

MAJOR-GENERAL D.W. JOYCE, OMM, MSM, CD

DEPUTY COMMANDER CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES NORAD REGION

Major-General Derek Joyce joined the Canadian Forces in 1985 after graduating from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Science in Math and Economics.

He earned his Air Navigator (now Air Combat Systems Officer) wings in 1987 and assumed the duties of a maritime patrol navigator on the CP-140 Aurora with 405 (Maritime Patrol) Squadron (Sqn), his first of three tours with the Pathfinders. He began his last tour with 405 Sqn as Commanding Officer in 2004 and subsequently deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan in 2006, working in NATO Headquarters. From 2007 to 2009 he was appointed Wing Commander, 14 Wing Greenwood, and in 2010, he assumed command of the Canadian Forces Aerospace Warfare Centre located at 8 Wing/CFB Trenton.



In August 2011, he was appointed the Commanding Officer of Task Force Libeccio, the air component deployed on Operation MOBILE, the Canadian Forces' participation in the NATO operations in Libya. In 2012, he was promoted to Brigadier-General and assigned to the Privy Council Office in Ottawa as the Military Advisor to the National Security Advisor and subsequently Director of Operations in Foreign and Defence Policy. In 2013, he was appointed Director General Military Careers at National Defence Headquarters in Ottawa. He was promoted to his current rank in December 2014, and assigned as the Deputy Commander, Military Personnel Command. In July 2016 he was appointed Director General International Security Policy, a position he held until June 2019 when he was appointed to his current job as Deputy Commander Continental United States NORAD region at Tyndall AFB, Florida.

Major-General Joyce attended the United Kingdom Advanced Command and Staff Course and the National Studies Program in Toronto. He has over 3,000 flying hours on the CC-130 Hercules and CP-140 Aurora.