He was promoted to First Lieutenant on August 24, 1949. On February 28, 1951, Lieutenant Volk was called to active duty and his squadron to serve with the U.S. Air Force. He was assigned to duty in the 35th Fighter Squadron in Korea where he was killed on November 7, 1951, while flying a mission in an F-80 "Shooting Star" jet fighter.



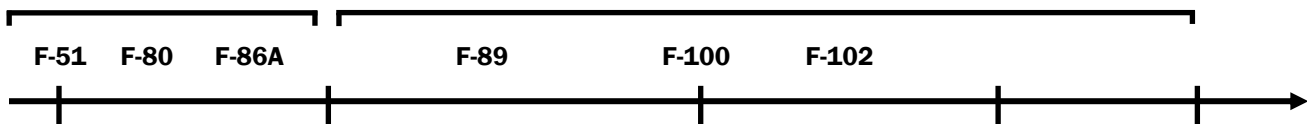
# LEGACY OF TRAINING

## 1947-1986



Separating from US Army, Props to Jets

Air Defense Command (ADC) Integration of ANG Units, First Line Defense



**1947**

Establishment of USAF/ANG

**1953**

Reorganization of ANG, Establishment of Training Sites

**1965**

Volk Field Established as Dispersal Operating Base

**1974**

**1986**

Goldwater Nichols Act, Joint Training



## 1986-2019

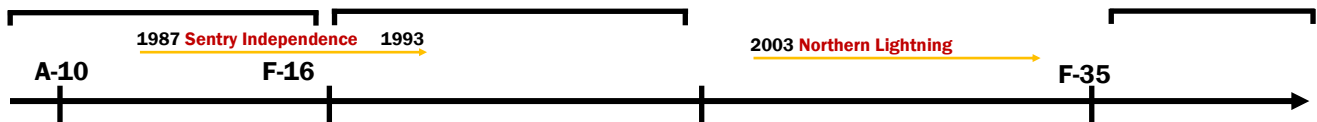


Cold War

Gulf War, Northern/Southern Watch

Establishment of AMC/ACC

2018 NDS Plan



**1986**

Goldwater Nichols Act, Joint Training

**1990**

4x Combat Readiness Training Centers (CRTCS) Established

**2001**

Global War on Terrorism

**2016**

USAF OTI Plan Blended Live Synthetic Joint Certified/Accredited

# UNITS

## COMBAT READINESS TRAINING CENTER (CRTC)

The Air National Guard Combat Readiness Training Center (CRTC) at Volk Field Air National Guard Base (ANGB), in Wisconsin, is one of four CRTCs located in the United States. The others are located in Alpena, Michigan, Gulfport, Mississippi, and Savannah, Georgia.

The CRTCs are funded by the National Guard Bureau (NGB) in Washington, D.C., and are directly under the command of the State Adjutant General. Though primarily tasked with supporting Air National Guard (ANG) units, the CRTCs provide training opportunities for all Department of Defense (DoD) services and components. Besides the ANG, Volk Field regularly supports forces from the Army National Guard (ARNG), Active Air Force, Air Force Reserves (AFRes), the Marine Corps, and Naval Reserves. Nonmilitary users include federal, state, and local First Responder agencies, the Civil Air Patrol, and youth organizations.

The mission of the CRTC is to provide a year-round training environment for ANG units to enhance their combat readiness. The CRTC allows training to be accomplished that isn't possible at the unit's home station. The facilities approximate a Forward Operating Location (FOL) and provide a realistic setting for the conduction of unit Operational Readiness Exercises and Inspections (OREs/ORIs). Additionally, the CRTC oversees operations and scheduling of the Hardwood Weapons Range (HWR) and over 11,200 miles<sup>2</sup> of military special use training airspace.



## 126TH WEATHER FLIGHT

### AT A GLANCE

- Tempo: 2 OCONUS deployments since 2017 (5:1)
- Mission: Army/Air Deployed Weather Support
  - Deployed Army Infantry Operations
  - 115FW Strike Weather
- Current focus: 2017 Weather Reorganization
  - Equipment: TMQ-53 Weather Sensor
  - WI Emergency Management / JOC Operations
- CRTC Support
  - Northern Lightning: Host weather unit
  - Patriot: Host weather unit
  - Volk Weather Station: Utilize Expert Forecasters

### FEDERAL MISSION

Provide tactical meteorological weather support to U.S. Army Brigade Combat Teams and Battlefield Surveillance Team. Maintain readiness to deploy worldwide for full spectrum operations. The 126 WF currently supports the following units:

- 32d IBCT, WI NG
- 2/34 IBCT, IA NG
- 33d IBCT, IL NG
- 67th Battlefield Surveillance Brigade, NE NG

### STATE MISSION

Provide tactical meteorological weather support under the orders of the Governor of Wisconsin as directed by The Adjutant General in response to Joint Operations Centers request during State Directed Emergencies.

### ORGANIZATION

The unit is composed of the Commander and her staff. There is one full-time employee and Traditional Guardsmen who are all organized, trained, and equipped to perform their missions as directed by the Governor of the State of Wisconsin through the Adjutant General.

# UNITS

## 128TH AIR CONTROL SQUADRON

### **FEDERAL MISSION**

Worldwide Deployable Control and Reporting Center (CRC): The federal mission of the 128 ACS is to maintain and operate a Control and Reporting Center. The CRC is a mobile command, control, and communications radar element of the U.S. Air Force Command and Control Enterprise. The CRC integrates a comprehensive air picture via multiple data links from air-, sea-, and land-based sensors, as well as from its surveillance and control radars. It performs decentralized command and control of joint operations by conducting threat warning, battle management, theater missile defense, weapons control, combat identification, and strategic communications.

### **STATE MISSION**

Provide the Governor of Wisconsin the capability for a highly mobile Command, Control, Computer, Communications, and Intelligence element, capable of supporting any contingency. This mission encompasses natural disaster relief, counter-narcotics activities to local law enforcement agencies, and support to State agencies during times of crisis.

### **CRTC MISSION**

Enhance the CRTC capabilities by providing flying units with Command, Control, Communications, Computer, and Intelligence support during inspections, exercises, and annual training. On a daily basis the 128 ACS provides airspace management to ANG and AFRes aircrews from seven surrounding states.

### **FACILITIES**

The 128 ACS occupies six facilities on the Volk Field CRTC. The Headquarters, Maintenance, and Operations are located in a state-of-the-art facility. Radar Maintenance is located in a building near the radar while Vehicle Maintenance, Aerospace Ground Equipment (AGE), and Material Control are collocated with Volk Field facilities sharing common resources.

### **RESOURCES**

The CRC consists of several separate subsystems all integrated to perform its various missions. The AN/TPS-75 Radar System is a mobile tactical radar system capable of providing 3-D 360-degree coverage out to 240NM. It provides a “real-time” radar air-space picture and data in support of the Joint Forces Air Component Commander (JFACC). The data from the TPS-75 is passed to the AN/TYQ-23 Operations Module (OM) for processing and action by operators.

The OM is the heart of the CRC as it displays the information obtained from various sensors. It is a transportable, tailorable, and automated C2 battle management system capable of supporting worldwide contingency operations. It provides a versatile means of acquiring real-time and near-real-time (NRT) information from multiple air-, sea-, land-, and space-based sensors. It enables C2 of air and space forces through the spectrum of military operations, and collaterally provides joint and theater commanders with an accurate and reliable integrated battle space picture.

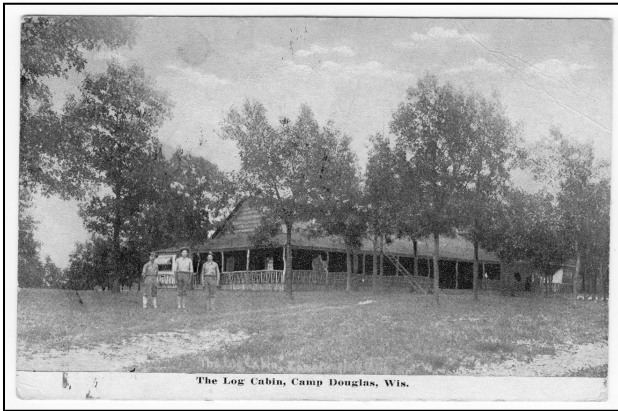
The CRC has Theater Deployable Communications (TDC), which is a ground-to-ground communications infrastructure designed to transmit and receive voice, data, and video communications securely to or from wireless, satellite, or hard-wired sources.



# AIR PARK

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For more information about the Volk Field Airpark, please visit the [Volk Field webpage](#). There, you can read up in more detail about the aircraft positioned here and watch historical videos.



The Wisconsin National Guard Museum (Bldg 101) is affectionately known as “The Log Cabin.” It was built in 1917 as an Officer’s Club, and was used for that purpose until 1983. It now houses historical exhibits portraying the history of the Wisconsin Army and Air National Guard, and the famed 32nd “Red Arrow” Division. It is the oldest building on base.

Museum hours are 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Wednesday through Saturday, and 10:00 am - 2:00 pm on Sunday.

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The P-51D (S/N 44-72989) on display came from the Minnesota ANG, 109 Fighter Interceptor Squadron, and is alleged to have been flown by astronaut Donald “Deke” Slayton, from Sparta, Wisconsin, while a member of that unit. Volk Field’s namesake, 1st Lt. Jerome A. Volk, flew P-51s during WWII with the Army Air Corps.

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The F-86 is the USAF’s first swept-wing jet fighter. It made its initial flight on October 1, 1947. This aircraft bears the name of Maj Gen (Ret.) Raymond Matera, Wisconsin’s Adjutant General from 1979-1989.

# AIR PARK



The A-7D Corsair II (S/N 70-0982) was a single-seat aircraft designed specifically for the Close Air Support mission during the Vietnam era. This aircraft was last flown by the 156th Tactical Fighter Group of the Puerto Rico ANG.



The A-10 Thunderbolt II is the first USAF aircraft designed specifically for close air support of ground forces. This aircraft bears the names of Brig Gen (Ret.) Gary Ebben, the WI Assistant Adjutant General—Air (2012-2020) and CMSgt (Ret.) Brian Carroll of the 115th Fighter Wing, based out of Madison, Wisconsin.



The F-4C Phantom was originally designed as an attack aircraft and put into service by the US Navy in 1961. This aircraft was last flown by the 107th Fighter Interceptor Squadron of the New York ANG.



The F-84F Thunderstreak evolved from the straight-wing F-84. It was first delivered to the USAF in 1954, primarily to the Tactical Air Command as a ground support fighter-bomber. This aircraft was last flown by the 131st Tactical Fighter Group of the Missouri ANG.



The F-100 Super Saber was the first operational USAF fighter to fly at supersonic speed in level flight. It was used extensively in the Vietnam War. This aircraft was last flown by the 132nd Tactical Fighter Wing of the Iowa ANG.

# AIR PARK

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The F-102A Delta Dagger is a supersonic all-weather, fighter-interceptor. The TF-model is the subsonic side-by-side two-seat training version. These “Deuces” were flown by the 176th Fighter Interceptor Squadron of the Wisconsin ANG at Truax Field in Madison.

The A-model bears the name of Col Walton “Wally” Nichols, Commander of the Volk Field ANGB from 1980-1984.

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The F-105B Thunderchief is the largest single-seat, single engine combat aircraft in history and is notable for its large internal bomb bay and unique swept-forward engine inlets in the wing roots.

The “Thud” on display was last flown by the 466th Tactical Fighter Squadron (AFRes) from Hill AFB, Utah.

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The KC-97L Stratotanker was introduced in 1950 using the “flying boom” refueling system, and had the capability of serving as heavy cargo aircraft without removing refueling gear.

This aircraft was flown by the 128th Air Refueling Group of the WI ANG in Milwaukee. It was retired in 1972 when that unit converted to the present-day KC-135.

# AIR PARK

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The F-15 Eagle is an all-weather, extremely maneuverable, tactical fighter designed to permit the Air Force to gain and maintain air supremacy over the battlefield. The F-15 has electronic systems and weaponry to detect, acquire, track, and attack enemy aircraft while operating in friendly or enemy-controlled airspace.

This aircraft was last flown by the 159th Fighter Wing of the Louisiana ANG.

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**COMING SOON**

The F-16 Fighting Falcon is a compact, multi-role fighter aircraft. It is highly maneuverable and has proven itself in air-to-air combat and air-to-surface attack. It provides a relatively low-cost, high-performance weapon system for the United States and allied nations.

The cockpit and its bubble canopy give the pilot unobstructed forward and upward vision, and greatly improved vision over the side and to the rear.

The F-16 static display is coming to Volk Field mid year 2024.

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Volk Field also houses static displays from the U.S. Army include the following armor, artillery, and aircraft pieces:

- M4A3 Sherman tank
- M48 Patton II tank
- M60A3 tank
- AH-1S Cobra
- UH-1 Huey
- M115 8 inch
- M3A1 37mm anti-tank gun
- Type 38 75mm field gun
- M110A Self-propelled 8 inch Howitzer
- M1906 4.7 inch field gun
- M114A2 15mm Howitzer

