

Key Definitions and Acronyms

This guide contains definitions and acronyms frequently used in military planning and should be used as a reference throughout the development of the Compatible Use website and handbook.

Definitions

Accident Potential Zones - areas where an aircraft mishap is most likely to occur if one occurs; commonly subdivided into different zones based on allowable use characteristics.

Compatibility - the balance and/or compromise between community and military needs and interests with the goal of promoting an environment where both entities can coexist successfully.

Encroachment - any non-military action planned or executed which inhibits, reduces, or possesses the potential to hamper the military's ability to carry out its testing and training missions.

Incompatible Civilian Development - land use activity and civilian development activity that adversely affects the utility or training and readiness missions of a military installation. (DODI 3030.3, Joint Land Use Study Program)

Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) - a strategic planning process undertaken by state or local government in partnership with the military installation to preserve and protect military readiness and defense capabilities, seek ways to reduce the operational impacts on adjacent lands, and support community growth and economic development.

Military Influence Area (MIA) - in relation to compatibility planning, a geographic planning or regulatory area where military operations impact local communities and conversely, where local activities may affect the military mission. The MIA is used to maintain operational capability, promote awareness of military activities to surrounding communities, and establish regulatory or other restrictions on certain uses or types of development requirements.

Military Installation - Defined in 10 USC § 2687 as "a base, camp, post, station, yard, center, homeport facility for any ship, or other activity under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense, including any leased facility" located within US territory.

Military Training Route (MTR) - mutually developed by the FAA and DOD for use by the military for the purpose of conducting low-altitude, high-speed training. The type of route depends on the speed and altitude.

Mission Footprint - the geopolitical area in which an installation operates, including facilities, airspace, and training areas within and outside of military jurisdiction (AFH 32-7084). Mission footprints make up the MIA and can impact communities in a number of ways such as noise and safety zones.

Noise Zone - areas around a source of a noise (ex. airfield or firing range) which are delineated according to average levels of noise exposure.

Planning Notification Area - tool for communication surrounding an installation and extending into the community that establishes buffer zones that require coordination in advance of development to prevent incompatible development.

Range - Defined in 10 US Code § 101 in a geographic sense as designated area of land or water that is set aside, managed, and used by the DOD for research, development, testing, and personnel training.

Safety Zones - areas in which development should be more restrictive due to the higher risks to public safety.

Special Use Airspace (SUA) - airspace of defined dimensions where certain kinds of activities are confined because of their nature and/or where non-designated operations may be restricted.

Acronyms

ACUB - Army Compatible Use Buffer (Program)

AFB - Air Force Base

AICUZ - Air Installation Compatible Use Zone

ALC - Adelphi Laboratory Center

APG - Aberdeen Proving Grounds

APZ - Accident Potential Zone

BRAC - Base Realignment and Closure

CEQ - Council on Environmental Quality

CFR - Code of Federal Regulations

COG - Council of Government

COMAR - Code of Maryland Regulations

CSSC - Chesapeake Science and Security
Corridor

CZ- Clear Zone

Db - Decibels

DCIP - Defense Critical Infrastructure Program

DHCD - Department of Housing and Community
Development (state and local)

DHS - Department of Homeland Security

DNR - Department of Natural Resources

DOD - Department of Defense

DOE - Department of Energy

DOH - Department of Health

DOI - Department of the Interior

DoIT - Department of Information Technology

DSS - Dust / Smoke/ Steam

EIS - Environmental Impact Statement

EO - Executive Order

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

FAA - Federal Aviation Administration

FHWA - Federal Highway Administration

FWS - Fish and Wildlife Service

GIS - Geographic Information System

HRZ - Height Restriction Zones

HUD - US Department of Housing and Urban
Development

ICUZ - Installation Compatible Use Zone

JBA - Joint Base Andrews

JLUS - Joint Land Use Study

LOS - Level of Service

LU- Land Use

LZ - Landing Zone

MF - Mission Footprint

MHT - Maryland Historical Trust

MIA - Military Influence Area

MMIC - Maryland Military Installation Council

MOA - Military Operating Area, or
Memorandum of Agreement

MOU - Memorandum of Understanding

MPO - Metropolitan Planning Organization

MTA - Military Training Area

MTR - Military Training Route

NAS - Naval Air Station

NAS PAX - Naval Air Station Patuxent River

NAVFAC - Naval Facilities Engineering Command

NDAA - National Defense Authorization Act

NDS - National Defense Strategy

NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act

NGO - Non-governmental Organization(s)

NRHP - National Register of Historic Places

NSF - Naval Support Facility

OEA - Office of Economic Adjustment (DOD)
OSD - Office of the Secretary of Defense
PFA - Priority Funding Areas
PUD - Planned Unit Development
RAICUZ - Range Air Installations Compatible
Use Zone Program
RCA - Resource Conservation Area
REPI - Readiness and Environmental Initiative
ROI - Region of Influence
SUA - Special Use Airspace
SJLUS RIS - Statewide Joint Land Use Study
Response Implementation Strategy
TDR - Transfer of Development Rights
TOD - Transit Oriented Development
UAV - Unmanned Aerial Vehicle
UGA - Urban Growth Area
USAF - US Air Force
USCG - US Coast Guard
USDA - United States Department of Agriculture
USFS - US Forest Service
USFWS - US Fish and Wildlife Service