

DBIDS INFORMATION

The Department of Defense has established the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS). Guards at base entry gates will utilize electronic scanners to analyze encoded data contained in military identification cards in order to authenticate the identity of the cardholder. This system is presently in the initial phase at MacDill and it seems to be working very efficiently and traffic flow is not hindered.

Our research has focused on the requirements for retirees. Active duty personnel are being well informed of this system, so any mention of it in this article would be redundant. This is a breakdown of the information we have at this time. There are some details that have not been clarified at this time, however as more information becomes available, we will ensure it is passed on.

The purpose for this program is to validate information for base entry only. It does not affect current privileges such as health care benefits.

Everyone should have his or her ID cards registered in DBIDS. This can be done at the Visitors Center from 0600 to 1800 seven days a week, and at the ID Card Issue Facility, Building 373 from 0730 to 1500 Monday through Friday, and at Tanker Way Gate from 0530-1700 Monday through Friday and 0530-1300 on Saturday. There are plans to open sites at the BX, Commissary, Pharmicare and other base locations. There are planned upgrades to the system that will make it possible to use wireless portable scanners and provisions could be made to use this technology throughout the base. When this system is intact, arrangements could be made to have this available at the Bayshore Club during our monthly luncheons, however there is no target date for the update at this time.

We understand this program will be fully operational after the first of the year. Once it is operational, people who have ID cards that have not been registered in DBIDS will be denied base entry and will have to go to the Visitors Center in order to get a temporary entry pass. We strongly recommend that you register at the above locations as soon as possible in order to avoid prolonged lines as the deadline approaches.

For further information, you can go to www.google.com on your computer and type DBIDS. You will find numerous sites that describe this program.

DBIDS REG SCHEDULE

Permanent Registration Locations

- VRF, 7 Days a Week 0600-1800
- MPS, Mon-Fri 0730-1500
- Tanker Way Gate, Mon-Fri 0530-1700 and Sat 0530-1000

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Mobile Registration Locations

- Commissary, Thursday 0900-1200/1300-1600
- Base Exchange, Thursday 0900-1200/1300-1600
- Pharmacare, Wednesday 0900-1200/1300-1600
- Base Clinic, Wednesday 0900-1200
- Marina/Fam Camp, Wednesday 1300-1600

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VRF 0600 – 1800						
Tanker Way Mon – Fri 0530 – 1700 and Sat 0530 – 1000						
MPS 0730 – 1500						
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