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DBIDS

Controlling access to DON installations is paramount and remains our first line of defense

The Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS) is the enterprise access control solution for the Department of the Navy (DON). Most of us recognize this system as “the Scanner” used at installation entry points. DBIDS is the electronic physical access control system (ePACS) used by the DON to assist sentries with access control duties on Navy and Marine Corps bases throughout the world.

DBIDS has validated itself repeatedly by deterring and detecting unauthorized personnel attempting to gain access at entry points.

FY23 2nd & 3rd Quarter Statistics:

- ◇ Worldwide Marine Corps DBIDS transactions (scans) ~ 34 million per month
- ◇ Worldwide Navy DBIDS transactions (scans) ~ 118 million per month
- ◇ Identified more than 30,000 terminated credentials
- ◇ Identified more than 400 “be on the look outs”
- ◇ Identified more than 1,000 active warrants

DBIDS assists the sentry by checking a credential for authenticity and identity verification with more certainty than a manual and visual review.

DBIDS provides sentries and commanders access to:

- (1) Debarment Lists from all DoD installations
- (2) FBI National Criminal Information Center (NCIC) Federal Wants & Warrants
- (3) NCIC Known & Suspected Terrorist files
- (4) NCIC Sex Offender Registries
- (5) Custom-built schedules for base access by an individual or group
- (6) History of personnel who have accessed the installation

As a reminder: All persons granted unescorted access to DON installations and facilities must possess an authorized and valid credential. Such credentials will be issued only after:

- (1) Determination of a valid purpose
- (2) Completion of identity proofing and vetting
- (3) Favorable determination of fitness

In accordance with SECNAVINST 5500.35 (DON Physical Security Program), DON Services are directed to use DBIDS to scan **ALL** authorized credentials at **ALL** times. **ALL** foreign national credentials, to include blue-striped CACs and United States IDs, will be scanned at **ALL** times. The **ONLY** permitted exception is during peak traffic periods or special events, during which **ONLY** U.S. citizens with a Common Access Card (CAC) (Active Duty/Reservist/DoD Civilians and Contractors with a green striped CAC) may be verified visually, with electronic scanning performed on a random sampling.

**Security is essential to our national interests,
the protection of defense infrastructure, and the
protection of our personnel and their families.**

* <https://www.mynavyhr.navy.mil/Portals/55/Messages/ALNAV/ALN2023/ALN23049.txt>

DBIDS FACTS

- ◇ Uses scanner that reads one of two bar codes.
- ◇ When scanned, a photo of the individual associated with credential appears on the scanner for the sentry to view.
- ◇ DBIDS handheld devices also have the capability to verify identity with fingerprints (this can be helpful in the case of a person who frequently changes hairstyles or who has grown facial hair).
- ◇ DBIDS is inter-operable across the DoD, regardless of the installation's geographic location or military branch.
- ◇ It uses the Identity Matching Engine for Security and Analysis (IMESA) to interface with other DoD electronic physical access control systems (ePACS) such as the US Army's Automated Installation Entry (AIE).
- ◇ The system will query criminal and military data sources to determine who is authorized aboard the base. If a person is debarred from one installation, that information is replicated throughout the entire DoD.
- ◇ The system provides the ability to create authorization profiles based on threat conditions and local command policies.

To learn more about DBIDS use on your installation or activity contact your provost marshal or your command or installation security manager. More information is available in ALNAV 049/23*.