**R-2508 Complex FAQs (2021)**

* **What is the R-2508 Complex?**

*Visit the R-2508 Complex Website at* [***https://www.edwards.af.mil/About/R-2508/***](https://www.edwards.af.mil/About/R-2508/)*for a full description.*

* **What do users of R-2508 Airspace need to know?**

*Users need to reference the* [***R-2508 Complex Users Handbook***](https://www.edwards.af.mil/About/R-2508/) *posted on the R-2508 Website and ensure that they have scheduled and received a User Brief annually from an R-2508 Airspace Manager. Also be sure to touch base with assigned host unit personnel to get a local brief whenever possible, including Unit Aviation Officers, Aircraft Module Managers, Aircraft Dispatchers, etc.*

* **How do I request an annual User’s Brief?**

*To schedule a briefing, contact R2508 CCF Airspace Managers at* ***661-277-2508*** *or email them at* [***2508ccf@us.af.mil***](mailto:2508ccf@us.af.mil)*. R2508 CCF can then set up a date and time for any one of the following options:*

* *A Phone / Video Briefing*
* *An in-person briefing at R-2508 CCF*
* *An on-site briefing at a location of your choice (Based on availability)*
* **What is the R-2508 Daily Brief Sheet (DBS)?**

*The DBS is a situational awareness tool that notes known flight activities (both military and cooperator) occurring within R-2508. For personnel outside of the military, the sheet seems to work most effectively as a “receipt” to any notifications that your host Dispatch Center has passed on to CCF regarding planned flight activities. By referencing the DBS, you can see what information is being passed on to other R-2508 users regarding known flight activities within the airspace, including land management agency flight activities, fire responses, etc.*

*It is important to understand that most information noted within the DBS only serves as a “yellow light” to caution other users regarding flight activities within R-2508, and* ***does not serve as an medium to create or enforce any airspace separation*** *unless a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) is posted and in effect.*

* **How can I get added to the DBS email distribution list?**

*To be added to the DBS email distribution list, contact R2508 CCF Airspace Managers at* ***661-277-2508*** *or email them at* [***2508ccf@us.af.mil***](mailto:2508ccf@us.af.mil)*. You can request to be added indefinitely for daily emails or for specified dates based on your project / organization needs.*

* **What is the “Cross Talk” and what is it used for?**

*The Cross Talk is a test phase system that enables Land Management Agencies to use “Air Guard” to transmit and receive in-the-blind position reports over the military’s designated low level (below 1500 ft AGL) frequency within R-2508. Reference the* [***IA IB 19-02***](https://www.fs.usda.gov/sites/default/files/2019-07/ia_ib_19-02_2508_complex_cross_talk.pdf)*, the* [***R-2508 Complex Airspace Use Guide***](https://www.fs.usda.gov/sites/default/files/2019-06/r-2508_complex_airspace_crosstalk_use_guide_508_0.pdf)*, and the* [***R-2508 Complex User’s Handbook***](https://www.edwards.af.mil/About/R-2508/)*,* ***Sections 2.23.8 and 5.2*** *for more information regarding Cross-Talk use.*

* **What is the current status of the “Cross Talk?”**

*The Inyo N.F. has one test system in place atop Mazourka Peak using legacy radio equipment. In 2019 it was confirmed on the Jordan, Cow and Taboose fires that land management aircraft using Air Guard and military aircraft using their low level frequency (315.9) were able to communicate with one another (receive and transmit with confirmation) through the test system in the southern portions of the Owens Valley. New equipment and components were allocated by R5 FAM in 2019 and R5 CIO personnel are working towards final placement of the equipment as soon as this year at Breckenridge Mtn (CA-SQF), Mazourka Peak (CA-INF) and Rodgers Peak (CA-DVP) for further testing.*