

24 INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

24 Observation Squadron (Light) constituted, 5 Feb 1942
Activated, 27 Feb 1942
Redesignated 24 Observation Squadron, 4 Jul 1942
Redesignated 24 Reconnaissance Squadron (Bombardment), 2 Apr 1943
Redesignated 33 Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron, 11 Aug 1943
Inactivated, 4 Oct 1945
Redesignated 24 Air Intelligence Squadron, 1 Feb 1992
Activated on 11 Feb 1992
Inactivated, 1 Dec 1995
Redesignated 24 Intelligence Squadron, 17 Dec 2002
Activated, 8 Jan 2003

STATIONS

Wilmington, NC, 27 Feb 1942
Key Field, MS, 27 Feb 1942
Pope Field, NC, 28 Mar 1942
Vichy, MO, 14 Dec 1942
Morris Field, NC, 8 May 1943
Gainesville AAFld, TX, 30 Oct 1943
Will Rogers Field, OK, 16 Jan-12 Apr 1944
Chalgrove, England, 27 Apr 1944
Le Molay, France, 15 Aug 1944
Toussus le Noble, France, 30 Aug 1944

Gosselies, Belgium, 21 Sep 1944
Le Culot, Belgium, 5 Nov 1944
Venlo, Holland, 10 Mar 1945
Gutersloh, Germany, 16 Apr 1945
Brunswick, Germany, 25 Apr 1945
Eschwege, Germany, 17 May-23 Aug 1945
Camp Myles Standish, MA, 3-4 Oct 1945
Ramstein AB, Germany, 8 Jan 2003

ASSIGNMENTS

76 Observation (later Reconnaissance) Group, 27 Feb 1942
III Reconnaissance (later Tactical Air) Command, 11 Aug 1943
10 Photographic Group, 1 May 1944
67 Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 13 Jun 1944
XXIX Tactical Air Command (Prov), 7 Oct 1944
363 Tactical Reconnaissance Group, 30 Oct 1944
67 Tactical Reconnaissance (later Reconnaissance) Group, 17 May 1945
363 Reconnaissance Group, 5 Jul-20 Aug 1945
24 Operations Group, 11 February 1992–1 Dec 1995
United States Air Forces in Europe Air and Space Operations Center, 8 Jan 2003
616 Support Group, 1 Nov 2005
603 Support Group, 1 Dec 2006
693 Intelligence Group (later, 693 Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Group), 1 Apr 2008

ATTACHMENTS

10 Photographic Group to 11 Aug 1944
67 Tactical Reconnaissance Group to 2 Nov 1944

WEAPON SYSTEMS

A-20
B-25
DB/RDB-7
L-4A
P-39
P-43
P-51
P-38, 1944-1945
F-5B
F-5C
F-5E

COMMANDERS

1 Lt John Pabst, Mar 1942

1 Lt Arthur L. Mason
2 LT William J. MacKenzie
1 LT Ernest R. Berg, 1 May 1942-2 Apr 1943
Maj Leon H. McCurdy, 25 Jul 1943
Capt Theodore A. Rogers, 16 Oct 1944
Capt Thomas A. Roberts, 23 Dec 1944
Capt William S. Scott, Jr., 17 May 1945
Maj Harry W. Trimble, 3 June 1945
Capt Stamy E. Edmisten, Jr., 15 Sep 1945-4 Oct 1945
Lt Col Jean McIntyre
Lt Col Kathleen Sakura, 2004
Lt Col Jenny A. McGee, 2005
Lt Col Mark P. Braisted, 6 July 2007
Lt Col Todd M. Berrier, 2 Jul 2009
Lt Col Robert G. Ramirez, 7 Jul 2011

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Offensive, Europe

Air Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

Air Combat, EAME Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citation

France, 6–20 May 1944

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

11 Feb 1992–31 Jul 1993

1 Jan 2006–31 Dec 2007

1 June 2007-31 May 2009

Cited in the Order of the Day, Belgian Army

[12 Aug-28] Sep 1944

[6 Nov]-17 Dec 1944

18 Dec 1944-[14] Jan 1945

Belgian Fourragere

EMBLEM



24 Observation Squadron emblem



24 Air Intelligence Squadron



24 Intelligence Squadron emblem: On a disc per fess wavy, Azure and Light Blue, a death's head

Proper, emitting a lightning bolt from each eye socket Or, surmounting a large aerial bomb dropping bendwise sinister Gules, banded behind the nose and before the tail fins by two stripes of the first, all within a narrow border Blue. Attached below the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "24 INTELLIGENCE SQ" in Blue letters. **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 human skull represents the Squadron's determination to fulfill the assigned mission. The bomb is reminiscent of the strong resolve to defend against enemies. The lightning flashes reflect the illumination of knowledge provided by the unit's intelligence mission. (Approved, 10 Oct 1942)

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OPERATIONS

Combat in ETO, 23 May 1944-3 May 1945.

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