

## 28 MUNITIONS SQUADRON



### MISSION

28 Munitions Squadron Provides conventional munitions, armament systems, and trained munitions personnel in support of 29 combat ready B-IB aircraft to meet JCS operations plans taskings, including deployed theater operations and power projection operations from the United States. Maintains over 1,600 munitions line items, 30 conventional bomb modules, 36 conventional rotary launchers, and ACC's B-IB strategic launcher inventory.

### LINEAGE

28 Aviation Depot Squadron constituted, 5 Dec 1956  
Activated, 1 Jan 1957  
Redesignated 28 Munitions Maintenance Squadron, 1 Jul 1960  
Inactivated, 30 Apr 1992  
Redesignated 28 Munitions Squadron, 24 Feb 1994  
Activated, 28 Feb 1994

### STATIONS

Carswell AFB, TX, 1 Jan 1957  
Ellsworth AFB, SD, 1 Oct 1972-30 Apr 1992  
Ellsworth AFB, SD, 28 Feb 1994

### COMMANDERS

Lt Col Lawrence G. O'Brien

### HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

## Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

### Decorations

1 Jun 2001 – 31 May 2003 (with Valor)

1 Jun 2003 – 31 May 2005

### Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Aug 1960 – 1 Aug 1962

18 Jun 1965 – 1 Mar 1966

1 Jul 1973 – 30 Jun 1975

1 Jul 1975 – 30 Jun 1976

1 Jul 1976 – 30 Jun 1978

1 Jul 1978 – 30 Jun 1979

1 Jul 1979 – 30 Jun 1980

1 Jul 1981 – 30 Jun 1983

1 Jul 1984 – 30 Jun 1986

1 Jul 1988 – 30 Jun 1990

1 Jun – 30 Nov 1994

1 Jun 1997 – 31 May 1999

### EMBLEM



On a disc per saltire blue and gold within a narrow gold border a red disc rayonne emitting three red lightning flashes in pairle throughout charged with an Air Force award symbol, five white flight symbols converging surmounted The emblem is symbolic of the squadron. Against the blue which depicts the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations, the stars allude to the SAC banner and their number - two and eight - indicate the unit's numerical designation. The blue and gold division of the field suggests day and night and symbolizes the unit's motto "READY DAY OR NIGHT". The lightning, symbolizing speed and striking power; and the flaming red disc, symbolizing nuclear propulsion; represents the Squadron's munitions maintenance function. The

Air Force award symbol denotes the Squadron's Air force Outstanding Unit Award received for outstanding service. The emblem bears the National colors and the Air Force colors golden yellow and ultramarine blue. (Approved, 2 May 1967)



Approved, 8 Aug 1996

#### **MOTTO**

READY DAY OR NIGHT

#### **OPERATIONS**

B-1 bombers from Ellsworth AFB, S.D., displayed their versatility in the maritime role by dropping sea mines over Pacific Coast training ranges in a series of drills in early June. Personnel from Naval Munitions Command Seal Beach, Calif., assembled the Mk-62 and Mk-65 Quick Strike mines, which airmen from the 28th Munitions Squadron then loaded on the bombers. "You don't want to have to be in a situation where you have to deploy mines, but if the threat is there, you want to know you and everyone you are working with knows what they're doing," said Navy minesman Petty Officer 1st Class Jeremy Frick. "We worked really well with the airmen who took part in this build," he added. The interoperability exercise was the first time Ellsworth's B-1s flew mining sorties in several years. 2014

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