

PORTSMOUTH SITE

Visitor Guide



Address

3930 US Rt. 23 South
Piketon, Ohio 45661

Phone

740-897-2331

Visitor Badging

XT-801 Building
740-897-3452

On-Site Emergency

740-897-2444

Site Security Rules for Visitors

Vehicle/Traffic Safety *(while on DOE property)*

- Do not cross or drive around any barricades and abide by all postings.

Prohibited Articles

- Explosives, firearms, controlled substances (e.g., illegal drugs or paraphernalia, but not prescription medicine), and other items prohibited by law
- Use and/or possession of alcoholic beverages

Searches

- People, vehicles and personal property are subject to random inspection at any time while on DOE property

Controlled Articles in Limited Area

- Devices equipped with audio or video recording capabilities
- Mobile phones or devices equipped with cellular transmission capabilities

Security Badges *(worn all the time)*

- Security badges must be displayed at all times while on the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant property
- Badges must be worn above the waist, below the neck, with the front of the badge facing forward and on the outermost garment

Escorts *(in designated areas)*

- Those without appropriate clearance and training will be escorted when entering areas requiring a security clearance and/or radiological training
- Follow instructions given by your escort at all times
- Remain with your escort at all times, i.e., within sight, sound and/or physical control of the escort

Smoking

- Smoking, including vaping, is not permitted in any government building or government vehicle
- Smoking is only permitted in designated smoking areas

Note: As of May 7, 2025, all participants must have a government-issued REAL ID driver's license. Regular driver's license and passports will no longer be accepted. Those who do not present approved ID will not be permitted on the tour. No exceptions.

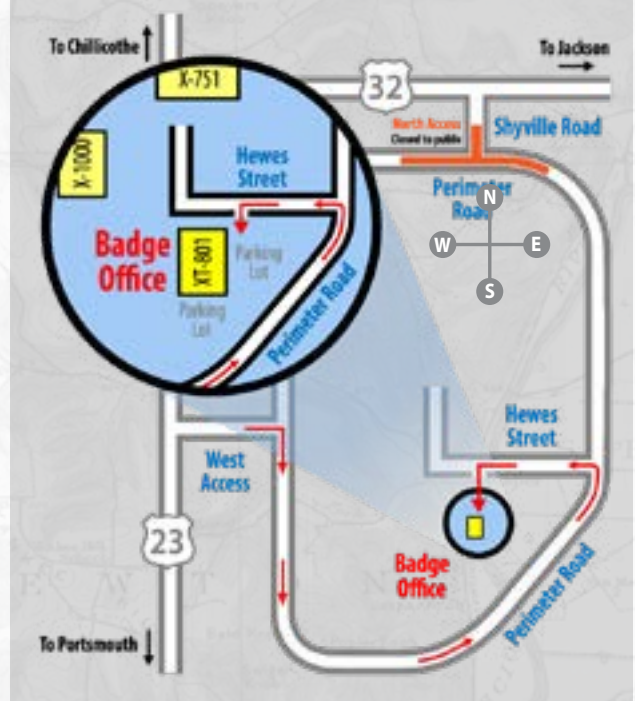
Welcome to the Portsmouth Site

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Portsmouth Site in Pike County, Ohio is a nuclear industrial complex that has supported the United States energy and defense needs for more than 70 years. Current missions at the site include:

- Decommissioning and environmental cleanup
- Depleted uranium conversion
- Centrifuge uranium enrichment testing

Directions

- Coming south on US 23, take the exit just past Glockner Oil Company on the right.
- Coming north on US 23, the exit is near Mile Marker 4 on the right.
 - › Proceed on West Access Road through the security portal to Perimeter Road.
 - › At the stop light, yield right onto Perimeter Road. Proceed around the site, then turn left on Hewes Street. The XT-801 is on the left. The security/badging area is located inside the east entrance on the right.



Travel Information

Area Hotels

- **Comfort Inn**
7525 US Highway 23
Piketon, OH 45661
740-443-4049
Driving distance to site: 7 miles
- **Ameristay Inn & Suites**
800 W Emmitt Ave
Waverly, OH 45690
740-941-4678
Driving distance to site: 11 miles
- **Christopher Inn & Suites**
30 N Plaza Blvd
Chillicothe, OH 45601
740-774-6835
Driving distance to site: 30 miles
- **Holiday Inn Downtown**
711 2nd Street
Portsmouth, OH 45662
740-354-7711
Driving distance to site: 20 miles
- **Fairfield Inn & Suites**
300 N Plaza Blvd
Chillicothe, OH 45601
740-771-9090
Driving distance to site: 30 miles
- **Hampton Inn & Suites**
100 N Plaza Blvd
Chillicothe, OH 45601
740-773-1616
Driving distance to site: 30 miles
- **Shawnee Lodge**
4404B State Route 125
West Portsmouth, OH 45663
740-858-6621
Driving distance to site: 40 miles

Airports

- **John Glenn Columbus International Airport**
Columbus, OH
Driving distance to site: 74 miles
- **Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport**
Cincinnati, Ohio / Newport, KY
Driving distance to site: 103 miles
- **Huntington Tri-State Airport**
Huntington, WV
Driving distance to site: 62 miles
- **Greater Portsmouth Regional Airport**
Portsmouth, OH 45662
Driving distance to site: 19 miles

Restaurants

- **Piketon** – Ritchie’s Backyard BBQ, Subway, Carson’s Corner Pizza, Riverside, Giovanni’s Pizza, Taco Bell., Johnson’s Dairy Bar
- **Waverly** – Roosters, Lake White Club, Beast and Bottle, Black Diamond Brewery & Distillery, El Charro, Diner 23, Cardo’s Pizza, Fred’s Pizza, Lloyd’s Pizza, China One, Bob Evans, McDonald’s, Wendy’s, Arby’s, Burger King, Subway, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Tim Horton’s, Pizza Hut, Hot Head Burrito, Sonora.
- **Portsmouth** – The Scioto Ribber, Portsmouth Brewery, Patties and Pints, Buffalo Wild Wings, Pizza Pub, Toro Loco, Applebee’s, Bob Evans, Yamato Japanese Steak House, Market Street Cafe, Fred’s Pizza, Casa Grande, Giovanni’s Pizza, Oscar’s, Sonora’s, Ollie’s Burgers & BBQ, Belini Cucina, Pizza Hut, Maestro’s, Odd Fellows, China City, Penn Station, Fork and Finger.
- **Chillicothe** – Old Canal Smokehouse, Hana Japanese Steakhouse, The Dock at Water, The Pour House, Fire and Stone Pizzeria, Lievita, Longhorn, Olive Garden, Tumbleweed, Buffalo Wild Wings, Red Lobster, Texas Roadhouse, Roosters, Frisch’s, Jerry’s Pizza, Raising Cane’s, 7 Miles Smokehouse, Fifty West Brewing Company, Sumburger, Crazy Dogs Grill, Carl’s Townhouse, The Coop, Los Mariachis, Casa Del Taco, Hometown Hibachi, Bell Farms.



Information Links

- **DOE Project Office**
<https://www.energy.gov/pppo/portsmouthpaducah-project-office>
- **Public Tours**
www.teamsocco.com/public-tours
- **History of the Portsmouth Site**
<http://www.portsvirtualmuseum.org>

Prime Contractors

- Southern Ohio Cleanup Company
- North Wind Dynamics
- Enterprise Technical Assistance Services, Inc.
- Mission Conversion Services Alliance

Local Chambers of Commerce

- **Ross County**
www.chillicotheohio.com
- **Jackson County**
www.jacksonohiochamber.com
- **Pike County**
www.pikechamber.org
- **Scioto County**
www.portsmouth.org