

Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS) Facility. FAC: 1311

CATCODE: 131114

OPR: AFNIC (MARS)

OCR: N/A

1.1. Description. The MARS facility houses a MARS station. The mission, its functions, and operating procedures are prescribed in AFI 33-106, *Managing High Frequency Radios, Personal Wireless Communication Systems, and the Military Affiliate Radio System*.

1.2. Requirements Determination. There are two types of stations:

1.2.1. Military MARS Stations. These stations consist of unmanned base MARS stations. MAJCOMs and bases should support military MARS stations in the same manner as other Air Force communications facilities when activated. The base unit of assignment oversees equipment maintenance.

1.2.2. Auxiliary MARS Stations. Installations are authorized to establish auxiliary MARS stations for special missions such as United States Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, Civil Air Patrol, and base morale, welfare, and recreation.

1.3. Scope Determination. The size of the MARS stations varies with the type of mission, function, operation and equipment used.

1.4. Dimensions. Contact OPR for latest requirements and guidance.

1.5. Design Considerations. Contact OPR for latest design guidance.