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SQUADRON TWO TWO**

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THE HISTORY OF STRIKE FIGHTER SQUADRON TWO TWO

The Fighting Redcocks of Strike Fighter Squadron TWO TWO have been a mainstay of Naval Aviation for over 60 years. Originally commissioned as Fighter Squadron 63 at Naval Air Station Norfolk, Virginia in July 1948, the squadron was re-designated Attack Squadron 22 in July 1959. The first pilots flew the Grumman F-8F Bearcat, with the squadron later operating the F-4U Corsair, F9F-2/5 Panther, F9F-6/8 Cougar, FJ-4B Fury, A-4B/C/D/F Skyhawk, A-7E Corsair II, FA-18C Hornet and the FA-18E/F Super Hornet. Today, the Fighting Redcocks are based in NAS Lemoore, California and operate the two seat FA-18F Super Hornet, the Navy's newest and most lethal strike-fighter aircraft.

For nearly 60 years, the Fighting Redcocks repeatedly have been called into action in support of U.S. national policy. The squadron completed three combat deployments during the Korean War and six combat deployments during the Vietnam War. In 1988, the squadron deployed aboard USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) and participated in Operation EARNEST WILL. During that deployment, VA-22 aircraft participated in sinking the Iranian Frigate SAHAND which had fired missiles at two A-6E Intruders during Operation PRAYING MANTIS. In 1993, the Fighting Redcocks deployed to the Arabian Gulf aboard USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN 72) participating in Operation SOUTHERN WATCH enforcing the United Nations No-Fly Zone over southern Iraq. Before returning home from deployment, ABRAHAM LINCOLN was diverted to the coast of Somalia where the Redcocks provided air support for United Nations forces during Operation CONTINUE HOPE. In December 1998, VFA-22 led the only Carrier Air Wing ELEVEN air strike of Operation DESERT FOX which significantly degraded Iraq's capability to produce and deliver weapons of mass destruction. In October 2001, USS CARL VINSON (CVN 70) with VFA-22 aboard was the first carrier on station to perform strikes

against Taliban and Al Qaeda forces in Afghanistan in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. The squadron flew over 500 sorties and delivered over 300 tons of ordnance in the opening days of the Global War on Terror. In January 2003, VFA-22 joined Carrier Air Wing NINE and completed an eight-month WESTPAC deployment aboard CARL VINSON. Following the 2003 deployment, VFA-22 traded their FA-18Cs for the Navy's new FA-18E Super Hornets and joined Carrier Air Wing FOURTEEN. In 2006, the Redcocks participated in the maiden deployment of USS RONALD REAGAN (CVN 76) while supporting coalition forces in Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. During the 2006 deployment, VFA-22 flew an impressive 2,390 sorties totaling 3,685 flight hours in support of the Global War on Terror. In January 2007, the Fighting Redcocks deployed as an element of the USS RONALD REAGAN Carrier Strike Group for a short notice Surge deployment to the western Pacific. Returning home in April of that year, the Redcocks received Lot 29 FA-18F Super Hornets equipped with the APG-79 Active Electronically Scanned Array (AESA) Radar. The Fighting Redcocks deployed again in the spring of 2009 as part of the USS RONALD REAGAN Carrier Strike Group and in the winter of 2010 as part of the USS CARL VINSON Carrier Strike Group. The most recent Redcock deployment was with the USS CARL VINSON Carrier Strike Group from November 2011 until May 2012 and supported Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. During WESTPAC 2011/2012, the Fighting Redcocks flew 1500 combat hours in direct support of coalition ground forces and employed ordnance with 100 percent weapons effectiveness.

Throughout history, the Redcocks consistently have made a significant and positive impact on Naval Aviation's operational capabilities. In 1985, the squadron was the first West Coast squadron to successfully employ an AGM-88 High-Speed Anti-Radiation Missile (HARM). In 1993, VFA-22 was the first Navy squadron to deploy with the AIM-120 Advanced Medium Range Air to Air Missile (AMRAAM). In 1999, Fighting Redcock aviators employed the AGM-154 Joint Stand-Off Weapon (JSOW) in combat for the first time. During Operation ENDURING FREEDOM in 2001, VFA-22 not only employed record amounts of ordnance, but also was one of the first Navy squadrons to integrate the Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) into the close air support mission.

During the command's history, the Fighting Redcocks have deployed on sixteen different aircraft carriers and have won many distinctive honors. The squadron received the C. Wade McClusky Award in 1981, designating the squadron the finest attack squadron in the Navy; the Navy Battle Efficiency "E" five times, including three consecutive awards from 1979-1981; two Navy Unit Commendations; two Meritorious Unit Commendations; three prestigious Bruce Carrier Awards for Maintenance Excellence and multiple Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet Retention Excellence Awards.

The Sailors of the VFA-22 Fighting Redcocks are justifiably proud of their accomplishments and the noteworthy achievements of their predecessors. Armed with a rich heritage and high standards established by those from their hallowed past, VFA-22 strives to be the most lethal strike fighter squadron in the Navy and remains ready to professionally execute any tasking when called upon in support of national security objectives...YCBAR!

WELCOME ABOARD

Welcome to the Fighting Redcocks of Strike Fighter Squadron TWO TWO, a Strike-fighter squadron with a long and proud Naval Aviation heritage spanning over 60 years. The command is based ashore at Naval Air Station Lemoore, California where we maintain and operate 12 FA-18F Super Hornets as a striking arm of Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN. Congratulations on your orders; the squadron is committed to offering you the opportunity for outstanding personal and professional growth. We look forward to your arrival and to welcoming you into the Fighting Redcock team.

LOCATION

The command is based in the center of California's San Joaquin Valley. One of the nation's richest agricultural areas, the farmland of the valley produces a major portion of the world's food supply. In this small town atmosphere you will find a community deeply supportive of the military members and their families. Growing to meet the needs of the Navy, NAS Lemoore has gone through many changes in recent years, including a new Hospital, Gym, Commissary and Navy Exchange as well as considerable new housing construction. Additionally, NAS Lemoore is centrally located close to many points of interest such as Los Angeles, San Francisco, Monterey, the Sequoia and Yosemite National Parks and the Pacific Ocean.

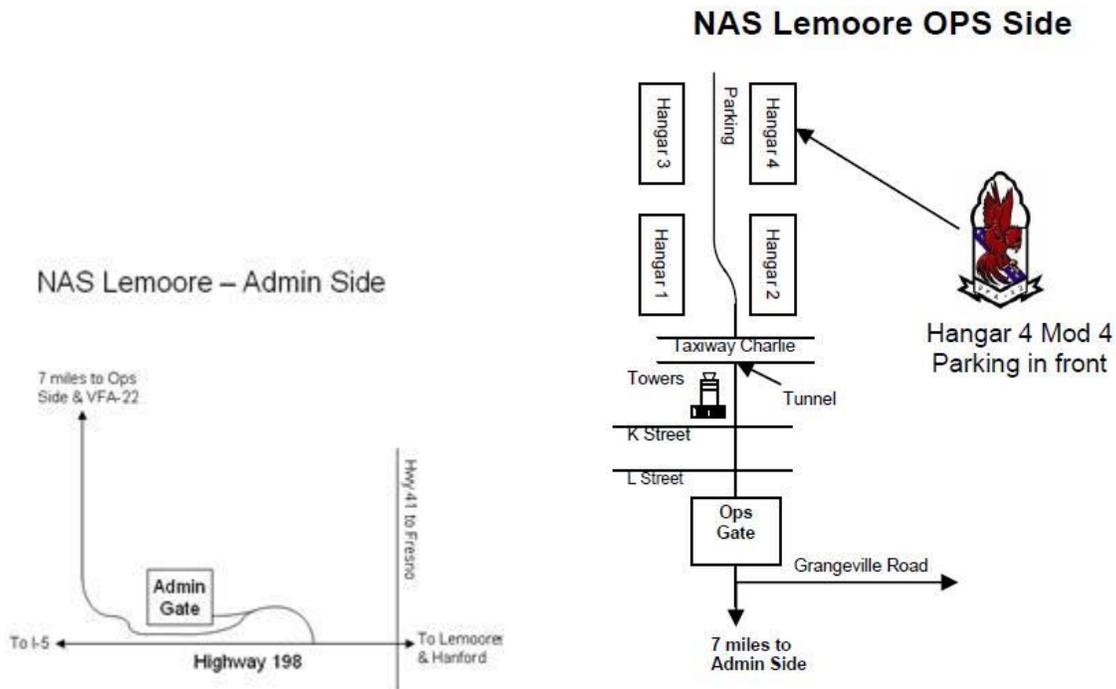
UPON ARRIVAL

If you are arriving via air transportation, the Fresno Air Terminal is located 40 miles north of NAS Lemoore. Additionally, commercial transportation is available 24 hours a day. As a general guide, a taxi from the air terminal to NASL costs between 50 and 90 dollars. Be sure to obtain a receipt in order to file a claim for reimbursement.

REPORTING

Ashore: To check in to VFA-22, you must first obtain a red Flight Line Badge. This will allow you to get past the Operations Gate and make your way to the command. Present your ID, your orders and a DBIDS card request signed by your sponsor to Pass and ID Office in Building 716 and a badge will be created for you. Operating hours are 0600-16300, Mon - Fri. Please report to the VFA-22 Duty Office located on the NAS Lemoore Operations side of the base in Hangar 4, Module 4. Check-in uniform is the appropriate Service Dress Uniform.

Afloat: When reporting to NAS Lemoore during normal working hours (0800-1700), you will report to the Transient Personnel Detachment located to NAS Lemoore Admin side to coordinate your travel to the ship. Ensure you contact them prior to arrival at (559) 998-2015. If you arrive after working hours, proceed to Building 700 Quarterdeck and they will stamp your orders and help arrange billeting for you. While travelling to the ship, ensure you have a full sea bag and enough money to pay for any temporary lodging and meals enroute.





TEMPORARY QUARTERS

Single service members will be assigned quarters in the squadron barracks in Towers “A” and given muster information for the next working day. Married couples may receive up to 10 days Temporary Lodging Allowance and may make reservations in advance at the Navy Lodge by calling (559) 998-5791 or Combined Bachelor Housing by calling (559) 998-4609. There are many other local hotels in the surrounding area.

BASE TRANSPORTATION

The Naval Air Station Lemoore operates a station bus service that makes scheduled morning and afternoon runs between the Administration Area (where the BEQs and BOQs are located) and the Operations Area (where hangars are located). There is no on-base bus service on Saturdays and Federal Holidays or evenings. Times and stop locations are available from Public Works Transportation. The on base bus can be reached at (559) 998-4196.

RELOCATION ASSISTANCE

The Fleet and Family Support Center is an invaluable resource during your move to Lemoore. They will print a copy of Lemoore’s Standard Information Transfer Exchange Service (SITES) package, which contains information concerning the air station and the surrounding community. Additional information pertaining to NAS Lemoore can be found at www.cnmc.navy.mil/lemoore, <http://navylifesw.com/lemoore>, and the VFA-22 website at <http://www.vfa22.navy.mil>. Additionally, the Redcocks are on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/124944800877003>. The homepage for the City of Lemoore is located at www.lemoore.com. Fleet and Family Support can be reached at (559) 998-4042.



RELOCATION



Being in the Navy is an opportunity and a proud tradition of more than 200 years of service. It is also a challenge as single and married Navy and Marine Corps members juggle their military duties, personal and financial obligations, and the demands of

an immediate or extended family.

Navy personnel and their families are envied for the variety of their experiences and the number of places they travel and live. To make this attractive, mobile life possible, a great amount of planning and preparation is necessary.

Relocation is a way of life in the Navy and it can be stressful. Decisions must be made and the choices can have significant effects on your life. Where will I live? What will my housing costs be? What about my pet? Where will my children go to school?

You need accurate, timely information to make these important decisions. Contact your Relocation Counselor at your present duty station to prepare for your move - and contact your Relocation Counselor at your new duty station to help you and your family make these important decisions.

Relocation assistance can be found at a variety of resources to guide you through your change in environment. Military Homefront at www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil provides specific information on all Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Army installations both in the United States and Overseas and has taken place of "Welcome Aboard Packages".

Additionally, a variety of workshops are offered on a continuous basis including Set Your Sails for a Smooth Move in the Military, 10 Steps to A Federal Resume Workshop, Dynamic Resume Workshop, Newcomer's Job Search Workshop, and Effective Interviewing to help during your relocation. For questions and comments contact the Work/Life Specialist (Relocation) call (559) 998-4042.





MILITARY MOVES

Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders mean you'll be moving to Naval Air Station Lemoore soon.

Relocation is a part of military life. But planning ahead can mean a smoother move for you and your family. Why is relocation so important? Relocation helps keep the United States military at the peak of its ability. Personnel are consistently being moved to where they can be the most effective. The military also tries and rotate personnel so that no one remains at one assignment for too long. As you are trained, your new skills may mean new opportunities-and a new assignment.

Moving can be a positive experience. Moving to a NAS Lemoore brings many exciting possibilities-but it can also be very stressful. You can minimize any problems if you start planning as soon as you are notified you have received orders. Preparation and a positive attitude are the keys to a smooth transition.

The Fleet & Family Support Center's Work/Life Specialist (Relocation) has many programs that can provide information about the Central Valley, Housing, Education, Employment, Travel Reimbursement and much much more...But be prepared to do a lot of work and make a lot of decisions. The military may not cover all your costs. Remember, you are responsible for the care and welfare of your family before, during and after the move.

Contact the Fleet & Family Support Center at (559) 998-4042 for further assistance and help.

MOVING PREPARATION

You just received your orders to NAS Lemoore - here's some important tips in preparing for a PCS move. You can also plan your move online at www.move.mil. The website provides resources to assist and help you in making your move a "Smooth Move."

Summer time is usually when many military families transfer from one base to another. Yet some will spend too much time enjoying the fresh air and not enough on basic planning that will help avoid the potential financial pitfalls of a PCS.

For a PCS (Permanent Change of Station) move, you have three choices of how to transport your household goods: commercial movers hired by the military, a PPM (Personally Procured Move – Formerly DITY) move, or a partial PPM move (a combination). The military will pay for your move based on the estimated weight of your household items, not to exceed the weight allowance determined by your pay grade.

Talk to a counselor at the personal property office or transportation office (the name varies according to the branch of service) to help determine whether a commercial or PPM move, or some combination, is best for you. When considering expenses such as a one-way rental truck and storage until your new housing is ready, a PPM move may not prove as profitable as you expect.

Use this master relocation checklist as you prepare your move:

12 weeks to go: Upon receiving orders, contact your personal property office and schedule a counseling session to submit paperwork. Begin a file to track moving and house-hunting expenses. Whatever is not covered by allowances is tax deductible. Identify your "sponsor" at your new command so you know whom to ask questions. Begin researching housing and kids' schools in your new city. Search for child care. If you own your home and wish to sell, contact a realtor to put it on the market.

11 weeks to go: Compile an inventory of household possessions and valuables, including photos and serial numbers. Meet with the counselor to submit paperwork and provide an estimated weight of household goods. If you exceed the weight allowance, get an estimate from your movers and start saving now to pay for the extra amount.

10 weeks to go: Receive moving dates from the personal property office. Call movers to schedule a pre-move meeting. If you have decided on a PPM move, reserve a rental truck. Meet with a counselor to obtain an estimate of how much dislocation and travel allowances you will receive. Begin to plot a budget and a timeline for travel.

9 weeks to go: Spouses, update your resume! Start your job search now. Review family records (legal, medical, insurance, birth certificates) and set them aside in a group. Get checkups, if needed, and obtain copies of medical records. Notify homeowners', renters' and

auto insurance of your address change and make sure you are covered in transit. Check to see if your bank is located in your new hometown or sign up for a national bank.

8 weeks to go: Clean out your closets and garage. Hold a yard sale or donate items for the tax deduction. If you plan to live off base, go house hunting now and try to sign a rental contract. If you will live on base, contact the housing office and ask to sign up for the waiting list.

7 weeks to go: Check school schedules and transfer the children's records. Have fun planning your travel; turn it into a vacation!

6 weeks to go: Take pets to the vet and obtain health certifications and medical records. Give one month's notice to your employer and get a letter of referral. Use the remaining two weeks to plan your move.

5 weeks to go: This is the drop-dead date for obtaining housing in your new hometown. Notify your current landlord as required by your lease. Discuss a time to review your home and get a refund of your security deposit.

4 weeks to go: Obtain a change of address kit from the post office. Send change of address cards to family, friends, magazine subscriptions, etc.

3 weeks to go: Contact utility companies to cut off service and obtain letters of referral. Notify them of your forwarding address to pay final bills and get refunds of any security deposits. Get a list of utilities in new hometown from your landlord or real estate agent and contact them to set up service.

2 weeks to go: Make reservations for overnight stays during your last night in town and, if appropriate, for your travel. If you plan to drive, have your car serviced. If shipping your car, have it picked up.

1 week to go: Notify credit card companies of your address change. You will need to use the new address when verifying any purchases.

Don't freak out! The military is required to pay for moving your family and household goods - and that's a pretty good deal! But proper preparation will make the experience far less stressful.

For more information, contact the NAS Lemoore, Fleet & Family Support Center, Work/Life Specialist (Relocation) at (559) 998-4042.

HOUSING AND LODGING

Prior to any PCS, every military family considers housing for Naval Air Station, Lemoore. The Housing Office and Relocation Assistance Program Specialist can provide information and guidance regarding on-base housing options as well as the local real estate market.

Once you arrive with your family members, you will receive up to 10 days Temporary Lodging Expenses (TLE). Ensure you make arrangements with the Navy Lodge by calling (559) 998-5791 or Combine Bachelor Housing by calling (559) 998-4609 prior to your arrival.

Temporary Housing, Bachelors Quarters, Rental Partnership Programs, Local Rental Properties, On-Base versus Off-Base Living, Local requirements such as military clauses, security clauses, and utilities.

GOVERNMENT HOUSING

There are currently 1,388 family housing units consisting of 110 khaki and 1,278 enlisted. Housing is open to all active duty military personnel.

Availability—Housing is available to all pay grades. The waiting list varies less than one month to more than six months, depending on the size of the family and the service member's pay grade. The Navy Housing Office determines eligibility and manages the waiting list. Application and Eligibility—Housing is allocated based upon eligibility and date of application. The Housing Early Application Tool (HEAT) provides the opportunity for all active duty military personnel or their spouses to apply for housing at one or multiple locations before or after receiving permanent change of station (PCS) orders. While this tool will allow Sailors to receive housing information much earlier in the PCS process, it will not affect their placement on the waitlist. Housing customers will be able to submit applications online, at any time, to multiple installations, in order to receive information about available housing and to begin the qualification process for Navy housing. Instructions on the use of and access to the HEAT application is found at <https://www.dko.mil/heat/apply>.

For additional information, visit our Lemoore Housing Office at <http://lemoorenavalhousing.com/> or <http://www.cnic.navy.mil/Lemoore/FleetAndFamilyReadiness/HousingAndLodging/index.htm>. Information on floor plans can be found at the Lincoln Housing website at <http://www.lincolnmilitary.com/lmh/installations/lemoore/index.cfm>.

NON-GOVERNMENT HOUSING

Housing Referral Office-(HRO) --The HRO is your contact for any problems you may encounter such as discrimination complaints, tenant/landlord disputes, or any questions or problems about off-base housing is the HRO. The HRO will provide you a list of rentals with corresponding locator maps and give you information regarding the communities in which the rentals are located. All renters should carry renters insurance against fire, theft and other damages. The property owner's insurance will cover the property but not the renters personal property. Transfer coverage after you arrive. Ask about the availability of a Rental Partnership Program if you are planning to rent. Service members who plan to live off the installation should still check in with the housing office for advice and assistance in house hunting.

TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITY

The Combined Bachelor Housing (CBH) Division provides permanent party and transient unaccompanied housing.

Availability. There are 20 permanent party barracks for all ranks with 1300 rooms and 2200 beds. Permanent party rooms are fully furnished to include a microwave and refrigerator. Our transient quarters consist of 4 buildings with 197 beds. These rooms have all the required amenities.

Rates. Transient room daily charges are \$20 for a shared room, \$30 for a private room, \$40 for a suite, and \$54 for a DV suite.

Check In/Check Out. Check-in and check-out for all permanent party and transient customers is at Desk Services, which is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

MOVING THE PETS

Whether moving to the next state or halfway around the world, pets are an important concern. The decision to relocate your pet should be based on:

- Type of pet
- Age and Health
- Climate and living conditions at NAS Lemoore
- Quarantine regulations
- Installation and housing requirements

TRANSPORTATION

Pets are usually transported by air or in your personal motor vehicle.

If traveling by air, consider the following:

- Air Mobility Command will transport a dog or cat. This is not an entitlement and service members will be required to pay the cost of transportation.
- Most commercial airlines do not transport pets during summer months.
- FAA-approved kennels are usually required to travel.
- Airlines reserve the right to refuse travel of any animal for any reason. Contact your airline for additional information.

If traveling by car, considering the following:

- Take your pet on a few trial trips to see how they do.
- Ask your vet about pet carriers and the possibility of a mild sedative to relax your pet during the move.
- Ensure that your pet has the basic essentials such as water, treats, dishes, favorite toys, leash, bedding, a scooper, and plastic bags.
- Take several stretch breaks and relief breaks along the way. Provide fresh water and reward your pet with treats for being such a good traveler.
- Do not leave your pet unattended in the vehicle, especially in hot weather.
- Book pet-friendly lodging if you will require overnight accommodations.

SHOULD YOU DECIDE TO RELOCATE YOUR PET, BE SURE TO:

- Have pet checked by a veterinarian.
- Get all necessary health records and certificates.
- Ensure that all vaccinations and shots are up to date.
- Obtain, health and rabies certificates, a list of all inoculations, a statement describing your pet and, that the animal is free from infectious diseases. A rabies vaccination certificate must be issued at least 30 days prior to departure, but cannot be more than one year old. A veterinary health certificate must be issued within 10 days of your departure.
- Have sufficient medications for pet on hand for first period of settling in (60 days minimum).
- Obtain and securely attach pet identification tags with pet's name, your name, address, telephone number, cell phone number, destination address and telephone number.

- Create a file with a picture of your pet, pet's name, license number, old and new veterinarians' contact information, health condition, necessary medication, and complete description.

Pet Policies

Requirements for pet registration on base - All cats and dogs residing on NAS Lemoore are required to be registered through the Veterinary Treatment Facility. This helps ensure that lost pets will be returned to owners, and that pets receive a standard minimum of preventive medical care. The current requirement includes: Proof of current rabies vaccine - this is the rabies certificate (not the tag worn on the collar) identifying the animal, the date of vaccination, expiration date, vaccine serial number, etc. Rabies vaccine can only be given by a licensed veterinarian. In California, puppies must be at least 4 months old, and kittens 3 months old, to receive this vaccine. The first vaccination is valid for one year. Laws vary for other states, so be sure to check in with your veterinarian when you PCS. Current booster vaccines this includes the yearly distemper/parvovirus combination shots for dogs, and a yearly distemper combination shot for cats. Puppies and kittens should have received a series of vaccines as youngsters. Call the Naval Air Station, Lemoore - Vet Clinic at (559) 998-2753 if you are uncertain about your pet's vaccine history.

Veterinary Service

Vet Clinic located on 780 Franklin Avenue - Telephone (559) 998-2753. Services include immunizations, examinations and minor sick call. Cosmetic and elective surgery is not available at this time. Over the counter sales of flea and tick control products, shampoos, sprays, nutritional supplements and vitamins are also available.

MICROCHIP IDENTIFICATION

This is a tiny device, about the length of two grains of rice that is injected under the skin, over the shoulders. No incisions or anesthetic are necessary, and the procedure takes a few seconds. It is a permanent identification method used world-wide by both civilian and military, to assist in returning lost pets to their families. An electronic scanner is waved over the pet's shoulder and if a chip is present, that animal's unique number appears. This number can be reported to the Vet Clinic, which keeps track of all pets registered on base. Either way, the pet's owner can be located as long as information is kept current. A medical record is kept at the Veterinary Treatment Facility. Owners are welcome to utilize any veterinarian to provide their pets' care, as long as a record of the current vaccines is kept at the VTF while the animal resides on base. All animals on base must be spayed or neutered.

KINGS COUNTY LICENSE

Dogs are required to have a county license, which can be obtained by taking your dog's current rabies vaccine certificate to the County Clerk's office next to the library in Lemoore. For additional information, call (559) 998-2753.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Registration & Licensing Requirements

California State law requires you to have sufficient liability insurance and a valid driver's license in order to operate a vehicle. The term "vehicle" generally includes automobiles, motorcycles, vans, trailers and boats regularly parked or garaged overnight. Further, your vehicle must be properly registered. Even though you are in the Military, you may be required to register your vehicle in-state and obtain an in-state license within a few months of moving. Access complete information on insurance, driver's licensing, and where and how to register your vehicle by visiting the California State Department of Motor Vehicles at www.dmv.ca.gov.

State Laws

You and your passengers must always wear seatbelts while driving, you will be ticketed and issued heavy fines if seatbelts are not secured. State law requires that all children under 6 years of age be properly restrained in child seats. Some states also require younger, smaller children to sit in the back seat.

Motorcycles and their operators are subject to special laws. If you own and operate a motorcycle, you must comply with those laws. Visit the State Department of Motor Vehicles website for more information.

Many States and local jurisdictions have strict laws about the use of cell phones and other digital devices while driving. **NAS LEMOORE DOES NOT ALLOW USE OF CELL PHONES while driving on-base.** Research these laws on the State Department of Motor Vehicles website. Tickets will be issued and fines assessed for violating these laws. Play it safe and always use a "hands free" device if you must use a cell phone or other PDA while driving. Hands-free devices must be used while operating a motor vehicle on ALL military installations worldwide.

Driver's License

All drivers in the state must have either a current California license or a current license from their home of record.

Dependents, over age 16 but under age 18, must either (1) apply for and obtain a California drivers license within 10 days of entry to California, or (2) maintain their valid out of state license until the expiration date provided they apply for a California "Nonresident Minor's Certificate and submit proof of financial responsibility (Form SR22/Proof of Insurance).

Registering Vehicles in California

Nonresident military personnel may either register their automobile in California or operate their automobile with a current registration from their home of record. Vehicle registration from the last duty station is valid for one year, or the expiration date, whichever comes first. The vehicle registration may be renewed in the home state or California before the end of the registration period. California provides a reduced rate of fees for military personnel, but the vehicle must be registered to the military member.

The following items are needed to register the vehicle:

- Completed Application for Registration (DMV for REG343) and out-of-state title
- Last issued out-of-state registration card (required if no title submitted)
- Verification of Vehicle by DMV or law enforcement (DMV for REG31)
- Smog certification (motor vehicles only)
- Weight certificate for commercial vehicles and trailers only.
- Appropriate DMV fees (includes registration, transfer fees and use tax if due.
- Odometer Mileage Disclosure statement completed.
- Registering Vehicles on Base

You are required to register all motorized vehicles, including mopeds and motorcycles, that will be driven on station. Proof of ownership or current vehicle registration, insurance and a valid driver's license are required for each vehicle at the time of registration. If you have a car registered out of state it will need to pass a smog certification. Autos five years old and older also require a smog check. Minimum insurance requirements are \$15/30,000 public liability and \$5,000 property damage, although we recommend you carry more for your own protection. If you do not own the vehicle and are not a member of the owner's family, you must present notarized permission from the owner to drive the vehicle. Vehicles must pass annual safety inspections and motorcyclists must wear over the ankle foot wear, long sleeve during day, reflective at night and helmets and must pass basic Rider Course prior to operating any motorcycle.

Registering Vehicles on Base

Vehicle registration is available in the Pass and Decal Office located just outside the main gate. A valid vehicle registration, driver's license, military ID card and proof of insurance are required to register vehicles. **VEHICLES MUST BE PRESENT AT THE PASS AND DECAL OFFICE TO RECEIVE DECALS.** Personnel operating a POV that is not registered in their name, must obtain a notarized letter of permission from the owner stating they have authorization to operate the vehicle before a temporary pass will be assigned from the Pass and Decal office. Pass and Decal hours are as follows: Monday - Friday 6 a.m. to 4:30 pm, Saturday 8 a.m. to noon, Sunday and all federal holidays are Closed. For additional information, call (559) 998-3386.



Child Care Program

YOUTH CENTER

The Youth Services Center is CSP's newest facility. This state of the art building was opened in January 2005 and was designed from the ground up to support one of the largest youth programs in the Navy. The facility was designed to support youth from 5 to 18 years of age and features an indoor gym, a computer/homework center with 14 Internet capable computers, a larger teen center space, snack bar and six class/activity rooms.

Currently, the School Age Care (SAC) program supports approximately 180 children during the school year and is accredited by the National After School Association. The daily average teen attendance is at 105, while over 1000 children participate in the Youth Sports Program. To meet growing community demand for youth programs, the old Youth Center Bldg. 970 was reopened in Oct 07 to serve as our primary Teen Center for high school age youth.

During the summer months the Youth Center provides a weekly summer camp program. Parents may choose which weeks to sign their children up with out obligating for the entire summer. Each week includes an off base field trip to local site and attractions such as the Fresno Zoo or the big water park in Clovis, and includes many on base activities such a swimming, bowling, and the theater. All such activities are included in the weekly fee. For more information on the Youth Center and their programs call (559) 998-4343.

Child Development Center

The Child Development Center (CDC) offers full time care for children ages 6 weeks to 5 years of age. This center also provides a part-day program and a pre-school program during the school year. CDC staff is highly trained in early childhood programs, activities, motor development skills, language development and creativity. All programs are developmental in nature to meet the social, physical, emotional and cognitive needs of the children. The CDC also holds accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

The CDC has a capacity of approximately 270 and follows the USDA Child Care Food Program. Children are provided breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack daily. In addition a wide variety of holiday and special events are programmed for the children throughout the year.

The demand for child care continues to grow, which unfortunately has resulted in waiting lists. It is recommended that all personnel requiring childcare services register their children as soon as they receive orders to NAS Lemoore or as soon as the need has been identified (newborns). For more information on what CDC provides, registration procedures, or waiting list information call (559) 998-4918.

Child Development Homes Program

The Child Development Homes (CDH) Program is comprised of approximately 85 homes that offer home based child care for full-time, part time, shift work and drop in care needs. CDH providers are qualified professionals operating as independent businesses within the NAS Lemoore housing community and supervised by the CDH Program through meetings, home inspections, and printed operational guidelines. The CDH Program recruit, trains, certifies and closely monitors Home Care Providers to ensure outstanding quality in childcare services.

The CDH office is located in the Child Development Center. For information on becoming a CDH Provider call (559) 998-4570.



School and Education

The Kings County school population is comprised of 33,701 students. There are over 2,000 elementary and 535 high school students within the educational system that are connected with the military. Worthy of note is that the dropout rate is 9.8% which is low in comparison to the state's average.

State law requires a child to be five years of age on or before December 2nd to start kindergarten and six years of age to start first grade at the beginning of the school year. (After December 2nd, children who become five may enroll in school at that time at the discretion of the school principal.) **HOWEVER, THE DISTRICT RETAINS THE RIGHT TO DETERMINE THE CHILD'S PLACEMENT FOR THE YEAR FOLLOWING ADMISSION TO KINDERGARTEN.** If the child has not attended school before, it is **MANDATORY** that the parent brings the child's birth certificate. For admission to other grades, the child should have a transfer and/or a report card from the previous school.

State law makes it **MANDATORY** for parents to present sufficient evidence that the child has been protected against polio, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, red measles (rubella) and tuberculosis (PPD Mantoux). Children will not be allowed to start school until necessary immunizations have been obtained and actual dates have been provided to the school. Since the 1997-1998 school year, two new immunization requirements have taken effect: a Hepatitis B series and a second dose of Measles, Mumps and Rubella.

Public schools normally start the third week in August and run through the first week in June with the standard holidays being observed.

Some elementary schools in the Hanford area are on the year-round track schedule.

Private schools in the area generally follow the same start/vacation schedule as the public school system. There are no DOD schools at NAS Lemoore. However, there are two schools located onboard the Naval Air Station serving children from kindergarten through the eighth grade. Depending on where you live on base determines which school your child will attend.

High School age children residing onboard the Air Station are bused into Lemoore (7 miles east) and attend Lemoore High School. Lemoore High school is considered by many to be one of the top schools in the valley. It is a comprehensive high school whose curriculum offers an extensive variety of advanced placement, honors, and college prep courses as well as a broad choice of vocational education courses.

Many good private schools are available in the Hanford/Lemoore area. No state funds are expended on their operation. Most private schools have a religious affiliation or relationship. With the schools constantly changing their tuition and material fees, and sometimes changing their characteristics, it is our goal to provide only basic information about the private schools in the area. Tuition ranges from \$1250.00 to \$4,000/year depending upon the school, grade attending, whether books or fees are included in the comprehensive fee. Additional fees such as music, art, uniforms, books, registration, deposits and transportation should be taken into consideration.

There are many elementary schools throughout Kings County that offer a wide range of programs. Most have a GATE program, a Resource Specialist and sports programs for students. In addition to the public school system there are several private schools in the Hanford/Lemoore area. Go to the Kings County Office of Education at www.kings.k12.ca.us to find out about the schools in the District.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Lemoore Adult School provides members of the community with opportunities to acquire values, skills and knowledge necessary to improve basic performance, employability, citizenship and quality of life.

The Lemoore High School Diploma completion plan was established at NAS Lemoore in 1987, to offer active duty personnel and members of their families an opportunity to earn a high school diploma. In addition to the high school diploma, Lemoore Adult School offers an adult diploma and the GED test is offered monthly, September through May, at no charge. Adult Basic Education (ABE) classes and classes in citizenship and English as a second language (ESL) are offered at the Lemoore Campus.

COLLEGE

NAS Lemoore has one of the finest and most comprehensive voluntary education programs in the Navy. The Navy College Program encompasses the Navy College Office and academic centers from Lemoore Adult School, West Hills Community College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Chapman University and Columbia College, as well as the computer based Navy College Learning Center.

The Navy College Office (NCO) has overall responsibility for voluntary education and provides a broad range of programs and services. Basic services include Tuition Assistance (TA), academic information, advising, counseling and testing. Additionally, the NCO processes Graduate Education (GEVs), Sailor/Marine ACE Registry Transcripts (SMART) and external degree packages. NCO staff also provides assistance with the United Services Military Apprenticeship Program (US-MAP) and Service member's Opportunity College Navy or SOCNAV.

KINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS

KINGS COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

1144 W. Lacey Blvd. Hanford, CA 93230

(559) 584-1441, FAX (559) 589-7000 County Superintendent of Schools

SHELLY BAIRD SCHOOL

959 Katie Hammond Lane Hanford, California 93230

(559) 584-5546, FAX 589-7004

ARMONA UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

PO Box 368 Armona, California 93202

(559) 583-5000

Armona School, (583-5013)

Parkview School, (583-5020)

Crossroads Charter Academy

(559) 585-7295, FAX# 585-7298
1766 N. 10th Ave. P.O. Box 2057
Hanford, CA 93232

CENTRAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
PO Box 1339 NAS Lemoore, California 93245
(559) 924-3405, FAX# 924-1153

Akers School (998-5707)
Central School (924-7797)
Neutra School (998-6823)
Stratford School (947-3391)
PO Box 148
Stratford, California 93266

CORCORAN UNIFIED SD
1520 Patterson Avenue Corcoran, California 93212
(559) 992-8888, FAX# 992-3957

Bret Harte (992-2188)
John Fremont (992-5102)
John Muir (992-4167)
Mark Twain (992-4178)
Corcoran High (992-5061)
Kings Lake Education Center* (992-3951)

HANFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
PO Box 1067 Hanford, California 93232
(559) 585-3600, FAX# 584-7833
Hamilton School (585-3820)
J.M. Simas School (585-3790)

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PO Box 1067 Hanford, California 93232
(559) 585-3600, FAX# 584-7833
Hamilton School (585-3820)
J.M. Simas School (585-3790)
John F Kennedy School (585-3850)
Lee Richmond School (585-3760)
Lincoln School (585-3730)
Martin Luther King School (585-3715)
Monroe School (585-3745)
Roosevelt School (585-3775)
George Washington (585-3805)
Woodrow Wilson (585-3870)

HANFORD HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
823 W. Lacey Boulevard Hanford, California 93230
(559) 583-5901, FAX# 589-9769
Hanford High School (583-5902)

Hanford West High School (583-5903)
E.F. Johnson High School* (583-5904)
Hanford Adult School (583-5905)
Hanford Night Cont. School (583-5904 x 7002)

ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

7799 21st Avenue Lemoore, California 93245
(559) 924-6424, FAX# 924-0247

KINGS RIVER-HARDWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT

10300 Excelsior Avenue Hanford, California 93230
(559) 584-4475, FAX# 585-1422

KIT CARSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

9895 Seventh Avenue Hanford, California 93230
(559) 582-2843, FAX# 582-7565

LAKESIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT

9100 Jersey Avenue Hanford, California 93230
(559) 582-2868, FAX# 582-7638
Lakeside School (582-2868)
Gardenside School (584-3792)

LEMOORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

1200 W. Cinnamon Lemoore, California 93245
(559) 924-6800, FAX#924-6809
Cinnamon (924-6870)
Lemoore Elementary School (924-6820)
Liberty Middle School (924-6860)
Meadow Lane (924-6840)
P.W. Engvall (924-6850)
University Charter School (924-6890)

LEMOORE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

5 Powell Avenue Lemoore, California 93245

(559) 924-6610, FAX# 924-9212

Lemoore High (924-6600)

Alternative Education* (924-6620)

PIONEER SCHOOL DISTRICT

8810 14th Avenue Hanford, California 93230

(559) 584-8831, FAX# 584-1422

Pioneer Primary (584-8831)

Pioneer Middle School (584-0112)





RECREATION AND FITNESS

LIBERTY CENTER

The newly renovated Liberty Center provides various leisure time activities and programs for the single and unaccompanied sailors and marines stationed on board NAS Lemoore. The center boasts a computer center with 23 computer stations, all with free Internet access, the latest in electronic gaming, free Wi-Fi access throughout, a big screen TV lounge area and access to more than 1000 movies, billiards, darts, outdoor BBQ and patio, and a limited snack bar. The Liberty program also organizes many trips in their 15 passenger van to areas such as local shopping & sight seeing trips, free concerts, and skiing trips and much more. Liberty Center staff is very responsive to the Sailors and will organize just about any trip requested if there is sufficient interest. Liberty is a recreation program at NASL authorized for single/unaccompanied enlisted military personnel only. Call 559-998-4356 for complete information on the LIBERTY programs and events.

GYM AND FITNESS CENTER

Opened in 2002, the main side Gym and Fitness Center is 66,000 Sq. Ft. of contemporary designed spaces serving approximately 1,000 patrons daily. The facility is fully equipped with a full range of cardio equipment and free weights. The facility also boasts two indoor basketball courts, four racquetball courts, training rooms, health snack bar, and full service locker rooms with saunas. The staff provides a very comprehensive fitness program and coordinates a wide range of sporting activities to include intramural, varsity and open league competitions for both team and individual sports. Located close to the gym are four outdoor tennis courts, four basketball courts, a volleyball court, a 2.5 mile fitness trail, and an all weather oval running track. The Ops side gym provides free weights and a comprehensive selection of cardio equipment. Daily locker rooms are available. Located just outside is a full size outdoor basketball court, sand volleyball, and picnic area. This facility is operated Monday through Friday 5am-6:30pm.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CENTER

The OAC offers an outstanding outdoor recreation program. The center rents a variety of equipment from camping trailers and boats, to tents and sleeping bags. In addition to the rental program, the center offers a variety of outdoor adventure programs including seasonal white water rafting, kayaking, skydiving, scuba, and a small resale area.

VILLAGE RECREATION CENTER

The Village Recreation Center is a fun place to just hang out. This recreation facility has a Cyber Center with 11 computers with Internet access and also has Wi-Fi. You are able to print out documents for a small fee. The Village Recreation Center has a wide variety of entertainment: arcade games, table tennis, billiards, and table soccer. It is located right next to Nap's Restaurant, Bar & Coffee Shop.