

Eielson Air Force Base

Description

Eielson Air Force Base (AFB) occupies 63,195 acres and is located 26 miles southeast of Fairbanks, in the interior of Alaska, about 110 miles south of the Arctic Circle. Eielson AFB is a cantonment/ urban use area and is constrained to the south and the west by land currently used for private/ industrial/municipal purposes.

Eielson AFB and Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson are the home of RED FLAG-Alaska (RF-A). RF-A executes the world's premier tactical joint and coalition air combat employment exercise, designed to replicate the stresses that warfighters must face during their first eight to ten combat sorties. RF-A has the assets, range, and support structure to train to joint and combined war fighting doctrine against realistic and robust enemy integrated threat systems, under safe and controlled conditions. Each exercise is a joint/coalition, tactical air combat employment exercise which corresponds to the operational capability of participating units.

Detachment 1, 66th Training Squadron at Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska, delivers Arctic Survival Training. This five-day course, conducted from October through March is designed for aircrew personnel assigned to flying duties in the northern regions. Instruction concentrates on survival, evasion, resistance and escape principles, such as food and water procurement, thermal shelter construction, firecraft and various signaling techniques.

Numerous military operation areas are located in the vicinity of Eielson AFB. To learn more about Eielson AFB, visit: <u>http://www.eielson.af.mil/</u>.



A Survival Evasion Resistance Escape specialist aids Arctic Survival School students with the contrast elements of a rescue and recovery signal at Eielson Air Force Base. (U.S. Air Force photo/Willard Grande II)

Capabilities at this venue

- Air-to-air/Air-to-ground Combat Training
- Cold weather training
- Emergency Management
- Flight Simulation
- Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape (SERE)



Emergency responders listen to a mission briefing before entering a building where a simulated suspicious powder was found during an operational readiness exercise at Eielson Air Force Base. (U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Laura Goodgame)

Equipment/Supplies Available

- Air Field Capability
- Air Refueling
- F-16 Flight Simulator
- Joint Mobility Ordnance
- Live Ordnance Drops
- Secure Video Teleconference System