



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS 81ST TRAINING WING (AETC)

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL KEESLER AFB DINING FACILITY PATRONS

FROM: 81 TRW/CC

SUBJECT: Dining Facilities (DFAC) Authorized Use

References: a. AFI 34-240, *Food Service Management Program*, 19 April 2019
b. AFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel*, 7 February 2020

1. Authorized Use.

a. All Enlisted personnel, regardless of service. Members will pay standard meal rate (basic rate plus surcharge) unless proper documentation is provided stating member is on a meal card.

b. Commanders or Civilian Leaders at the Squadron Level or above, or their representatives, Chaplains, Sustainment Services Flight Chief, Food Service Officers, Social Action Officers, Military Public Health Representatives, Fire Department Personnel, Security Forces Personnel, the Contract Officer, and the Food Service Contract Administrator are authorized to subsist in all base-dining facilities to determine the quality and quantity of food served when they are in duty status.

c. TDY members (officers, enlisted, and DoD civilians) receiving the meal portion of per diem and when TDY orders authorize use of the DFACs may use all facilities. They will pay the standard meal rate (basic rate plus surcharge).

d. Dependents, relatives, and guests of enlisted personnel are only authorized to subsist in the dining facilities for the lunch meal on Sundays and special holiday meals when accompanied by their sponsor. Exceptions are directed to the Base Food Service Officer at 228-377-2946 or 228-377-3787. Spouses and dependent children of E-1 through E-4 members will pay a discount rate (cost of food). All other dependents will pay standard meal rate (basic rate plus surcharge).

e. Military retirees and family members may eat at Keesler dining facilities at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and the Air Force Birthday. They will pay standard meal rate (basic rate plus surcharge).

f. Other guests, including groups sponsored by base agencies, require specific approval from the Food Services Officer, coordinated through the base Public Affairs Office. Submit requests with the following information: group (or individual) identification, total number of persons, meal period desired, and sponsor information, to 81trw.pamain@us.af.mil for coordination. All requests must be made NLT 7-days in advance.

g. Designated guest(s) of the installation commander.

2. Dress and Conduct. All customers must adhere to the standards of dress and conduct applicable in dining facilities. Customers will adhere to ref (b), as supplemented, when in uniform, or the standards of personal appearance and dress (civilian attire) posted in dining facilities when not in uniform. Cell phone use and headphones are not authorized while in the serving line.

3. POC. Mr. Drew Simmonds at (228) 377-2200 or andrew.simmonds@us.af.mil.

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