

AIR FORCE OPERATIONAL TEST CENTER

LINEAGEⁱ

STATIONS

Eglin AFB, FL

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Col Walter P. Putnam, 1 Jan 1954

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The Air Force Operational Test Center, or AFOTC as it is called, is the primary mission organization of the Air Proving Ground Command. Operational suitability—the *raison d'être* of APGC—is conducted by the personnel assigned to AFOTC.

Within AFOTC there are a number of specialized Divisions and Branches which are responsible for specified types of materiel to be tested. The working responsibility rests with a project officer who prepares, conducts, and evaluates the test program. The test item may be as simple as a modified type of vehicle battery or as complex as an entirely original weapons system.

Supporting this test function are two wings which maintain the aircraft and operate the test facilities needed for the test—the 3200th Maintenance Wing (Test) and the 3206th Support Wing (Test). Both are under the operational control of AFOTC.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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ⁱ Unit History. 3205th Drone Group, Eglin AFB, FL. 1954.