

# Introduction

## Military Operations on VATSIM: An Overview for ATC

This guide provides an overview of common military operations on VATSIM, specifically for ATC. It is important to note that some operations are restricted to pilots who are part of Virtual Special Operations (VSO) organizations, such as vRAF. For specific guidelines, please refer to the Virtual Airlines Partner Policy.

## Key Considerations:

- **VSO-Restricted Operations:** Some operations, like air-to-air refueling and intercept scrambles, are generally reserved for VSO members. Pilots not affiliated with VSO organizations are typically not permitted to perform these tasks.
- **Other Military Procedures:** Most other military operations, while more common, can be conducted by any pilot on the network. However, it is highly recommended that pilots check with ATC before attempting any special military maneuvers to ensure proper coordination and safety.

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