

920 AIR REFUELING SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

30 Reconnaissance Squadron (Heavy) Constituted and 28 Jan 1942

Redesignated 420 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy), 22 Apr 1942

Activated, 1 Jun 1942

Inactivated, 10 Apr 1944

Redesignated 420 Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, 4 Aug 1944

Activated, 19 Sep 1944

Inactivated, 4 Jan 1946

920 Air Refueling Squadron, Heavy constituted and activated, 17 Feb 1960

Organized, 15 Apr 1960

420 Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy and 920 Air Refueling Squadron, Heavy consolidated,
19 Sep 1985. Consolidated organization designated 920 Air Refueling Squadron, Heavy.

Redesignated 920 Air Refueling Squadron, 1 Sep 1991

Inactivated, 30 Sep 1992

STATIONS

Geiger Field, WA, 1 Jun 1942

Davis-Monthan Field, AZ, 23 Jun 1942

Wendover Field, UT, 30 Jul 1942

Pueblo AAB, CO, 1 Oct 1942

Davis-Monthan Field, AZ, 1 Dec 1942

Clovis, NM, 29 Jan 1943

Langley Field, VA, 17 Dec 1943
Chatham AAFld, GA, 10 Feb-10 Apr 1944
Dalhart AAFld, TX, 19 Sep 1944
Smoky Hill AAFld, KS, 11 Dec 1944-1 Aug 1945
Guam, 9 Sep-16 Dec 1945 (Ground echelon only; air echelon remained in US)
Camp Anza, CA, 30 Dec 1945-4 Jan 1946
Carswell AFB, TX, 15 Apr 1960
Wurtsmith AFB, MI, 15 Jun 1960 – 30 Sep 1992

ASSIGNMENTS

302 Bombardment Group, 1 Jun 1942-10 Apr 1944
382 Bombardment Group, 19 Sep 1944-4 Jan 1946
Strategic Air Command: 17 February 1960 (not organized)
7 Bombardment Wing, 15 April 1960
4026 Strategic Wing, 15 Jun 1960
379 Bombardment Wing, 1 Feb 1963
379 Operations Group, 1 Sep 1991
305 Operations Group, 1 Jun 1992 – 30 Sep 1992

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-24, 1942-1944
B-29, 1945-1946
KC-135

COMMANDERS

LTC John B. Weed, 15 Apr 1960-15 Jul 1960

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater
Asiatic-Pacific Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Jul 1963-30 Jun 1964
1 Jul 1970-30 Jun 1971

EMBLEM



420 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) emblem: On a light blue disc, a red serpentine devil, green face and gloves, holding a trident black and riding a black aerial bomb falling to base, speed lines white. (Approved, 27 Jan 1943)



920 Air Refueling Squadron, Heavy emblems

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NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Operational and later replacement training unit, Oct 1942-Mar 1944

Deployed crewmembers to the 1709 Air Refueling Wing, Provisional at Jeddah, Saudi Arabia; The 1703 Air Refueling Wing, Provisional at King Khalid International Airport and to Incirlik Air Base Turkey. Flew 500 missions in support of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. 1991

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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