

Below are some frequently asked questions about the *Afterburner, News for USAF Retired Personnel*

**Question:** What is the *Afterburner*?

**Answer:** The *Afterburner* is a publication designed to keep members of the Air Force retiree community informed about laws, policies and procedures affecting them. Authorized by Air Force Instruction 36-3106, it is published by the Air Force Personnel Center Retiree Services Section. When funding permits, a hard-copy edition is printed and mailed twice a year to those people without an online myPay account with the Defense Finance and Accounting Service. When funding does not allow for printing and mailing a hard-copy edition, an electronic edition is posted on this website, and sent electronically to email subscribers.

**Q:** How is the *Afterburner* distributed?

**A:** People who have an online myPay account will receive their copy via email using the email address they have on file with the Defense Finance and Accounting Service. Also, people without a myPay account who wish to receive it electronically can send their full name, status (retired or surviving spouse), address, email address, and last four digits of their Social Security number to [afpc.retiree@us.af.mil](mailto:afpc.retiree@us.af.mil).

**Q:** Who can receive the *Afterburner*?

**A:** Eligible recipients include:

- Individuals entitled to Air Force retired pay.
- Unremarried surviving spouses of retirees, automatically if they receive an annuity under the Survivor Benefit Plan, receive an annuity under the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan or receive an annuity under the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan.
- Unremarried non-annuitant surviving spouses of deceased Air Force members who were entitled to receive retired pay may receive hard-copy *Afterburners* via mail by requesting it in writing to: AFPC/DPFFF, 550 C Street W JBSA-Randolph TX 78150-4713. Include the deceased retiree's full name, retired rank and last four digits of their Social Security number.

The *Afterburner* is not sent to former spouses or to retirees of other services. Additional copies are not available.

**Q:** Who can subscribe to the electronic version of the *Afterburner*?

**A:** Anyone with computer and Internet access may read and subscribe.

**Q:** How can I contact the *Afterburner* office?

**A:** You can write to: AFPC/DPFFF, 550 C Street W, JBSA-Randolph TX 78150-4713; send email to [afpc.retiree@randolph.af.mil](mailto:afpc.retiree@randolph.af.mil); or call 210-565-2126.

**Q:** How do I change my mailing address for the *Afterburner*?

**A:** To change your address for official Air Force correspondence, including the *Afterburner*, please use the following procedures:

Retirees -- Those members receiving or entitled to receive retired pay, including retirees whose pay (part or all), comes from Veterans Affairs or from civil service because of combined federal service, mail change of address to:

DFAS  
U. S. Military Retirement Pay  
P.O. Box 7130  
London, KY 40742-7130  
Phone: 800-321-1080  
FAX: 800-469-6559

When phoning, do not mention the *Afterburner*; otherwise, you will be referred to the Air Force Personnel Center Retiree Services Section and that office cannot change addresses. Tell the customer service representative only that you are an Air Force retiree and you wish to change your correspondence address. *Afterburners* are mailed to your address on file with DFAS. When writing or faxing, include your rank and Social Security number.

SBP/RSFPP annuitants -- Those surviving spouses who receive or are entitled to receive a Survivor Benefit Plan/Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan annuity (this includes surviving spouses of retirees who were enrolled in SBP/RSFPP but who are receiving Dependency and Indemnity Compensation in lieu of the SBP/RSFPP) mail changes to:

DFAS  
U.S. Military Annuitant Pay  
P.O. Box 7131  
London, KY 40742-7131  
Phone: 800-321-1080  
FAX: 800-982-8459

When phoning, do not mention the *Afterburner*; otherwise, you will be referred to the Air Force Personnel Center Retiree Services Section and that office cannot change addresses. Tell the customer service representative only that you are an annuitant and wish to change your correspondence address. *Afterburners* are mailed to the address on file with DFAS. When writing or faxing, include your full name, Social Security number.

Non-SBP/RSFPP Annuitants -- Surviving spouses of retirees who were not enrolled in either the Survivor Benefit Plan or Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan (but who may or may not be receiving a Dependency and Indemnity Compensation pension from the VA), mail the new address and include the sponsor's retired grade and Social Security number to:

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550 C Street West  
JBSA-Randolph TX 78150-4713

Remember, this office cannot process address changes.