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**From:** Taylor, Bob (Thune)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 10, 2005 11:36 AM  
**To:** 'Beauchamp, Arthur, CIV, WSO-BRAC'  
**Subject:** RE: Dyess info  
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Art, is this the applicable question and the answers given by Dyess?

DOD's Question #: 1246, Title: "Airspace-Distance to Routes" (within Section 1, Title: "Airspace Operations") text reads: **"If the installation has an active runway, identify and state the distance to all Airspace for Special Use (IR/VR/SR routes) within a 150 NM radius of the installation."**

The answer provided to each of the items in the questions and those items are listed below.

**Route Designator: IR178**  
**Distance to Primary Route Entry Point (NM): 299**  
**Distance to Primary Route Exit Point (NM): 69**

The distance from Dyess AFB to the entry point for IR 178 is closer to 325 NM than the 299 reported.

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**Subject:** RE: Dyess info

Bob, we sent an inquiry to the Clearinghouse to ask the official closest point distance from IR 178 to Dyess. We also requested that Dyess provide the same information. Lastly, we just took a look ourselves at IR 178. It's important to note that there are many entry and exit points along IR 178 and its easy to mistake what the closest one it. When we took a look we found entry points much shorter than 335. That said, we'll wait for clarification.

The Air Force counts only that entry/exist point that is closest to an installation. We've asked the Air Force to confirm their scoring method. The way we understand it entry and exit points were counted only once. Regardless, our concern is that whatever standard applied applied to all installations. Will see what the clearinghouse replies on this inquiry. Tks.

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Art, if the entry point on IR-178 is 335 miles, can it be counted? If double counting is not permitted will you ask for a rescore? Thanks

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Bob, thanks. According to the Air Force the scoring methodology for IR considered the relative distance of entry and exit points to an installation. But, routes should counted only once. The more routes within 300 NW the more points an installation received. Art

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Art, we had some analysis done on the claimed Dyess routes and MOAs. One thing we noted is that the entry point for IR-178 just happens to be listed as 299 miles from Dyess just coming under the wire for scoring. That seeming to be just too much of a coincidence for us, so we had the mileage checked. We calculate it at closer to 335 miles, representing a 10 % error if true. You may want to check that one out. That apparently would affect the MCI score. We also noted some routes being counted twice when used in opposite directions. Is that permitted?