# **436 AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON**



## MISSION

The mission of the 436 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron is to provide safe, reliable aircraft and dependable maintenance support to Team Dover in fulfilling its global peacetime and combat taskings. The squadron carries out its mission through the services of one aircraft maintenance unit, a transient maintenance flight and a sortie support flight. The squadron fulfills a mobility commitment by deploying personnel worldwide in support of Air Mobility Command's off-shore en route system.

The aircraft maintenance unit is responsible for the inspection, repair, launch and recovery of 18 assigned C-5 aircraft. The transient maintenance flight supports all civilian aircraft transiting Dover Air Force Base as well as, C-130, KC-10, C-17, and C-5 thru-flights. The sortie support flight provides the flights with the tools and special equipment necessary to ensure all aircraft are mission ready. Additionally, the support flight manages the squadron's vehicle fleet.

# LINEAGE

436 Organizational Maintenance Squadron constituted and activated, 27 Dec 1967 Organized, 8 Jan 1966 Redesignated 436 Aircraft Generation Squadron, 1 Aug 1990 Redesignated 436 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 1 Oct 2002

# **STATIONS**

Dover AFB, DE, 8 Jan 1966

# ASSIGNMENTS

436 Logistics Group, 1 Dec 1991436 Operations Group, 1 Feb 1993436 Logistics Group, 1 Apr 1995436 Maintenance Group, 1 Oct 2002

#### **COMMANDERS**

Lt Col Troy G. Sponaugle, 18 Jan 1966 Lt Col William L. Orange, 23 Aug 1971 Lt Col Robert R. Thomas, 1974 Lt Col Jay D. Gerding, 1 Jun 1974 Lt Col Larry E. Bower, Feb 1978 Lt Col John C. Smith, Jun 1978 Lt Col Robert A. Reichert, 30 Sep 1979 Lt Col Lee H. Logan, 27 Jun 1980 Lt Col Jimmie D. Schuman, 5 Nov 1981 Lt Col Joseph M. Sullivan, 13 Aug 1982 Lt Col Gary L. Belmont, 2 Oct 1984 Lt Col Walter J. Evans, 25 Sep 1987 Maj Sammie L. White, 20 Oct 1988 Maj Diana L. Richard, 8 Sep 1989 Maj Thomas P. Toole, 1 Dec 1991 Lt Col Stephen E. Myers, 7 Oct 1992 Lt Col James D. Pauly, Jr., 1 Jul 1995 Lt Col Howard J. Hemeon III, 1 Jun 1997 Lt Col Robert E. Hamm, Jr., 6 Jan 1999 Lt Col Mark B. SanSouci, 26 Jun 2000 Lt Col Richard S. Marks, 8 Jul 2002 Lt Col Thomas J. Kauth, 29 Apr 2004 Lt Col Charles S. Nesemeier, 18 Jul 2006 Maj Stephanie D. Halcrow, 7 Jan 2008 Maj Richard W. Branson, 26 May 2010 Maj Andrew J. Levien, 17 Jul 2012 Maj Michael A. Perez, 5 Jun 2014 Maj Danzel W. Albertsen, 27 Aug 2014 Maj Jason E. Purcell, 20 Jul 2016 Lt Col P. Stermer, 27 Jun 2018 Lt Col Josephine Beacham, 11 May 2021

#### HONORS

Service Streamers Global War on Terrorism Service

## **Campaign Streamers**

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers Panama, 1989 - 1990

#### Decorations

Meritorious Unit Award 1 Jan 2012 – 31 Dec 2012 Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 13 Nov-18 Dec 1967 1 Jan 1968–31 Dec 1969 1 Sep 1971–30 Jun 1972 13 Oct-14 Nov 1973 1 Jan 1974–30 Apr 1975 1 May 1975–31 May 1976 1 Jun 1976–31 May1978 1 Jun 1978–31 May 1979 1 Jun 1981–31 May 1982 1 Jun 1982–31 May 1984 1 Aug 1992–31 Jul 1994 1 Jul 1997–30 Jun 1999 1 Jul 2000-30 Jun 2001 1 Jul 2001-30 Jun 2002 1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2003 1 Jul 2003-30 Jun 2004 1 Jul 2004-30 Jun 2005 1 Sep 2007–31 Aug 2009 1 Jan-31 Dec 2010 1 Jan 2011-31 Dec 2011 1 Jan 2013 – 30 Sep 2014 1 Oct 2015 – 30 Sep 2017

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436 Organizational Maintenance Squadron emblems



436 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron emblem: Per fess Or and Azure, a bald eagle displayed Proper talons Yellow perched on a heart issuant from base Gules all below a flight symbol affronet Argent shaded Silver; all within a diminished bordure of the second. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The flight symbol represents the nature of the unit's ultimate mission. The bald eagle, a symbol of American defense, is part of the aircraft Maintenance Career Field Badge. The red heart connotes the central importance of the maintenance mission. (Approved, 25 May 2007)

## ΜΟΤΤΟ

HEART OF THE EAGLE

## NICKNAME

**OPERATIONS** 

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