



Rations: Religious Meals

- Kosher, Halal and Kosher for Passover are **DVD*** items, not depot stocked
- **Kosher & Halal – 2 yrs shelf life, Passover- 1 yr**
- Kosher & Passover vendor Labriute Meals in Lakewood, NJ
- Halal vendor SOPAKCO in Mullins, SC. They also do MRE, TOTM, MCW, FSR, MOREs
- **Leadtime CONUS is 10-28 days and OCONUS 90-150 days (Hawaii & Alaska 45-60 days)**

* **DVD = Direct Vendor Delivery**. Meals are produced and made to order and shipped directly from the vendor to the customer. MREs, in contrast, are depot stocked items. Orders are made and meals ship from the depot to the customer.



Kosher for Passover Meals

Lessons Learned

- **Order as early as is feasible to ensure success.**
- **Navy MUST submit a street mailing address CONUS/OCONUS with FPO.**
- **Confirm that DLA Delivery is shipping OCONUS commercial air shipments per the DTR and customs advisories**



ORDERING RELIGIOUS MEALS

* **PRIMARY DLA TROOP SUPPORT RATIONS POC:** Joe Zanolle,
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- Order Kosher and Halal just as you would order the MRE. Requisitions are processed according to the supply procedures for each Military Service IAQ their installation/state/command food program management office SOPs. If you use **STORES***, order Kosher and Halal in STORES.
- If you don't use STORES, Mr. Zanolle can manually process the order if you **email him the following:**
 - Bill To DODAAC
 - Ship To DODAAC- order will be ship to the address linked to the DODAAC
 - FUND Code
 - NSN (Kosher is 8970-01-424-1996 and Halal is 8970-01-424-1998)
 - Quantity
 - A good POC, phone and email
- **STORES** = Subsistence Total Order and Receipt Electronic System (used by Army and USMC):

https://www.stores.dla.mil/stores_web/Admin_Logon.aspx



ORDERING RELIGIOUS MEALS

* ORDERING LEAD TIMES (estimated):

- Kosher and Halal are not stocked. They are made to order by vendors on the East Coast.
- East Coast 10-14 business days
- Central and Mountain 14-21 business days
- West Coast 21-28 business days
- Hawaii & Alaska is 45-60 days
- OCONUS is **90-150** days depending on where they need to go and the qty ordered

- **If you are in EUCOM, CENTCOM, AFRICOM your ordered is to be submitted to the DLA Europe & Africa Team** and then they will coordinate with Mr. Zanolle. They have a customer order form to be filled out.
- -Cline, Avrion L TSgt USAF DLA (USA) Avrion.Cline@dla.mil
- -Danley, Dustin F CIV DLA TROOP SUPPORT (USA) Dustin.Danley@dla.mil
- -Fielder, Robert Brian (Rob) CIV DLA TROOP SUPPORT (USA) Robert.Fielder@dla.mil;
- -TRP SPT E&A OPRATs Team DLATRPSPTOPRATSTeam@dla.mil

- **CONUS you can send direct to Mr. Zanolle.**



INFORMATIONAL WEBSITE FOR RELIGIOUS MEALS

See this link for a collection of information on ordering religious meals for the Military Services:

<https://www.dla.mil/TroopSupport/Subsistence/Operational-rations/rekoshhal/>

Ordering lead-time:

CONUS East Coast- 10-14 business days

CONUS Central/Mountain - 14-21 business days

CONUS West Coast- 21-28 business days

Hawaii & Alaska- 45-60 days

OCONUS- 90 to 150 days

NOTE: Kosher and Halal meals are not stocked and made to order. These lead-times are estimated, we do everything in our power to get meals to you asap. In addition to above lead-times, please take into consideration current food supply chain shortages, holidays, weather conditions/delivery & trans delays, surge in service requirements and other unforeseen circumstances. The KOSHER vendor is closed for Jewish holidays in Spring, Fall and end of year. The HALAL vendor is typically closed for a week at the end of summer and end of the year. The sooner you submit your order the better we can get you your meals by your RDD.



ARMY GUIDANCE

See AR 30-22 on the Army Food Program (July 2019). Here's a few pertinent snapshots:

4–9. Religious operational rations

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