**Welcome to the VUQ-10 Pathfinders**

**The Navy’s First Carrier Unmanned Aircraft Squadron**

VUQ-10 stood up on 01 Oct 2022 and we’ve been steadily building our squadron aboard Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Maryland. The [MQ-25 Stingray](https://www.navair.navy.mil/product/MQ-25tm-Stingray) is the Navy’s carrier launched refueling air vehicle. You’ll be joining a brand new community and integral to its development. As we’re brand new, our sponsorship program is both crucial and in its infancy, we’ll be supported by a fellow NAS Patuxent River command – [VX-1](https://www.airlant.usff.navy.mil/vx1/). VUQ-10 does not have a permanent Duty Office at which you can check in. We’ll be leveraging VX-1 Admin (301-757-3730) and Command Duty Officer (301-757-1468) in the near term to ensure all personnel are being taken care of.

**Transportation**

Commercial Air: DCA – Ronald Reagan Washington National (1hr 10min)

IAD – Washington Dulles International (1hr 45min)

BWI – Baltimore/Washington International (1hr 45min)

Your sponsor can facilitate a pick up at the local airports, keep them informed of your time/date and flight. NAS Patuxent River is in a fairly rural area; there are no public transportation options from the Washington D.C. area.

Personal Vehicle (POV): If you’re arriving via your personal car, inform your sponsor.

**Personal**

Your sponsor can help you with recommendations for housing, schools, and POCs for base. Unfortunately, NAS Pax River does not support “geo-baching” at this time.

NAS Pax River has a robust [MWR program](https://www.navymwrpaxriver.com/) and a fully outfitted gym, pool, and bowling center.

NAS Pax River isn’t the easiest base to get around without a vehicle (it’s quite large and spread out), we can make some accommodations if you are without, but please let us know soonest so we can start planning.

For additional base information, visit the [NAS Patuxent River website](https://ndw.cnic.navy.mil/Installations/NAS-Patuxent-River/).

**Command**

Official Command Address (For Official Use Only):

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Welcome again! Don’t hesitate to reach out and we look forward to serving with you. The Air Wing of the Future starts with you!

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