

30 OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

The 30 Operations Support Squadron leads the wing spacelift operations training program, operates a \$3.5 billion airfield complex, develops weapon system tactics. The 30th OSS operates the Air Force's only space Training Device Design and Engineering Center, producing most of the space and missile training devices used throughout AFSPC and AETC. The squadron also prepares and executes all host base support for Guardian Challenge competition as well as the Guardian Tiger and Guardian Sword readiness programs for space and missile forces.

LINEAGE

30 Airdrome Squadron constituted, 25 Jan 1943

Activated, 1 Feb 1943

Redesignated 30 Airdrome Squadron (Special), 16 Apr 1943

Disbanded, 1 Apr 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 30 Operations Support Squadron, 1 Nov 1991

Activated, 19 Nov 1991

Changed status from a unit of United States Air Force to a unit of United States Space Force, 7 May 2021

STATIONS

Kearney AAB, NE, 1 Feb 1943

Scott AAB, IL, 17 Aug 1943

Kearney AAB, NE, 3 Nov 1943-1 Apr 1944
Vandenberg AFB (later, SFB), 19 Nov 1991

ASSIGNMENTS

Second Air Force, 1 Feb 1943-1 Apr 1944
30 Operations Group, 19 Nov 1991
Space Launch Delta 30, 7 May 2021

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
[19] Nov 1991-30 Sep 1993
1 Oct 1994-30 Sep 1996
1 Oct 1996-30 Sep 1997
1 Jan-31 Dec 1997
1 Jan 1998-30 Sep 1999
1 Jan-31 Dec 2000
1 Oct 2000-30 Sep 2001
1 Oct 2001-30 Sep 2002
1 Oct 2007-30 Sep 2009
1 Oct 2009-30 Sep 2010

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On an ultramarine disc, the upper third of a Brittany azure globe, highlighted with ultramarine azure longitude and latitude lines, is positioned at middle base. An argent deltoid, followed by an or contrail, emerges from behind the globe and encircles the disc from sinister base to middle chief. An argent sword hilted brown is surmounted over the globe from sinister base to dexter chief. Two parallel radar sweeps emerge also from behind the globe and encircle the disc from sinister base to sinister chief, disappearing behind the blade of the sword. The disc is bordered with ultramarine azure. An or scroll, which is blank, is attached below the disc.

SIGNIFICANCE: Ultramarine blue and Air Force 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 gray deltoid links the unit to its parent command, the Air Force Space Command. The contrail flowing from the deltoid links the unit to the 30th Space Wing's spacelift mission. It also represents the aeronautical and launch related employments provided by the unit. The Brittany blue globe depicts the worldwide impact of the unit employments on spacelift operations. The sword denotes our unit's integrity and decisive responsiveness in the use of airfield operations, training, intelligence, and conduct of space and missile presentations, Guardian exercises and competitions, and missile heritage. The two radar scope sweeps represent constant vigilance exerted by various functions of the unit. (Approved, 12 Sep 1994)

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Sources

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