

342nd TRAINING SQUADRON



MISSION

The mission of the 342nd Training Squadron is to provide pararescue, combat control, survival evasion resistance escape instructor, tactical air control party, and explosive ordnance disposal recruitment, screening, and training in support of USAF special tactics units.

The 342nd TRS is the home of all Air Force Special Ops entry level training and advanced security forces skills. The squadron provides Pararescue, Combat Control, Survival Evasion Resistance Escape, Tactical Air Control Party and Explosive Ordnance Disposal recruitment, screening and training in support of Air Force units worldwide. The squadron also provides advanced security forces training. Focusing on ground combat skills, ordnance systems security, law enforcement and combat arms, as well as delivering marksmanship training to all basic military training recruits.

Geographically Separated Units:

Det 1 Kirtland AFB NM Pararescue/Combat Rescue Officer School

Det 2 NSA Panama City FL Air Force Combat Dive Course

Det 3 Hurlburt Field FL Tactical Air Control Party/ Career Air Liaison Officer School

OL A Camp Bullis TX Expeditionary Skills Training (BC3, CAST)

OL B Fort Benning GA Basic Airborne, Jumpmaster, Ranger School, Pathfinder

OL C Pope AFB NC Combat Control/Special Tactics Officer, Special Operations Weather School, AF Jumpmaster

OL D Yuma Proving Grounds AZ US Army Military Freefall School

The squadron is staffed with:

Officers: 16

Enlisted: 206

Civilian: 49

LINEAGE

3270th Technical Training Group established and activated, 30 Apr 1976

Redesignated 3270th Technical Training Squadron, 1 Feb 1992

Redesignated 342nd Technical Training Squadron, 15 Sep 1992

Redesignated 342nd Training Squadron, 1 Apr 1994

STATIONS

Lackland AFB, TX, 30 Apr 1976

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

LTC William Schroeder

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jan 1990-31 Dec 1991

1 Jul 1992-30 Jun 1994

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1996

1 Jul 1996-30 Jun 1998

1 Jul 2000-30 Jun 2002

1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2003

EMBLEM

On a disc Vert, A torch Or enflamed Gules, grasped by a gauntlet Argent (Silver Gray), detailed with a compass star of the same, and between six lightning bolts of the second radiating to dexter and sinister, all within a narrow border Blue. 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 green background symbolizes the wisdom and the mission of ground and air to ground combat skills training. The lightning bolts represent the abilities of the squadron in the execution of the mission in six major Air Force specialties. The torch represents knowledge and training. The gauntlet symbolizes combat power through worldwide deployment. (Approved, 24 May 2005)

MOTTO

EXERCEO PRELIATORS BELLOR

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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