

Travel Information for Visiting the ORNL Distributed Active Archive Center

Note: You will need a visitor's badge to enter ORNL. Your host will make arrangements for your badge.

Airlines:

Fly into Knoxville's McGee Tyson airport (TYS). Rental cars are available at the airport from most major companies.

Hotels:

Hotels in Oak Ridge used by previous visitors are listed below alphabetically:

Comfort Inn (865-481-8200)

Garden Plaza Hotel (865-481-2468)

Hampton Inn (865-482-7889)

Jamison Inn (865 483-6809)

These hotels are within a few blocks of each other, all located along Illinois or Rutgers avenues.

Some people prefer to stay in "West" Knoxville, where there are many other hotels and a greater variety of restaurants and activities. West Knoxville is between McGee Tyson airport and Oak Ridge and is approximately 30 minutes driving time from the ORNL DAAC. Check out the links on the following Web page to find out what's available in this vicinity:

<http://maps.yahoo.com> and enter a zip code of 37932.

Driving Directions from the Airport to Selected Hotels in Oak Ridge (30 minutes drive time)

Exiting the airport, take Hwy 129 North towards Knoxville/Oak Ridge. From Hwy 129 turn right onto Interstate 140 (just after the West Chevrolet dealership on your right). Interstate 140 becomes Hwy 162 shortly after crossing over I 40/75; continue on Hwy 162, following signs to Oak Ridge. Hwy 162 becomes Hwy 62, which leads into Oak Ridge on Illinois Avenue. The Comfort Inn, Garden Plaza, and the Hampton Inn are located within a few blocks of each other along this street.

Driving Directions from Oak Ridge to the ORNL DAAC:

Allow about 15 minutes travel time from the Oak Ridge hotels to the ORNL DAAC. From the Oak Ridge hotels along Illinois Avenue, take Illinois Avenue south, bearing right onto Scarboro Road (0.25 miles past Dean Stallings Ford). Follow the signs to Oak Ridge National Lab. Travel approximately 1.7 miles before turning right onto Bethel Valley Road. After traveling for ~1 mile, you will come to a security checkpoint. Show the guards a photo ID; they will have your name on a guest list and allow you through the checkpoint. Proceed west for approximately 5.0 miles. At the traffic circle (roundabout) follow the signs to the Visitor's Center, where you will obtain your badge. After getting your badge, go through the traffic circle and proceed west on Bethel Valley Road for ~1 mile, turning left at stoplight number X-3 onto First Street. Take the second right; Building 1507 is the third building on the left. You can park in any of the lots in this area; a parking permit is not required.