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This instruction implements policy guidance in Air Force Policy Directive (AFPD) 21-1, Managing Aerospace Equipment Maintenance, and AFI 21-124, Air Force Oil Analysis Program (OAP). This instruction provides guidance and direction necessary to develop an effective, Aircraft Metals Technology Program, Nondestructive Inspection (NDI) Program, Aircraft Structural Maintenance (ASM) Program, and Low Observable (LO) Aircraft Structural Maintenance Program. This instruction applies to ACC, PACAF, and USAFE. All tenant units assigned to either of these MAJCOMs will follow this instruction. It applies to Air National Guard (ANG) only upon mobilization and Classic Associate Total Force Integration (TFI) units. It applies to Air Force Reserve Command (AFRC) Classic Associate TFI units and AFRC CAF units during joint force deployments. Attachment 3 of this instruction applies to all AFRC CAF units. All ACC, PACAF, USAFE Maintenance Squadrons (MXS) and Equipment Maintenance Squadrons (EMS) with Fabrication Flights or any of the sections in this instruction shall maintain a current copy of this instruction. Supplements will not lessen the requirements nor change the basic content or intent of this instruction. Process supplements in accordance with (IAW) AFI 33-360, Publications and Forms Management. Refer recommended changes and questions about

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(LAKENHEATH) This supplement provides guidance and procedures for the corrosion control and prevention program at RAF Lakenheath and defines the paint enhancement program. It prescribes organizational and functional responsibilities for the implementation and maintenance of an effective local program and provides guidance and procedures on RAF Lakenheath markings for aircraft. It applies to all assigned, attached or associated units of the 48th Fighter Wing (48FW), Royal Air Force (RAF) Lakenheath, United Kingdom that maintain aircraft, aircraft systems, equipment, support equipment, components, and access the flightline area regardless of Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC). Refer recommended changes and questions about this publication to the Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR) using AF Form 847, Recommendation for Change of Publication, prescribed by AFI 11-215, USAF Flight Manuals Program. Route AF Form 847s through the appropriate functional chain of command. Ensure that all records created as a result of processes prescribed in this publication are maintained in accordance with (IAW) Air Force Manual (AFMAN) 33-363, Management of Records, and disposed of IAW Air Force Records Information Management System (AFRIMS) Records Disposition Schedule (RDS).

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#### **SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

This document is substantially revised and must be completely reviewed. Major changes include: Significant changes were made to Aircraft Metals Technology, NDI, and Aircraft Structural Maintenance sections. Other major changes include adding PACAF and USAFE references to create a CAF Instruction. Also, the creation of the new 2A7X5 AFSC with the start-up of the LO ASM section along with the deletion of the 2A7X4 Survival Equipment. It outlines the criteria for applying combat markings on A-10, F-15, and F-16 aircraft at deployed locations along with criteria for applying markings on F-35, C-130, E-3, MQ-1, MQ-9 and RQ-4 aircraft. F-15 tail markings are standardized throughout the CAF. Additionally, changes were made to the Composite Listing of Distinctive Unit Aircraft Identification Markings. It further outlines the requirement to perform Signature Assessment System (SAS) process for the F-22 aircraft along with Outer Mold Line (OML) audits for the F-35 and F-22 aircraft.

(LAKENHEATH) This document updates existing procedures, integrating the information into the parent instruction. Specification is given for procedures on equipment pre-paint preparation, responsible parties for aiding in preparation, approved aircraft painting configuration, Aerospace Ground Equipment (AGE) Flight Chief responsibilities, Munitions Flight Chief responsibilities, Wing Corrosion Program Manager (WCPM) responsibilities, and Fabrication Flight Chief responsibilities.

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#### Chapter 1

#### AIRCRAFT METALS TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

1.1. Purpose of Aircraft Metals Technology (AFSC 2A7X1). Supports aircraft maintenance, aircraft support equipment maintenance through the manufacture and repair of aircraft components/parts and support equipment parts. Manufactures, reworks, welds, cuts, brazes, forges, solders, and assembles metals and machined parts in the fabrication of metal parts and components. Aircraft Metals Technology also supports aircraft maintenance by removing faulty hardware from aircraft and inspecting aircraft parts for wear using calipers, gauges and micrometers. Utilize blueprints to fabricate aircraft parts, tools, fixtures and miscellaneous items. The manufacturing and repairing is accomplished by forming raw stock using milling machines, lathes, tool and cutter grinder, drill presses, surface grinders, radial arm drill presses and various pneumatic hand tools. In addition to these processes, parts are manufactured and repaired using heat treatment along with fusion welding using tungsten inert gas, metallic inert gas, shield arc, oxy/acetylene and plasma arc cutting. Maintains shop equipment by performing preventative maintenance and other required maintenance on shop equipment.

## 1.2. MAJCOM/A4M Responsibilities.

- 1.2.1. Manages the command Aircraft Metals Technology Program.
- 1.2.2. Designates a senior NCO to manage the program and perform the following responsibilities:
  - 1.2.2.1. Represent command at 2A7X1 utilization and training workshops.
  - 1.2.2.2. Forecast and ensure scheduling of 2A7X1 supplemental training.
  - 1.2.2.3. Manages the welder certification program IAW T.O. 00-25-252, *Aeronautical Equipment Welding*, and this instruction.
  - 1.2.2.4. Approves all intra-command Aircraft Metals Technology TDY manning assistance requests.
  - 1.2.2.5. Develops and coordinates command policy and procedures for Aircraft Metals Technology functions.

#### 1.3. Maintenance Group Commander Responsibilities.

1.3.1. Certifying official for unit level welding examination. May delegate responsibility according to T.O. 00-25-252.

#### 1.4. Maintenance Squadron Commander Responsibilities.

1.4.1. Ensures funding is available for Aircraft Metals Technology personnel who will be certified at an Air Logistics Center (ALC) to perform welding operations.

#### 1.5. Fabrication Flight Chief Responsibilities.

1.5.1. Ensures all journeyman, craftsman or civilian equivalent welders assigned to the Aircraft Metals Technology section are certified IAW T.O. 00-25-252 to perform welding operations in the following base metal groups: I (Carbon and Low Alloy Steel), II (Stainless

- Steels), III (Nickel--Base Alloys), IV (Aluminum Base Alloys), V (Magnesium--Base Alloys), VI (Titanium--Base Alloys), VII (Cobalt--Base Alloys).
- 1.5.2. Determines if welders should be qualified by an ALC or locally. If this is going to be accomplished at an ALC, ensures funding is forecasted.

## 1.6. Aircraft Metals Technology Responsibilities.

- 1.6.1. Ensures assigned Aircraft Metals Technology personnel maintain welding certifications outlined in paragraph 1.5.1.
- 1.6.2. Coordinates requests for an ALC or other qualified organization to qualify welders. If qualification and certification is accomplished locally, coordinates the certification requirements with the nondestructive inspection (NDI) section to ensure x-ray capability exists.
  - 1.6.2.1. **(USAFE)** RAF Lakenheath 48 EMS/MXMFN, is the regionalized USAFE weld certification x-ray facility.
- 1.6.3. On the DD Form 2757, *Welding Examination Record*, the Examining Official (not the NDI examiner) must be a 7-level Metals Technology technician or civilian equivalent welder and will sign and date block 18.
- 1.6.4. Journeyman will be certified NLT 12 months following award of 5-skill level.

#### Chapter 2

#### NONDESTRUCTIVE INSPECTION PROGRAM

## 2.1. Purpose of Nondestructive Inspection (NDI) and Oil Analysis Program (OAP) (AFSC 2A7X2).

- 2.1.1. NDI is a group of inspection methods used to investigate the quality, integrity, properties and dimensions of materials and components without damaging or impairing their serviceability. The primary inspection methods are fluorescent liquid penetrant, magnetic particle, eddy current, ultrasonic and radiographic. NDI extends the life of aircraft, engines and related support equipment by detecting defects, i.e., cracks, voids, delaminations and foreign objects.
- 2.1.2. The OAP is used to measure and evaluate internal engine wear metal by interpreting oil analysis results. The engine condition is assessed based on the diagnosis of the probable source of the wear metal. Based on this assessment, the OAP Laboratory makes a maintenance or operational recommendation to the user. The OAP is an essential part of aircraft maintenance because it helps determine the condition of aircraft engines.
  - 2.1.2.1. Scanning Electron Microscope/Energy Dispersive X-Ray (SEM/EDX) analysis is used to analyze engine wear metal debris that accumulates on master/magnetic chip detectors. The size of this debris is too large to be detected by conventional oil analysis spectrometers in the OAP. SEM/EDX machines use software with an algorithm specific to the engine type under analysis to produce a maintenance or operational recommendation.

#### 2.2. MAJCOM/A4M Responsibilities.

- 2.2.1. Manages the command NDI and Oil Analysis Program.
- 2.2.2. Designate a senior NCO to manage the program and perform the following responsibilities:
  - 2.2.2.1. Represent command at 2A7X2 utilization and training workshops.
  - 2.2.2.2. Forecast and ensure scheduling of 2A7X2 supplemental training.
  - 2.2.2.3. Support the Air Force NDI Office by participating in NDI equipment evaluations, field surveys, NDI Integrated Process Teams (IPT), NDI Product Improvement Teams (PIT), Air Force NDI managers' meetings/working groups and advisory board meetings.
  - 2.2.2.4. Approve all intra-command NDI TDY manning assistance requests.
  - 2.2.2.5. Develop and coordinate command policy and procedures for NDI and OAP functions.

#### 2.3. Maintenance Group Commander Responsibilities.

2.3.1. Ensures an effective NDI and OAP is maintained.

## 2.4. Maintenance Squadron Commander Responsibilities.

- 2.4.1. Ensures only trained 2A7X2 personnel operate NDI equipment and perform NDI assessments.
- 2.4.2. Ensures visual inspections are not performed by NDI personnel unless specifically called for by technical orders.

#### 2.5. NDI Responsibilities.

- 2.5.1. Organizes, directs and manages the Wing NDI Program IAW T.O. 33B-1-1, *Nondestructive Inspection Methods, Basic Theory* and other applicable directives.
- 2.5.2. Ensures all NDI equipment required to perform NDI on assigned weapon systems and support equipment is authorized, available and operational.
- 2.5.3. Ensures NDI personnel do not make serviceability determinations of materials and components except when directed to do so by specific directives.
- 2.5.4. Ensures accurate oil analysis data is distributed to the central Air Force database weekly.
- 2.5.5. Ensures all deployable spectrometers are properly secured and protected before being deployed out of the OAP Laboratory.
- 2.5.6. Ensures all assigned spectrometers are left in standby mode when not being used except when unit is being prepared for deployment or other required movement outside the NDI/OAP facility and during transportation to new location.
- 2.5.7. Ensures all assigned oil analysis spectrometers are Joint Oil Analysis Program (JOAP) approved and certified IAW TO 33-1-37-1, *Joint Oil Analysis Program Manual*.
- 2.5.8. Requests contractor repair through the Air Force OAP Office whenever an oil analysis spectrometer cannot be repaired locally or is out of service due to maintenance for more than 24 hours.
- 2.5.9. Complies with contingency operations in TO 33-1-37-2, *Joint Oil Analysis Program Manual* when no back up oil analysis spectrometer is available locally.
- 2.5.10. Forecasts funding for personnel to attend training courses and participate in applicable NDI conferences or working groups.
- 2.5.11. Performs and documents supervisory review via OAP software daily. Ensures accuracy of lab recommendations, reasons for sample, oil added, tail number, etc.
- 2.5.12. Ensures quarterly SEM/EDX reports are submitted to Air Force OAP office.
- 2.5.13. Ensures no unauthorized modifications to USAF OAP or SEM/EDX (software/hardware) is conducted. Costs associated with repair of unauthorized modification will be levied on the owning unit.
- 2.5.14. Ensures a backup of internal and external Windows/DOS OILM and AETC software on a weekly basis.

#### Chapter 3

## AIRCRAFT STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE AND CORROSION CONTROL PROGRAM

- **3.1. Purpose of Aircraft Structural Maintenance (ASM) (AFSC 2A7X3).** Supports aircraft structural maintenance and corrosion control program for aircraft, aerospace ground equipment (AGE), communications, electronics and meteorological (CEM) equipment and other end items relative to the functions of the command.
  - 3.1.1. Aircraft Structural Maintenance incorporates design, repair and fabrication of metal, fiberglass, plastic and composite structures for aircraft. Corrosion identification, prevention and treatment procedures as well as removal and application of Radar Absorbing Material (RAM) are also integral components of ASM. All aspects of ASM are geared towards maintaining the structural integrity and corrosion control at the organizational and intermediate levels.
  - 3.1.2. Corrosion control programs shall be oriented towards the prevention and control of corrosion through frequent cleaning, corrosion inspection and early detection, application of proper treatment materials/procedures, and maintenance painting. Frequent cleaning has proven to be the most effective means of preventing corrosion. Maintenance painting is defined for field purposes as spot painting, sectionalized painting, and complete scuff sand and overcoat.

## 3.2. MAJCOM/A4M Responsibilities.

- 3.2.1. Manage the command's ASM and corrosion control program.
- 3.2.2. Designate a senior NCO to manage the program and perform the following responsibilities:
  - 3.2.2.1. Manage the ASM career field for command.
  - 3.2.2.2. Represent command at assigned weapon systems corrosion prevention advisory boards (CPAB), AF/DoD corrosion conferences and field surveys.
  - 3.2.2.3. Approve all intra-command ASM TDY manning assistance requests.
  - 3.2.2.4. Develop and coordinates command policy and procedures for ASM functions.
  - 3.2.2.5. Represent command at 2A7X3 utilization and training workshops.
  - 3.2.2.6. Forecast and ensure scheduling of 2A7X3 supplemental training.
  - 3.2.2.7. MAJCOM Corrosion Program Manager will ensure routing of wash waiver requests to system program director (SPD) engineer. The SPD engineer has final approval authority for waiver requests.

#### 3.3. Wing Commander Responsibilities.

3.3.1. Approves all aircraft paint waiver requests before submittal to ACC/A4M.

#### 3.4. Maintenance Group Commander Responsibilities.

3.4.1. Establishes and maintains an effective corrosion prevention and control program.

- 3.4.2. Ensures adequate facilities, equipment, material, and funding are available to support a sound corrosion prevention and control program. The minimum requirements are:
  - 3.4.2.1. Provide a facility for preparation and maintenance painting of assigned aircraft on a year round basis IAW Unified Facilities Criteria (UFC) 4-211-02NF, *Corrosion Control and Paint Finishing Hangars*.
  - 3.4.2.2. Ensures requirements outlined in AFI 32-1024, *Standard Facility Requirements*, are met for support equipment (SE) and aircraft small parts. This capability can be incorporated in the aircraft corrosion control facility if space permits.
  - 3.4.2.3. Ensures facility meets local, state, and federal Environmental Protection Agency requirements in conjunction with current National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP).
- 3.4.3. Ensures adequate wash rack facilities are available to wash aircraft on a year round basis. This requirement can be satisfied with any one or more of the following:
  - 3.4.3.1. A specially designed corrosion control facility completely enclosed, heated with environmentally controlled ventilation and waste disposal systems, and equipped with all utilities necessary for accomplishing all facets of aircraft corrosion control.
  - 3.4.3.2. An outside wash rack may be used on an interim basis when weather conditions permit and when approved by Base Civil Engineer.
- 3.4.4. Determines organization responsible for management of aircraft wash facility.
- 3.4.5. Ensures frequency of wash/rinse cycles are maintained IAW T.O. 1-1-691, *Cleaning And Corrosion Prevention And Control, Aerospace And Non-Aerospace Equipment*, and revised as necessary based on changes in mission and location.
  - 3.4.5.1. Report any aircraft wash overdue with official memo to MAJCOM Corrosion Program Manager. Within this memo include aircraft tail number(s), date of last wash, reason for overdue condition, and corrective action taken to prevent further occurrences.
  - 3.4.5.2. Ensures Plans, Scheduling & Documentation section(s) schedule aircraft washes through Integrated Maintenance Data System (IMDS) or by other automated means.
- 3.4.6. Ensures Quality Assurance (QA) adequately evaluates corrosion control programs through inspection and maintenance follow-up evaluations.
  - 3.4.6.1. Ensures QA evaluates a minimum of 10% of all aircraft washes.
- 3.4.7. Appoints by letter, a Wing Corrosion Program Manager (2A773) to ensure all facets of corrosion prevention are being conducted throughout the wing.

#### 3.5. Wing Corrosion Program Manager Responsibilities.

- 3.5.1. The wing corrosion program manager is the wing clearinghouse for all aircraft and support equipment cleaning, corrosion and organic coatings related information and taskings.
- 3.5.2. Ensures creation of a wing supplement to this instruction to include, but not limited to the following:
  - 3.5.2.1. Local corrosion prevention training requirements.

- 3.5.2.2. NAF, Wing, OG and Fighter/Bomber Squadron commander aircraft designation and marking requirements of identified aircraft.
- 3.5.2.3. Local unit marking requirements e.g., tail stripes, crew names, etc.
- 3.5.2.4. Aircraft paint identification placard size, shape and information requirements.
- 3.5.3. Ensures corrosion inspections are accomplished during each phase/periodic inspection for aircraft and equipment assigned.
- 3.5.4. Ensures corrosion prevention and treatment procedures are performed within technical order requirements.
- 3.5.5. Ensures only authorized chemical cleaning materials and corrosion removal methods are used and Material Safety Data Sheets are available for each chemical used.
- 3.5.6. Ensures required equipment is obtained for an efficient and effective corrosion prevention and control program.
- 3.5.7. Designates 7-level ASM/Low Observable (LO) ASM technician(s) to train aircraft maintenance (AMX) squadron wash crew supervisors in all aspects of aircraft wash and develop a local training checklist. A local course code will need to be established in IMDS or equivalent automated system to document personnel trained.
  - 3.5.7.1. Personnel will be trained prior to them taking receipt/custody of wash rack facilities and equipment.
  - 3.5.7.2. Due to the uniqueness of acft wash facilities and corrosion control programs at each base, training will be required for newly assigned personnel. Previous training from a losing base is not allowed to carry over.
  - 3.5.7.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) The Wing Corrosion Program Manager (WCPM) or designated fully qualified Aircraft Structural Maintenance (ASM) 7-level will provide documented aircraft wash crew supervisor training, course code 1269. The wash crew supervisor training is a one-time requirement. Aircraft wash procedures/training is found at: https://367trss.hill.af.mil/catalog/course%20search.aspx.
- 3.5.8. Provides a current copy of the Qualified Products Listing (QPL) for Mil-Spec approved cleaners for assigned aircraft and equipment every six months to unit supervision, aircraft wash rack, support sections, EMS, CMS, MXS, and AMXS Flight Chiefs. The QPL or the Qualified Products Database (QPD) identifies qualified products within a particular Mil-Spec and are the only approved materials for use on Air Force aircraft, subsystems and support equipment. Products not listed on the QPL or QPD are unauthorized and will not be used unless specific guidance is given in weapon system specific technical data. Information and search capabilities for QPLs and QPD may be located at the Air Force Corrosion Prevention and Control Office web site: <a href="https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-af/USAF/ep/globalTab.do?channelPageId=s6925EC133EFE0FB5E044080020E329A9&programId=t6925EC2E51B20FB5E044080020E329A9">https://assist.daps.dla.mil/quicksearch/</a>
- 3.5.9. Enforces the use of approved coating materials and cleaning compounds as determined by T.O., QPL or QPD.
- 3.5.10. Reports corrosion program deficiencies through proper channels, as required.

- 3.5.11. Ensures corrosion related training courses (initial and refresher) are administered as intended by the MAJCOM or AFI. Local corrosion training programs may be initiated as deemed necessary due to local corrosive environment, weapon system corrosion susceptibility and forward operating environments.
- 3.5.12. Determines the adequacy of corrosion control work cards for assigned equipment based on mission and location.
- 3.5.13. (**PACAF**) Actively participates in quarterly Corrosion Control Working Group (CCWG) meetings IAW HQ PACAF CCWG Charter.

#### 3.6. Aircraft Structural Maintenance (ASM) Responsibilities.

- 3.6.1. Ensures no other maintenance is accomplished on the aircraft, equipment or within the environmentally controlled/cordon off areas during corrosion prevention treatment when hazardous/toxic materials are in use, which requires the use of specialized personal protective equipment.
- 3.6.2. Forecasts funding to attend and participate in applicable Corrosion Prevention Advisory Board (CPAB) and other corrosion/structural related programs/meetings.
- 3.6.3. Submits CPAB agenda items to MAJCOM ASM Manager.
  - 3.6.3.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) All Corrosion Prevention Advisory Boards (CPABs) agenda items will be submitted to HQ USAFE/A4MA.
- 3.6.4. Serves as the ASM technical assistant to the Group Commanders and command ASM Manager.
- 3.6.5. Requests depot assistance IAW T.O. 00-25-107, *Maintenance Assistance*, through the MAJCOM weapon system manager with an information copy to MAJCOM/A4M when corrosion treatment/repairs exceed technical order limits.
- 3.6.6. (Holloman AFB) In coordination with flight and MXS supervision, maintain an ASM personnel rotation between 49 MMS (BEAR BASE) and 49 MXS. This helps maintain aircraft structural repair proficiency and upgrade training.
- 3.6.7. Ensures bioenvironmental conducts initial baseline comprehensive evaluations and provide annual follow-ups to determine adequacy of work center controls for occupational hazards. Briefs all structural personnel and maintains records of this survey in the work center.
- 3.6.8. Responsible for wash rack facilities: Appoints a qualified 2A753/2A755 or higher technician, or civilian equivalent, as the wash rack facility manager. This manager will ensure proper cleaning materials, equipment, and supplies are maintained in accordance with applicable technical orders, AFI 21-101 and MAJCOM supplements.
  - 3.6.8.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures the wash rack facility manager notifies each aircraft maintenance unit (AMU) and/or helicopter maintenance unit (HMU) of shortfalls or deficiencies of cleaning materials, equipment, and supplies that may impact the aircraft maintenance schedule, and coordinate through the AMU/HMU Plans and Scheduling (P&S) for rescheduling of washes delayed due to equipment or material shortages.

#### 3.7. Maintenance Operations Officer Responsibilities.

- 3.7.1. Ensures frequency-of-cleaning/wash cycles are established for assigned aircraft to maximize corrosion prevention. Monitors aircraft wash schedules to eliminate overdue washes. In no case will unit wash cycles exceed the maximum wash cycles listed in T.O. 1-1-691.
  - 3.7.1.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures each AMU/HMU P&S schedules aircraft on a 90-day wash cycle IAW TO 1-1-691 and schedules aircraft for wash within 30 days of their due date. Ensures P&S coordinates wash slots and deviations at the weekly shared resource meeting. Exceptions: Aircraft requiring a wash to further a maintenance requirement (e.g., phase, painting, static display, or aircraft departing for extended deployments over 30 days).
- 3.7.2. Appoints an experienced/qualified wash crew supervisor, SSgt or above. This person will be trained according to paragraph 3.5.7.
  - 3.7.2.1. Ensures trained wash crew supervisors are present throughout the duration of aircraft washes.
  - 3.7.2.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures sufficient numbers of trained personnel are available to perform as wash crew supervisors and ensures the wash crew supervisor reports to the wash rack supervisor with a copy of their IMDS screen 593 showing wash crew supervisor training complete; course code 1269.
- 3.7.3. Provides a task trained and qualified aircraft wash crew, to include as a minimum, a dedicated crew chief and/or assistant dedicated crew chief and ensures availability of personnel protective equipment within the work center.
  - 3.7.3.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures ALL wash crew members complete aircraft wash training; course code 16089.
- 3.7.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures aircraft washes are conducted on a two-shift schedule: 0900-1400 and 1600-2100. In order to maintain scheduling effectiveness, aircraft are to be towed in and out of the wash rack on time. Aircraft not in place at the wash facility within 2 hours of the scheduled time may be cancelled by the wash rack facility manager to prevent schedule disruption

#### 3.8. Wash Rack Facility Manager Responsibilities.

- 3.8.1. Ensures the required number and size of fire extinguishers are available and serviceable.
- 3.8.2. Ensures grounding points are inspected and approved IAW T.O. 00-25-172.
- 3.8.3. Ensures fall protection equipment is used and maintained IAW AFOSH STD 91-100, to allow coverage of all surface areas of aircraft during washing operations.
- 3.8.4. Ensures aircraft wash rack has cleaners identified in weapon system specific technical data. When cleaning products are not listed in weapon system specific technical data, ensure at least two types of approved cleaners IAW T.O. 1-1-691 are properly used, to include proper mix ratio and the correct cleaner for each area cleaned.
- 3.8.5. Ensures wash rack facility and surrounding area is kept clean and properly maintained.

- 3.8.6. Maintains all wash rack equipment in serviceable condition, i.e., water hoses, pumps, air hoses, powered wash equipment, support equipment, etc.
- 3.8.7. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Briefs wash crew supervisors on the proper use of the hazardous spill kits located at each wash rack station and all emergency response procedures during initial wash crew supervisors training.
- 3.8.8. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Maintains an aircraft wash CTK.
- 3.8.9. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures the entire wash crew receives the pre-wash Safety Briefing, and verify a job is loaded in IMDS. The wash facility monitor and corrosion control supervisors have the authority to stop wash operations if individuals do not adhere to operational and safety standards.
- 3.8.10. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Notifies the Corrosion Control NCOIC of any discrepancies found with either wash equipment or the wash facility.
- 3.8.11. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures the proper safety equipment, personal protective equipment, and cleaning materials are available.
- 3.8.12. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Ensures the wash rack, all resources and aircraft are appropriately protected and secured when the facility is not manned in accordance with 48 FW Plan 31-101, *Integrated Defense Plan*, available from the OPR 48SFS/SF5PX. **Note:** A key to the wash rack will be available for sign-out from the Aircraft Structural Maintenance Support Section. Building, aircraft, and resource security, to include opening and lock-down of the building, will remain the responsibility of the Aircraft Structural Maintenance Section.
- 3.8.13. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Conducts a paint score inspection after aircraft wash completion, prior to towing the aircraft to a new location; documents and stores the data into a locally developed database. **Note:** If the aircraft is scored as a 3 (Fair) or 4 (Poor), contact the Corrosion Noncommissioned Officer in charge (NCOIC) to determine if it needs a touch-up or full paint prior to the aircraft leaving the facility.

## 3.9. Wash Crew Supervisor Responsibilities.

- 3.9.1. Provides daily safety briefings explaining hazards associated with wash rack operations.
- 3.9.2. Ensures wash crews are task trained.
- 3.9.3. Ensures proper safety equipment, personal protective equipment and cleaning materials are serviceable and properly used IAW AFOSH STDs 91-501 and 91-100.
- 3.9.4. Enters the requirement for wash, performs cleanliness inspection, signs the wash completion and enters the lubrication requirement in the AFTO Form 781A, *Maintenance Discrepancy and Work Document* or other electronic form of documentation.
  - 3.9.4.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures a job is loaded for the wash and corrosion inspection in IMDS as well as the AFTO Form 781A, *Maintenance Discrepancy and Work Document*. After receiving the required safety briefing, the wash team chief will take a copy of the safety brief, along with an IMDS screen 122 maintenance snapshot verifying the job is loaded in IMDS for the wash and corrosion inspection to the Aircraft Structural Maintenance Support Section in order to sign out the CTK keys.

- 3.9.5. Ensures fall protection is serviceable and inspected prior to use, reference AFOSH Stds 91-501 and 91-100.
  - 3.9.5.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures the aircraft is prepared for wash, and that a full wash team (three people) is assembled before placing aircraft in the wash rack.
  - 3.9.5.2. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Verify the aircraft was hangared properly IAW 48 MXG Instruction 21-115, *F-15 Towing and Hangaring Procedures*.
- 3.9.6. Ensures aircraft are properly grounded IAW T.O. 00-25-172.
- 3.9.7. Inspects all wash rack equipment for serviceability, i.e., water hoses, pumps, air hoses, powered wash equipment, support equipment, etc prior to use.
- 3.9.8. Ensures wash rack area is clean after use.
  - 3.9.8.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) After aircraft and facility are cleaned, the wash team super will inventory the wash rack CTK. Once all tools are accounted for, the wash team super will request a corrosion control and cleanliness inspection from the Aircraft Structural Maintenance section.
  - 3.9.8.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) If desired, a post wash lube may be accomplished in the wash rack hangar once the CTK has been secured.
  - 3.9.8.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) At no time may an aircraft be moved from the wash rack until the CTK is secure and the inspection has been completed.
  - 3.9.8.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Close out the aircraft wash using IMDS.

## 3.10. Quality Assurance Responsibilities.

- 3.10.1. Adequately evaluate at least 10% of wash rack operations through over-the-shoulder inspections and maintenance follow-up evaluations.
- 3.10.2. Monitors the use of approved coating materials and cleaning compounds as determined by T.O. and QPL or QPD for cleaning compounds and AFRL/MLSA for coating materials.

#### 3.11. Aerospace Ground Equipment (AGE) Flight Chief Responsibilities.

- 3.11.1. Ensures an effective corrosion control program is established and enforced for assigned equipment.
- 3.11.2. Develops and implements a tracking system to prioritize complete paint for AGE equipment based on a "worst is first" principle.
  - 3.11.2.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Maintain an effective corrosion control program for assigned equipment.
  - 3.11.2.2. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Ensures an annual ground support equipment survey is conducted to establish paint priorities. Upon completion of this survey, report results to 48 EMS Corrosion Control. Score each item with the equipment paint codes that are based on the unit's corrosion control and prevention program as designated in Wing Corrosion Program.
  - 3.11.2.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures an individual will attend the weekly shared resources meeting to schedule AGE paint days.

- 3.11.2.4. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Ensures support equipment is prepared for paint to include decal removal, sanding/media blasting, masking and washing.
- 3.11.2.5. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Ensures support equipment is in place by 0700 on the scheduled day.
- 3.11.2.6. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensures support equipment personnel reapply markings and decals after painting.
- 3.11.2.7. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Emphasize corrosion detection and treatment during periodic inspections to minimize corrosion damage and the equipment downtime it generates. Schedule equipment for complete re-paint when the combined time or manhours requirement for masking, sanding, and cleaning for sectional over-coating exceeds 75 percent of the man-hours required to accomplish complete stripping/repainting of unit. When equipment requires a complete repaint, the owning flight will sand or bead-blast the equipment, solvent wipe equipment after prep work, apply masking materials prior to coating, and de-mask once the equipment has been painted. Corrosion Control personnel will inspect for effective paint removal/prep prior to application if coatings.
- 3.11.2.8. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensure equipment is washed during periodic inspections every 180 days. Additional washes will be directed by the owning flight superintendent as needed to maintain acceptable standards of cleanliness. Conduct a paint score inspection after equipment wash completion; documents and stores the data into a locally developed database.
- 3.11.3. Ensures IMDS or Autonomic Logistics Information System (ALIS) is used to schedule and document AGE painting.
- 3.11.4. Ensures maintenance, servicing and inspection activity personnel are oriented to corrosion prevention and control.
- 3.11.5. Ensures powered and non-powered AGE is cleaned, thoroughly inspected, and touched-up as necessary during each periodic inspection with the appropriate, approved materials.
- 3.11.6. Enforces the proper use of approved cleaning compounds IAW T.O. 35-1-3 *Corrosion Prevention and Control, Cleaning, Painting and Marking of USAF Support Equipment (SE)*, and the QPL or QPD. Obtains QPLs from wing corrosion control manager every 6 months and uses them in conjunction with applicable T.O.s to verify all compounds on-hand are authorized for use on designated equipment.
- 3.11.7. Schedules work beyond AGE work center capability into the appropriate fabrication work center.
- 3.11.8. Ensures tone-down procedures are followed as described in paragraph 3.15.1 of this instruction.

## 3.12. Maintenance Training Flight Chief Responsibilities.

3.12.1. Provides all maintenance personnel that come in contact with aircraft and aerospace ground equipment, regardless of AFSC (excluding 2A7X3 and 2A7X5), with corrosion prevention/control initial and recurring training. Ensures newly assigned personnel receive

initial corrosion prevention/control training during the maintenance orientation program . Ensures recurring training is conducted annually.

- 3.12.2. Units are encouraged to develop and implement unit specific corrosion prevention and control training program in addition to requirements outlined in paragraph 3.12.1 of this instruction. This program may be necessary due to local environmental severity, weapon system susceptibility and/or mission needs at other operating locations.
  - 3.12.2.1. Training curriculum shall include but not be limited to:
    - 3.12.2.1.1. Corrosion identification procedures and techniques.
    - 3.12.2.1.2. Familiarization with aircraft/equipment corrosion prone areas.
    - 3.12.2.1.3. Reporting and documentation procedures for identified corrosion.
    - 3.12.2.1.4. Removal and treatment of minor corrosion.
    - 3.12.2.1.5. Proper use of cleaning compounds.

## 3.13. Unit Corrosion Control Program Requirements.

- 3.13.1. Owning activities shall wash and clean their aircraft and support equipment.
  - 3.13.1.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) All support equipment flights/sections (Munitions, Propulsion, Aerospace Ground Equipment) will inherit the paint score training responsibility. The course code for initial training is 125004. The course code for refresher training is 11029. Upon request, the Corrosion Control will give all sections the necessary hands-on training to perform paint scores, corrosion detection/prevention and cleaning IAW TO's 35-1-3, Corrosion Prevention and Control, Cleaning, Painting, and Marking of USAF Support Equipment (SE) and 1-1-691, Aircraft Weapons Systems-Cleaning and Corrosion Control.
  - 3.13.1.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Each owning support equipment flight/section will assess/score equipment paint condition during every periodic inspection at a minimum. This includes RAF Lakenheath moderate climate wash cycle, of every 180 days maximum.
  - 3.13.1.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Section supervisors will ensure a complete list of unit paint scores is forwarded to the Wing Corrosion Manager each quarter. For successful SE corrosion control all effected flight/sections must have the following TOs in their library (ATOMS): TO 1-1-691, Aircraft Weapons Systems-Cleaning and Corrosion Control and TO 35-1-3, Corrosion Prevention and Control, Cleaning, Painting, and Marking of USAF Support Equipment (SE).
  - 3.13.1.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Each owning support equipment flight/section will perform the following preparations before the equipment will be accepted by the Corrosion Control Section:
  - 3.13.1.5. (Added-LAKENHEATH) All support equipment to be refurbished, will be washed/cleaned prior to delivery to the Corrosion Control section.
  - 3.13.1.6. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Preparation for non-powered equipment remove: bumper pads, tie down straps, webbing, hoses, form bags (if exposed), mobility placards,

- stickers/stencils, and any other items that would prevent proper sanding or painting of equipment.
- 3.13.1.7. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Preparation for powered equipment remove: Power cables, MC-7 and air conditioner heater ducts, hydraulic test stand, bomb-lift seat cushions, mobility placards, stickers/stencils, and disconnect batteries(s) (after delivery). Remove any other items that would prevent proper sanding or painting of equipment. Hydraulic and fuel leaks will not be permitted, and the unit will be refused.
- 3.13.1.8. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Each effected SE section (Munitions, Propulsion, Aerospace Ground Equipment) must assemble a corrosion team, preferably a two-person team for timeliness of equipment turnaround. These corrosion teams will be responsible for the cleaning, complete sanding, wiping down, and masking of their SE units prior to paint. This applies to all SE units and their owning organization.
- 3.13.1.9. (Added-LAKENHEATH) During aircraft paint weeks, corrosion will allot four support equipment units in the back shop. These items will consist of two large and two small units. Priority will be given to the section(s) with the most severe paint score, inspection due or inspection overdue. During non-aircraft paint weeks, five units will be allotted into the main paint booth along with the standard four in the back shop. The five units in the main booth will consist of three large and two small units. Priority will be given to the section(s) with the most severe score, inspection due or inspection overdue.
- 3.13.1.10. (Added-LAKENHEATH) All support equipment scheduled for paint will be delivered to Corrosion Control NLT 1500 on the Friday prior to the scheduled paint week. Failure to prepare and deliver all scheduled units on time will result in a delay or refusal of item(s).
- 3.13.1.11. (Added-LAKENHEATH) All aircraft engine test cell adapter kits require 30–90 day non-destructive inspections for cracked welds. To prevent excessive maintenance for frequent inspections, these welded areas will only require application of no more than 4 mils of epoxy primer MIL-P-23377 after inspection. This will facilitate future inspections without continued stripping of the welded areas. This procedure applies to the following parts: 103-2010-1, Front mount assembly and 103-2020-1, Rear mount assembly.
- 3.13.2. Wing Corrosion Program Manager and/or ASM personnel will assist the owning activities in their corrosion prevention efforts by accomplishing scheduled corrosion inspections on aircraft, support and test equipment.
  - 3.13.2.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) 180 day corrosion inspection for support equipment; refer to applicable TO 35-1-3, Corrosion Prevention and Control, Cleaning, Painting, and Marking of USAF Support Equipment (SE), Chapter 2 and 90 day corrosion inspection for all aircraft, refer to TO 1-1-691, Cleaning and Corrosion Prevention and Control, Aerospace and Non-Aerospace Equipment, Chapter 3.
  - 3.13.2.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) All owning activities will select a point of contact and utilize the support equipment corrosion control program and associated corrosion and wash inspection score sheets in the Wing Corrosion Program.

- 3.13.3. Only Aircraft Structural Maintenance personnel shall perform aircraft inspection work cards specified for accomplishment by Aircraft Structural Maintenance in the -6 T.O. or within ALIS on the F-35. All maintenance personnel, regardless of Air Force Specialty Code (AFSC), shall examine each part removed and inspect the inside of all exposed areas for corrosion. Avionics maintenance personnel shall inspect the electrical connectors of avionics line replaceable units (LRUs), inside equipment drawers, and so forth, for corrosion. All deficiencies noted during these inspections will be appropriately documented. When corrosion discrepancies are discovered affecting aircraft structural integrity; safety of flight/operation or are beyond the using organization's capability to evaluate/repair, an aircraft structural maintenance specialist will be requested.
- 3.13.4. Maintenance personnel who remove/install aircraft panels and doors must ensure seals are serviceable and sealant applied to panels and fasteners as specified in applicable aircraft technical orders.
- 3.13.5. Maintenance personnel shall report all corrosion deficiencies through the IMDS IAW 00-20 series technical orders or ALIS. Accurate documentation of maintenance actions in support of the corrosion control program is essential to support future manning, equipment requirements, training and parts/material procurement requirements.
- 3.13.6. (**PACAF**) : Participate in HQ PACAF Corrosion Control Working Group (CCWG) as required.
- **3.14. Aerospace Vehicle Coating and Marking Requirements.** This section provides guidance for applying command approved, non-USAF standard aircraft coatings and markings as authorized in T.O. 1-1-8 *Application And Removal of Organic Coatings, Aerospace And Non-Aerospace Equipment.* Paint schemes/configurations and USAF standard aircraft markings will be applied in accordance with T.O. 1-1-8 and the applicable aircraft technical order.
  - 3.14.1. Advanced Performance Coating (APC), is the preferred topcoat unless mandated otherwise IAW weapon system specific technical data. This preferred coating system includes the appropriate Mil-PRF-23377 primer for bare metal uncovered during preparation, non-chromated tie coat material and an approved APC topcoat.
  - 3.14.2. Coating System Scoring and Maintenance. All units are required to score aircraft coating systems to determine frequency of topcoat application. Fighter units should plan to scuff sand and overcoat the entire aircraft between depot cycles as necessary. Fighter aircraft may require complete overcoat at 36 months or some may only require touch-up. All aircraft painting will be scheduled on a worst first basis to maintain coating system integrity and aircraft appearance. All aircraft coating systems except F-22, F-35, and RQ-4 will be evaluated/rated every 6 months for appearance/coating system integrity using applicable technical data or a locally developed system. The exterior of aircraft must be clean prior to paint scoring. Supervisors will use ratings to determine corrosion treatment/paint scheduling priority. Units are required to adopt maintenance-painting techniques (i.e., spot painting and sectionalized painting as stated in T.O. 1-1-8) to maintain aircraft corrosion protection and appearance between overcoats. Partial painting "sections" of the aircraft will help reduce the effects of mottling and mismatch. Units should rotate commander's aircraft to prevent excessive paint build-up from too frequent over coating. Fully over coated aircraft will be documented in IMDS and the individual aircraft AFTO Form 95, Significant Historical Data,

for tracking purposes. Large aircraft units should rely on spot maintenance painting and sectionalized painting between depot cycles to maintain the coating system integrity.

- 3.14.2.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Aircraft Condition Paint Scoring.
  - 3.14.2.1.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) 48 EMS/MXMFA will rate the condition of the aircraft after each 90-day wash is completed to prioritize aircraft scheduled to receive touch-up and complete paints on a worst-first bases. Use guidance in the applicable TO 1H-60(H)G-23 System Peculiar Corrosion Control, TO 1F-15A-23 System Peculiar Corrosion Control, to score aircraft.
  - 3.14.2.1.2. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Condition 0—No maintenance painting required
  - 3.14.2.1.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Condition 1--Little or no touch-up required.
  - 3.14.2.1.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Condition 2--Minor touch ups required; normally scheduled for 3days.
  - 3.14.2.1.5. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Condition 3--Major touch-ups required; normally scheduled for 5 days.
  - 3.14.2.1.6. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Condition 4--Full repaint required, scheduled for 10 duty days; 12 duty days for all flagship aircraft. These aircraft have scheduling priority for painting at the corrosion control facility.
- 3.14.2.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Aircraft Paint Enhancement Program. AMU/HMU personnel will increase emphasis on thorough aircraft washing, crew chief "wipe downs", spot cleanse affected surfaces, and ensure aircraft areas are properly cleaned after work is completed to maintain and improve appearance. Reference the QPL for a list of Air Force approved cleaners and lubricants for aerospace equipment.
  - 3.14.2.2.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) AMU/HMU personnel will protect removed panels from scratches and damage.
  - 3.14.2.2.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) AMU/HMU personnel will coordinate with 48 EMS Corrosion Control section prior to installing bare metal, primed or mismatched colored panels or flight control surfaces. Large parts, or parts requiring a camouflage pattern, may require installation prior to paint.
- 3.14.2.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Aircraft Paint Scheduling: Aircraft paint scheduling will be conducted at the weekly shared resource meeting and will develop a flow plan to ensure condition 4 aircraft are painted in a timely manner. Flow plan will take into consideration the timing of major phases, programmed depot maintenance (PDM) schedules, and other factors affecting scheduling aircraft for paint. The structural maintenance superintendent or their designated representative, AMU/HMU schedulers, AGE scheduler, and the 48th Operations Support Squadron, Maintenance Scheduling (48 OSS/OSOY) representative will attend the shared resource meeting. The results of the shared resource meeting will be published in the weekly flying and maintenance schedule.
  - 3.14.2.3.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) For scheduling purposes, aircraft downtime required for a complete preparation and overcoat is as follows:

- 3.14.2.3.2. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) F-15C/D/E aircraft and HH-60 Helicopters: 10 days (an additional 2 days are required for 48 FW/OG or Squadron Commander's aircraft).
- 3.14.2.3.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Cure time prior to flight for polyurethane paint is 72 hours from last application, per TO 1-1-8 Application and Removal of Organic Coatings, Aerospace and Non-Aerospace Equipment, cure time will be longer if the temperature inside the hangar drops below 60 degrees Fahrenheit, depending on cure progression.
- 3.14.2.3.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Aircraft scheduled for PDM within 12 months will not have a complete repaint performed regardless of the paint score condition; only minor maintenance paint touch-up on these aircraft will be accomplished to prevent corrosion.
- 3.14.2.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Prior to aircraft paint enhancement procedures, each AMU/HMU will:
  - 3.14.2.4.1. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Wash aircraft after last flight, or any major maintenance, prior to scheduled corrosion treatment/paint; (i.e., phase inspection, maintenance paint).
  - 3.14.2.4.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensure aircraft is defueled, safe for hangar entry and remove external stores (e.g., pylons and launchers), including F-15E conformal fuel tanks (CFTs), battery is disconnected and aircraft electrical systems are de-energized prior to being towed into the corrosion control facility. CFTs and external fuel tanks must be thoroughly drained to prevent spills/leakage and center of gravity problems during sand/paint operations.
  - 3.14.2.4.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Inspect aircraft after wash to highlight areas requiring further cleaning or maintenance for fuel and hydraulic leaks. Repair leaks to the maximum extent possible. Leaks that cannot be stopped will have preventive measures taken to prevent the leak from reaching aircraft external surfaces.
  - 3.14.2.4.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensure aircraft are in the Corrosion Control facility no later than (NLT) 0700 on the first day of a scheduled paint; also ensure all open cannon plugs are capped off and secured, and the aircraft/conformal fuel tanks are grounded. If an F-15 aircraft is to receive a full re-coat the aircraft will be jacked and landing gear retracted. After the aircraft is hangared, there will be no further maintenance performed until painting is complete and the aircraft is released back to the owning AMU/HMU.
  - 3.14.2.4.5. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Provide a full set of uninstalled equipment, including travel pods, fuel tanks, aircraft boarding ladders, and pylons to the corrosion control facility on the first day of the scheduled paint. All equipment must be clean and in place NLT 1600 on the first day of paint. The NCOIC of the Corrosion Control Section will determine if equipment arriving after this time will be turned away. Ensure an AFTO Form 7, and a printout of IMDS screen 122 accompanies all associated equipment.

- 3.14.2.4.6. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensure dummy plugs are installed in chaff and flare and external fuel tank connectors and openings.
- 3.14.2.4.7. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) Aircraft must have: speed brake lowered, tail hook raised and stowed being towed into the wash rack and/or paint facility. The canopy must be lowered and locked after being positioned in the wash rack/paint facility. The CFTs may be left on for touch-ups and local markings unless otherwise specified by the NCOIC of corrosion control.
- 3.14.2.4.8. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Ensure the dedicated crew chief loads the aircrew, crew chief and one assistant crew chief names in IMDS and spelled correctly; no nicknames or call signs are authorized. The 48 EMS Corrosion Control section will manufacture the vinyl names and the dedicated crew chief will install them.
- 3.14.3. **Aircraft Markings.** Markings will be applied to aircraft as authorized by specific aircraft T.O.s, T.O. 1-1-8, and this instruction. Aircraft markings not previously approved, necessitates a waiver from HQ ACC/A4M. Aircraft contracted for repaint at depot facilities will be marked IAW specific aircraft T.O.s, T.O. 1-1-8, this instruction, and applicable waivers currently approved. MAJCOM/A4M is the point of contact for aircraft painting and markings. ACC/A4M is the point of contact for all AF Unit Identifier markings. This listing can be found in Attachment 3 of this instruction. All aircraft markings and basic paint schemes will be maintained intact, legible and distinct in color. Command standardization of markings by mission design series (MDS) is of primary concern.
  - 3.14.3.1. **Stenciling.** Markings may be applied using stencils. Refer to T.O. 1-1-8 to determine the compatibility of stenciling paints, paint finishes and decal applications.
    - 3.14.3.1.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Only Aircraft Structural Maintenance personnel will apply markings for the 48 FW Commander's aircraft, to include the application of aerial victory markings. Crew names are the exception, as they are issued from Corrosion Control to the AMU/HMU in vinyl letters for application to the aircraft.
  - 3.14.3.2. **Command Insignia.** The application of the command insignia on aircraft is mandatory. The insignia will be applied to both sides of the vertical stabilizer unless otherwise specified. Fighter type aircraft will use either full color or subdued insignias as specified in **Attachment 2**. Large aircraft (B-1, C-130, etc) will use subdued insignias unless otherwise specified in **Attachment 2**. Size and location of command insignias by MDS are specified in **Attachment 2**. For Total Force Integration (TFI) locations under classic association, the existing command insignia and location, used by the host active duty wing will remain on partnering ANG or AFRC designated aircraft.
    - 3.14.3.2.1. (**Added-LAKENHEATH**) USAFE Command Insignia: F-15E, F-15C/D and HH-60 will be painted gunship black (37038).
  - 3.14.3.3. **Organizational Insignia.** The application of wing insignia is mandatory. The insignia will be applied to both sides of the forward fuselage. The operational squadron insignia may be applied on the left side in place of the wing insignia. Wing and squadron insignias will be the same color scheme as the command insignia, i.e., subdued for large aircraft and full color or subdued for fighter aircraft unless otherwise specified in

- **Attachment 2**. For TFI locations under classic association, the host active duty Wing Commander may authorize specific aircraft to have organization insignia changes. If active duty organizational insignias continue to be used on associate unit aircraft, the size and location may be altered from **Attachment 2**.
  - 3.14.3.3.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Wing and squadron insignias will be the same color scheme as the command insignia. Exception: 48 FW and 48 OG Commanders' aircraft will have highlighted squadron patches applied to the left CFT and a highlighted 48 FW patch applied to the right CFT.
- 3.14.3.4. **Distinctive Unit Identifier Marking**. The application of the unit identifier is mandatory for all CAF aircraft unless otherwise directed. ACC/A4M is the office of primary responsibility (OPR) for the assignment of unit designators. The primary factor used to determine appointment of unit identifier is the aircraft/unit assignment location. T.O. 1-1-8 or the applicable aircraft T.O. will provide color restrictions for the unit identifier. The unit identifier will be applied in accordance with guidelines in **Attachment 2** of this instruction. For Total Force Integration (TFI) locations under classic association, the existing distinctive unit identifier and location will remain on partnering ANG or AFRC designated aircraft.
  - 3.14.3.4.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) F-15E. 48 FW patch and Squadron patch. The 48 FW patch is to be 18 inches tall centered between the first and second vertical seam and 4.5 inches under the first horizontal seam located on the right CFT. The Squadron patch is to be 18 inches tall Centered between the first and second vertical seam and 4.5 inches under the first horizontal seam located on the left CFT.
  - 3.14.3.4.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) F-15C/D: 48 FW patch and Squadron patch. The 48 FW patch is to be 18 inches tall Centered between the first and second vertical seam and 4.5 inches under the first horizontal seam located on the right inlet. The Squadron patch is to be 18 inches tall Centered between the first and second vertical seam and 4.5 inches under the first horizontal seam located on the left inlet.
- 3.14.3.5. **Tail Stripe**. Tail stripes are applied as a wing option, used to identify aircraft operation squadrons. Tail stripes on F-35 aircraft are not authorized. Each operations squadron will have a tail stripe unique to that squadron. The use of the same tail stripe by two or more squadrons within a wing is not permitted. The tail stripe will be applied at the upper portion of the vertical stabilizer, and must be in the form of a straight stripe. The width will not exceed 9 inches on fighter and small reconnaissance type aircraft, 15 inches on large aircraft. The stripe may be any color or pattern, and may contain a logo. On aircraft bearing the American Flag, the tail stripe must be solid in color and will not contain any logo, name, or lettering. On aircraft with multiple vertical stabilizers, the tail stripe may be of either a wrap-around style on both vertical stabilizers or applied to the outboard sides of each vertical stabilizer. Units will not repaint tail flashes/stripes during deployed operations. Once deployed, aircraft will retain their original paint configurations, unless otherwise directed by AFCENT/CC.
  - 3.14.3.5.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Tail Flash for F-15E aircraft will have a 6 inch tail flash composed of a 4 inch center stripe painted in the AMU's color (492-Blue 15102, or 494-Red 11136), with a 1 inch white (17925) stripe located above and below the AMU's color. F-15C/D aircraft will have a 6 inch tail flash composed of a

- 4 inch stripe painted in black (17038), with a 1 inch yellow (13538) stripe located above and below the black stripe see Attachment 9 (Added). The stripes will be placed under the bottom edge of "the bullets" to extend down 6 inches and applied to both the inboard and outboard sides of the vertical stabilizers.
- 3.14.3.5.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) HH-60 helicopter will have a 4 inch flash located on the aft torque box extending below the top edge and applied to both sides of the tail pylon. It will consist of a 0.5 inch black (37038) border located above and below the center stripe. The flash will start with a silhouette of England inside a circle painted black (37038) with the rest of the flash extending to the aft edge of the torque box.
- 3.14.3.6. Aircrew And Crew Chief Names. Aircrew and crew chief/assistant names must be applied to all command aircraft, but must be removed prior to deployment from home station in direct combat zones or when participating in contingencies that may subject aircraft to hostile fire abroad. Application of nicknames, punctuation, and/or call signs is not permitted. Style and size of letters are a unit option but will not exceed 3 inches in height. All aircraft in the wing will be standard with the exception of the designated Commander's aircraft, which may have different lettering but will not exceed 3 inches in height. A background block for pilot/crew chief names may be used. The block should be in contrasting color to the section of the aircraft where applied. To further an MDS theme, block may be preceded by a design depicting the MDS i.e., F-15 eagle head, F-16 falcon head, etc. The name block should give a subdued appearance and may be other than rectangular in shape.
  - 3.14.3.6.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Aircrew and Crew Chief names on F-15 aircraft will be made in Zapf Chan Bold font; capitalized, 2 inches in height, with a slant of either 25/-25 25 and a forced length of 28 inches. Use the 25 slant for left side of the aircraft only and the -25 for the right side of the aircraft only. Names will be manufactured from flat black vinyl (C51538) for F-15C/D/E aircraft.
  - 3.14.3.6.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) F-15E Name Block: F-15E eagle head and the 1 inch border of the name block will be painted gunship black (37038). The name block will consist of a 44 inch x 12 inch "eagle head" block with the name portion being 34 inches x 10 inches with a 1 inch border. The name block will be placed below the front left windscreen for the Pilot and WSO names. The tip of the beak will be 3 inches aft of panel 3L and the base of the block will be 10 inches up from panel 6L. An "eagle head" block of the same dimensions will be applied on the right side in the same locations for the DCC and ADCC names. For Commanders' jets, the inside portion of the eagle head will be painted 36270, the name block will remain 36118, and the black border will have a 0.5 inch highlight painted in the middle of it around the entire border.
  - 3.14.3.6.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) F-15C/D Name Block: The F-15C/D name block and eagle head size, style and aircraft placement will be identical to the F-15E. The inside of the eagle head will be painted 36251, the outline of the eagle head will be painted black. The 1 inch border of the crew block will be painted 36251. For F-15C/D Commander's Jet: The 1 inch 36251 border will have a 0.5 inch black highlight painted in the middle, around the entire border.

- 3.14.3.6.4. (Added-LAKENHEATH) HH-60 Name Block: HH-60 helicopter crew names will be Military Block font, 2.75 inches in height, with a forced length of 18 inches, centered in the name blocks and manufactured from flat black vinyl (C51538). Nicknames and call signs are not authorized. Pilot/Co-pilot Name Blocks: The blocks will be located on both main doors 1 inch below and centered on both main doors windows. They will be 5 inches x 20 inches inside dimensions with a 0.5 inch border, painted gunship black (37038). DCC/ADCC Name Blocks: The blocks will be located on both crew doors 4 inches below and centered on the forward window, they will be 5 inches x 20 inches inside dimensions with a 0.5 inch border and painted gunship black (37038).
- 3.14.3.7. Commander's Aircraft Markings. Commander's aircraft referred to in this instruction are those designated as Numbered Air Force (NAF), Wing, OG and commanders of flying squadrons (Bomber/Fighter/Reconnaissance). The NAF Commander may select one wing within the command to have an aircraft specifically marked. It will be the only aircraft authorized so marked. Commanders are authorized to designate one aircraft each to be marked with standardized commander type markings, refer to Attachment 2 for specific markings. Unit identifier and radio call numbers will remain on vertical stabilizers as depicted in applicable T.O. and this MAJCOM policy. For TFI locations under classic association, the host active duty Wing Commander may authorize specific aircraft to be identified as the associate ANG or AFRC Commander's aircraft. These changes are in support of ownership pride and esprit de corps between active duty, reserve, and guard partnering wings. Digital photographs must be provided to MAJCOM/A4M for review and file for all designated commander's aircraft. The following are markings authorized for use on commander's aircraft:
  - 3.14.3.7.1. Wing and/or NAF insignias on the right forward fuselage and a collage of assigned flight/operations squadron insignias on the left forward fuselage.
    - 3.14.3.7.1.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Each of the squadron patches will be highlighted only on 48 FW and OG Commanders' jets see Attachments 10 & 11 (Added). The Wing and OG Commander's aircraft will have a collage of assigned flight/operations insignias on the left forward conformal fuel tank see Attachment 12 (Added) in the following order: Owning unit's color will go first, 494 FS, 493 FS, 492 FS, and 56 RQS.
  - 3.14.3.7.2. Highlighting (shadowing) of unit identifier and standardized commander type markings on the tails. All highlighting will be done in contrasting gray, black or white as long as it meets primary basecoat gloss requirements e.g., gloss, camouflage or gunship.
    - 3.14.3.7.2.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) F-15 E/C/D: The unit designator will be shadowed in light gray (36270) on the right CFT- see Attachment 13 (Added). The 48 FW & 48 OG Commanders' aircraft will have an evenly spaced blue (15102), red (11136), yellow (13538) and green (14187) blocks painted inboard and outboard on both vertical stabilizers, with a 1 inch white (17925) stripe located above and below the AMU colors see Attachment 14 (Added). The colors will be in-line with the angle of the leading edge of the vertical stabilizer. The unit name will consist of an alphanumeric designator of: 48 FW -

- see Attachment 10 (Added) , 48 OG see Attachment 11 (Added) , 492 FS see Attachment 15 (Added), 493 FS see Attachment 16 (Added), and 494 FS see Attachment 17 (Added) .
- 3.14.3.7.2.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) HH-60 helicopters Commander's aircraft will have a 4 inch tail flash located on the aft torque box extending below the top edge and applied to both sides of the tail pylon. It will consist of a 2 inch stripe painted light gray (36270), with a 0.5 inch black stripe and a 0.5 inch light gray stripe located above and below the center stripe see Attachment 18 (Added). The flash will start with a silhouette of England inside a circle painted black (37038) with the rest of the flash extending to the aft edge of the torque box. Two "Green Feet", 1.75 inches in height, will be placed centered on the flash. The right foot will have 5 toes, while the left foot will have 6 toes representing 56 RQS. These feet will be manufactured from green vinyl. The unit name will consist of an alphanumeric designator: 56 RQS.
- 3.14.3.7.3. Anniversary markings. This policy is provided to allow latitude for application of anniversary logo markings to Wing Commander aircraft only. When applied, anniversary markings will not interfere with required aircraft markings and must be removed immediately after the anniversary period (1-year maximum). Waivers are not required for unit unique markings, however, Wing Commanders must approve the markings, and photographs must be provided to MAJCOM/A4M for review and file. State flags and logos other than anniversary type are not considered unit unique markings and are not authorized.
- 3.14.3.7.4. Naming of aircraft. This policy is provided to allow for application of the unique aircraft naming on Wing Commander aircraft. This includes markings previously considered unit unique and are community related/appreciation types such as "Spirit of," "City of" and "State of." Naming aircraft is a tradition designed to commemorate or honor individuals, geographic locations, or events either for the support provided the Air Force on a long-term basis, or because of its significance to Air Force history or heritage. Recommendations must include a proposed name, aircraft tail number, and detailed justification for the proposed design/name. Size of marking is limited to 24 sq inches for fighter type aircraft, 36 sq inches for large aircraft (C-130, B-1, etc). Subdued color needs to be considered for certain type and mission of aircraft. MAJCOM/PA are designated as the clearinghouse for all requests to name CAF aircraft and must ultimately be approved by AF/CV. Route requests through wing PA to MAJCOM/A4Ms. MAJCOM/A4M will coordinated with MAJCOM/PA before submitting to AF/CV. Contact your wing Public Affairs office for details.
- 3.14.3.8. **Aircraft Travel Pods.** Travel pods will be painted the same color and tone as the aircraft with no additional markings. Gloss paint may be used to aid in cleaning. Units with multicolor aircraft should select one primary color of the aircraft for the travel pod. Travel pods designated for commanders may be any color and may contain the position and name of the individual and appropriate insignia. Lettering may be of any color and style, but shall not exceed 6 inches in height. Demonstration teams have the option to paint travel pods gloss black and apply unique markings. The left side of pod will contain unit insignia and name and team emblem and name. The right side will contain the

- MAJCOM insignia, the words Air Combat Command Demonstration Team (or the words of owning MAJCOM) and NAF insignia, if warranted. Commander and demonstration team travel pod paint scheme, final marking sizes, and placements will be approved by the WG/CC and documented within local unit operating instruction.
- 3.14.3.9. **External Fuel Tanks**. External fuel tanks shall be painted the same color and tone as existing aircraft coating. A 2 inch marking (centered on lugs) is optional for tracking purposes.
- 3.14.3.10. **Paint Identification Placard**. The paint identification block is a mandatory marking. The block may be of a unique design, i.e., eagle head, falcon head, or state outline, but must not exceed 6 inches by 6 inches in size and will match the color of other markings on the aircraft. Waiver requests are not required for this item, however, Wing Commander approval is required, and photographs of the design must be provided to MAJCOM/A4M for review and file.
  - 3.14.3.10.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Travel pods for non-commanders' aircraft will be painted in a matte finish the same color as the aircraft.
  - 3.14.3.10.2. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Only travel pods designated for commanders will be painted in gloss paint the same color as the aircraft. The 48 FW Commander's travel pods will be painted gloss white with full-color unit patches. Only commanders' travel pods will be marked see Attachment 20 (Added).
  - 3.14.3.10.3. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Specific commander travel pods will require special care when not being utilized. Travel pods will have a locally manufactured or procured cover to protect the finish system when stored. Also, travel pods will be hung on available travel pod hangers. When possible, all travel pods should be stored indoors to protect them from weather conditions.
- 3.14.3.11. **FAC Aircraft**. Due to the nature of the Predator MQ-1 mission as a low level, hostile fire zone reconnaissance aircraft; the command/organizational/squadron insignia must be marked in toned down colors. Flat black silhouettes may be used to fulfill the subdued requirement.
- 3.14.3.12. **Nose Numbers**. Aircraft nose numbers shall be in block or Helvetica letters, not to exceed four digits. Specific location and size for each different type aircraft is contained in **Attachment 2**. The paint material(s) used to apply nose numbers shall have the same gloss or subdued requirement as the base aircraft coating.
  - 3.14.3.12.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) Aircraft that receive a full paint at RAF Lakenheath will have a local MILSPEC identification placard (block design) to all assigned aircraft *along with* reapplying the most current WR-ALC paint block see Attachment 21 (Added).
- 3.14.3.13. **Bird Of Prey Silhouette.** Bird of prey silhouettes are authorized on F-15 and F- 16 aircraft as a unit option, but must be standardized within a wing by MDS. No waiver is required to apply bird of prey silhouettes, but a photograph must be submitted to MAJCOM/A4M for review and file. The following guidelines apply:

- 3.14.3.13.1. F-15 Aircraft. The silhouette will be placed on the insides of the vertical stabilizers. They will not exceed 24 inches in height and must be applied in a contrasting gray color.
- 3.14.3.13.2. F-16 Aircraft. The silhouette can be placed anywhere on the aircraft as long as it does not interfere with standard required markings. The silhouette will not exceed 18 inches in height and must be applied in a contrasting gray color.
- 3.14.3.14. **Gun Ports**. Gun ports on non-LO fighters will be painted in flat black paint.
- 3.14.3.15. **Aerial Victory Marking**. Fighter aircraft awarded a verified aerial victory are authorized to display a 6-inch green star with a 1/2 inch black border located just below and centered on the pilot's name block. The type of aircraft shot down shall be stenciled inside the star in 1/2 inch white lettering. For aircraft with multiple aerial victories, a star is authorized for each aircraft shot down. No other victory markings are authorized.
  - 3.14.3.15.1. (Added-LAKENHEATH) To satisfy proper application and decal longevity, the aerial victory marking height will total 6 inches in height to include the border and the inner star (see paragraph 3.14.3.15.).
- 3.14.3.16. **Bomber Combat Marking**. Designated bomber aircraft with a successful weapons release in combat operations are authorized to display a conventional bomb and/or CALCM silhouette. These markings will be applied in contrasting shades conform to the basic aircraft camouflage requirements. B-1 combat marking configurations are located in **Attachment 2** of this instruction.
- 3.14.3.17. Nose Art. For purposes of clarification, "nose art" shall be the term used to identify specialized artwork applied to the aircraft. Placement of nose art is authorized on the left forward side of the aircraft only. Nose art is authorized only on -135, B-1 and -130 aircraft, limited to 3x3 foot in size. Waiver requests for other type aircraft other than what is described above, will not be entertained.
  - 3.14.3.17.1. All nose art designs will be reviewed and approved by the Wing Commander prior to being applied to aircraft. Photographs of all applied art work will be submitted to MAJCOM/A4M for review and file. Authorized nose art shall be distinctive, symbolic, gender neutral, intended to enhance unit pride, and designed in good taste. World War II nose art meeting the above criteria may be used. Cartoon-type characters may be used; however, the unit will be responsible for all copyright requirements. It will match gloss requirements of the basic paint, i.e., aircraft with flat camouflage schemes require application of nose art in flat colors. Removal of nose art prior to deployment will be at the discretion of the Wing Commander.
  - 3.14.3.17.2. In addition to Thunderbird and MAJCOM demonstration aircraft, Wing Commanders may designate one aircraft within the wing to apply the "Let's Roll" design. The aircraft selected is at the Wing Commander's discretion.
- 3.14.3.18. **Competition Aircraft**. Units participating in competitions such as William Tell, Gunsmoke, etc, will follow the guidelines established in competition rules for aircraft appearance. Competitions should be considered "come as you are" and no waivers will be granted. "Come as you are" is defined as no special effort, painting, or

- additional markings applied to enhance or improve the overall appearance of the aircraft. This includes polishing of titanium, using commander type markings, etc.
- 3.14.3.19. **Aircraft Transfer**. The following markings must be removed prior to formal transfer of aircraft to other units or MAJCOMs (aircraft retiring to AMARC need not have any markings removed).
  - 3.14.3.19.1. Organizational insignias.
  - 3.14.3.19.2. Unit identifier.
  - 3.14.3.19.3. Tail stripe.
  - 3.14.3.19.4. Aircrew and crew chief names.
  - 3.14.3.19.5. Unit unique markings.
  - 3.14.3.19.6. Nose art may be retained if gaining unit agrees.
- 3.14.3.20. **Waivers**. Wing Commanders must submit waiver requests to MAJCOM/A4M for coordination to obtain approval/disapproval. Waivers in violation of aircraft technical data will not be accepted. Waiver requests must include the following:
  - 3.14.3.20.1. Clear statement of present procedure/marking.
  - 3.14.3.20.2. Clear statement of proposed change.
  - 3.14.3.20.3. Justification to include historical significance, if applicable.
  - 3.14.3.20.4. Photographs: Digital color photographs, one of present marking and one of requested change. The use of a slide presentation format is allowed.
- 3.14.3.21. **Photo Requirements**. All units must submit one full length (landscape orientation) digital photo of the Wing Commander's aircraft each time a marking change occurs. The use of a slide presentation format is allowed. Send to MAJCOM/A4M for review and file. MAJCOM/A4M will request updated photos periodically.
  - 3.14.3.21.1. Units shall provide photos of unique markings for all local option changes authorized by this instruction (i.e., tail stripe/name block design and/or color changes, paint data placard, bird of prey silhouettes, etc.) to MAJCOM/A4M for review and file.
- 3.14.3.22. **A-10, F-15, F-16 Combat Marking**. Deployed units supporting combat operations are authorized to place combat markings (bomb and 20/30MM ammunition) on aircraft operating at deployed locations using the following criteria. The combat markings will be placed inside the pilot/DCC name placard (name markings must be sanitized/removed during deployment) on A-10, F-15 and F-16 aircraft. The markings will be displayed using contrasting shades conforming to the basic aircraft camouflage requirements. Cut the stencils out of a removable adhesive marking material. The bomb markings are intended to generically represent each general purpose conventional bomb (i.e., GBU-12/31/38s and MK-82s) dropped at a one-to-one ratio and each 20/30-mm ammo round silhouette represents 100 rounds, or one pass. The Air Expeditionary Wing is responsible for providing the stencil machine/materials and removing the combat markings prior to redeployment.

3.14.3.23. (**PACAF**) : All aircraft marking not specified in Attachment 2, will be black color 37038 for flat paint coatings, color 17038 for gloss paint coatings.

#### 3.15. Tone Down.

- 3.15.1. **Aerospace Ground Equipment (AGE)**. Polyurethane paint system Mil-PRF-23377, Chromate Epoxy Primer, Tie Coat and Mil-C-85285 high solid, low VOC paint, color number 26173 is the approved topcoat paint system for AGE.
  - 3.15.1.1. When feasible, equipment will be completely stripped and properly prepared IAW T.O.s 1-1-8 and 35-1-3 before applying polyurethane coatings.
  - 3.15.1.2. Minimum reflectorizing requirements will be IAW T.O. 35-1-3. Black subdued reflectorized tape will be used in lieu of white when left optional by T.O. 35-1-3.
  - 3.15.1.3. Safety/danger/warning markings will be nonreflective red.
  - 3.15.1.4. Caution markings will be nonreflective black.
  - 3.15.1.5. Informational markings will be nonreflective black and be kept to a minimum.
  - 3.15.1.6. Dedicated squadron identification markings will not exceed a 2-inch by 6-inch area below two field numbers if the equipment area permits.
  - 3.15.1.7. Fuel designation markings will be 1-inch nonreflective black letters on the filler cap or most conspicuous area adjacent to the filler cap.
  - 3.15.1.8. Locally devised field numbers will be black.
  - 3.15.1.9. Interior areas of AGE exposed during operation will be toned down to match exterior painted surfaces.
  - 3.15.1.10. AGE arriving on base and requiring tone down will be painted within 60 days of receipt.
- 3.15.2. **Test equipment/composite tool kits (CTKs)**. Tone down of test equipment, CTKs and like equipment will be determined by the aircraft gloss requirement, i.e., unit with aircraft having gloss finishes may apply gloss finishes to their test equipment and CTKs. If the aircraft assigned have a requirement for flat finishes, then all test equipment and CTKs designed for on-equipment application will be toned down in flat colors.
  - 3.15.2.1. To prevent obscuring of instructions and possible damage to components, only exteriors of test equipment boxes will be toned down.
  - 3.15.2.2. Test equipment and CTKs used outside the shop environment will be toned down, i.e., gray, olive drab, brown, black or forest green. A camouflage pattern incorporating a combination of these colors may be used.
  - 3.15.2.3. Equipment not removed from back shops need not be toned down i.e., test equipment, test benches, and mockups.
  - 3.15.2.4. **Warranted CTKs**. Name brand tool boxes received from base supply with corrosion service life warranties will not be painted solely to change color (this will void the manufacturer's warranty unnecessarily). The exception to this policy is if this equipment is deployed to support combat coded units with flat aircraft finishes.

- 3.15.3. **Tactical Air Control System (TACS) Equipment Requirements**. TACS shelters, vehicles, and support equipment will be camouflage pattern painted using chemical agent resistant coating IAW T.O. 36-1-171, *Painting Instruction for Army Material*.
  - 3.15.3.1. TACS shelters, vehicles and support equipment will be pattern painted in a three-color camouflage scheme IAW T.O. 36-1-161, *Color, Marking, and Camouflage Paining of Military Vehicles, Construction Equipment and Materials Handling Equipment* and authorized equipment specific technical guidance.
  - 3.15.3.2. Reflective tape, signs, and decals will not be applied.
  - 3.15.3.3. Fabric or inflatable shelters will not be painted in accordance with this instruction.
  - 3.15.3.4. Mobilizers can be toned down in the solid complementary colors of desert sand or forest green.
- 3.15.4. **Alternate Mission Equipment (AME)**. AME will be painted IAW specific technical data. When such data does not exist, units will coordinate with the applicable item manager and MAJCOM/A4M before changing paint schemes.

#### 3.16. Communications Activity Responsibilities.

#### 3.16.1. Communications Squadron Commander Responsibilities.

- 3.16.1.1. Ensures a local Corrosion Prevention and Control Program (CPCP) is established for ground CEM equipment, stressing prevention and control of corrosion through equipment cleanliness, timely detection, and maintenance of protective finishes.
- 3.16.1.2. Appoints a member of Quality Assurance as the unit CPCP functional manager.
- 3.16.1.3. Ensures an adequate corrosion prevention and training program is in place for initial and recurring training.
- 3.16.1.4. Establishes support as necessary with host Maintenance Squadron and Base Civil Engineer (BCE).

#### 3.16.2. **CPCP Functional Manager Responsibilities**.

- 3.16.2.1. Obtains corrosion control treatment beyond the unit's capability from the BCE, vehicle maintenance shop, maintenance organizations, avionics maintenance shop, or respective Air Logistics Center (ALC).
- 3.16.2.2. Ensures corrosion prevention or treatment actions are taken and documented on all equipment and systems under their control.
- 3.16.2.3. Procures needed materials for prevention and treatment of corrosion within each work center. A locally fabricated corrosion control kit may be used. The unit CPCP functional manager and work center supervisor can determine kit contents.
- 3.16.2.4. Ensures all maintenance personnel receive training on CPCP. The training depth will be based on the local environment and particular equipment involved.
- 3.16.2.5. Reports all unresolved problems, through channels, to MAJCOM/A4M for assistance. When project material is involved, send information copies to EID/ISQ.

- 3.16.2.6. Works closely with BCE for support of the unit CPCP. **Note:** Support coverage should consider Real Property Installed Equipment (RPIE), vehicles and sheltered equipment (including van interior and exteriors, undercarriages and mobilizers) and equipment in storage awaiting project installation.
- 3.16.2.7. Ensures each work center adequately adheres to and participates in the unit CPCP. Periodically evaluates the effectiveness of each work center's CPCP.
- 3.16.2.8. Ensures oil-based coating is applied to all ground connections not environmentally controlled IAW T.O. 1-1-689-3 *Cleaning and Corrosion Control Vol III* and T.O. 31-l0-24, *Communication Systems Grounding, Bonding and Shielding* and MIL Std 188-124. This coating will not be applied on ground terminals of shelters and vans.
- 3.16.2.9. Ensures minimum quantities of reference publications are available to accommodate unit's needs.
- 3.16.3. **RPIE Requirements**. BCE has maintenance responsibility for all CE equipment categorized as RPIE IAW AFI 32-9005, *Real Property Accountability and Reporting*. The operation and maintenance of power plants by CE personnel include corrosion control painting IAW AFI 32-1062, *Electrical Power Plants and Generators*. Painting categorized as organizational level responsibility will be accomplished IAW local policy. Assistance should be from BCE when corrosion control maintenance exceeds the unit's capability.

#### 3.16.4. Corrosion Control Training Programs for Communication Systems.

- 3.16.4.1. Qualification training.
  - 3.16.4.1.1. Initial subject knowledge will cover background knowledge of the causes, removal, control, and prevention of corrosion. This training will be required upon initial assignment to the unit and refresher training every 2 years.
  - 3.16.4.1.2. The unit CPCP functional manager may exempt work centers from using part or all of quality training packages (QTP) covering corrosion control and prevention where career development course material adequately covers all module subjects contained in the QTP.
- 3.16.4.2. Follow-on training will be conducted when new techniques are developed to identify, remove, or treat corrosion encountered by the unit. The unit CPCP functional manager, maintenance support personnel, and supervisors must be alert for applicable follow-on training subjects and cross feeds which may appear in technical orders, WR-ALC RP 400-1 (Corrosion Summary), or other publications procurable through the unit publications personnel.
- 3.16.4.3. Local job qualification standards will consist of performance tasks to identify, remove, and treat all types of corrosion encountered or anticipated by the work center.

## **Chapter 4**

#### LOW OBSERVABLE AIRCRAFT STRUCTURAL MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

**4.1. Purpose of Low Observable Aircraft Structural Maintenance (AFSC 2A7X5).** Responsible for performing aircraft LO system and structural repairs using advanced techniques and materials. Designs, repairs, modifies, and fabricates repair parts and components. Identifies and applies preservative treatments, corrosion preventatives, and LO materials. Inspects and ensures structural and LO integrity. Ensures personnel identify and treat corrosion on aerospace ground equipment. Supervises fabrication and repair of tubing assemblies using applicable technical data and engineering drawings. Uses electronic maintenance information systems to train personnel and track, manage, and monitor aircraft maintenance.

## 4.2. MAJCOM /A4M Responsibilities.

- 4.2.1. Manage the command's LO ASM maintenance career field.
- 4.2.2. Coordinate all intra-command LO ASM TDY manning assistance requests.
- 4.2.3. Represent MAJCOM at 2A7X5 utilization and training workshops.
- 4.2.4. Represent MAJCOM for all applicable 2A7X5 issues at LO conferences and meetings.
- 4.2.5. Forecast and ensure scheduling of 2A7X5 supplemental training.

## 4.3. HQ ACC/A4V/A8F Responsibilities.

- 4.3.1. Manage the CAF LO system.
- 4.3.2. Establish an LO subject matter expert (SME) position for each weapon system team with an LO platform assigned.
- 4.3.3. Develop and coordinate CAF policy and procedures for LO functions.
- 4.3.4. Represent CAF at all applicable LO meetings and conferences.
- 4.3.5. Develop and maintain the CAF memorandum of agreement for F-22A Signature Management Program requirements. Provide the CAF with a list of dates available for the next fiscal year Signature Management Program flight test events no later than July of each year.

## 4.4. Wing Commander Responsibilities.

4.4.1. Ensures funding is available to support annual RCS flight test requirements.

#### 4.5. Maintenance Group Commander Responsibilities.

- 4.5.1. Establish and maintain an effective low observables maintenance program.
- 4.5.2. Appoint an experienced 2A7X5 technician or civilian equivalent to QA who is solely focused on LO maintenance processes. Requirement is 1 per AMU.
- 4.5.3. Ensure Plans, Scheduling & Documentation sections schedule F-22 and F-35 annual aircraft audits.

- 4.5.4. Monitor annual LO F-22 and F-35 audit trends to ensure fleet LO mission capable status is accurately documented and reported.
- 4.5.5. Support radar cross section (RCS) test events with required aircraft and maintenance personnel. This includes Signature Management Program flight testing, Acceptance Test Facility (turntable) revisits and Repair Verification Radar testing.
  - 4.5.5.1. Units must confirm aircraft will support SMP at least 90 days prior to event.
- 4.5.6. Establish a policy to limit use of LO aero only panel restoration. Aero only is only used for confidence flights and must be minimized to avoid an uncontrollable backlog.
- 4.5.7. Work closely with the OG/CC to balance flying requirements with maintenance capability to prevent an uncontrollable LO backlog.
- 4.5.8. Ensure all F-22 maintenance personnel complete required LO management training.
- 4.5.9. Ensure hot wash/lessons learned information is documented for each Theater Security Package (TSP) deployment and shared with CAF F-22 units/MAJCOMs.

# 4.6. Wing LO Survivability Superintendent Responsibilities (5<sup>th</sup> Generation Fighter Aircraft).

- 4.6.1. Serve as the LO SME responsible to the wing and ACC for 5th Generation Fighter Aircraft Signature Management Plan (SMP) and other RF diagnostic test events.
- 4.6.2. Interface with the MAJCOM LO SME on all Signature Management Program deployment scheduling requirements, to include dates, personnel, equipment, etc.
- 4.6.3. Interface with the ACC/A8 LO SME and Responsible Test Organization on all SMP deployment scheduling requirements, to include dates, personnel, equipment, etc.
- 4.6.4. Projects TDY budget to support wing F-22A SMP flights per the CAF MOA.
- 4.6.5. Coordinates local radar cross section site surveys for frequency/band width emissions licensing and ensures local compliance with all federal, state and local Operational Safety and Health Administration regulations during Radio Frequency measurements.
- 4.6.6. Participate in CAF, F-22A, and F-35 program LO working group meetings/conferences.
- 4.6.7. Perform periodic reviews of aircraft Maintenance Information Systems and Signature Assessment Systems to assess the integrity of F-22A LO mission capable status reporting.
- 4.6.8. Provides wing leadership with critical survivability and vulnerability assessments based on LO system health status and projected in-theater threats.
- 4.6.9. Produces statistical reports/trend analysis to facilitate radar cross section reduction analysis in order to better understand the impact of LO health on F-22A survivability and vulnerability.

#### 4.7. Fabrication Flight Chief

4.7.1. Use LO FTD training availability/capacity at every opportunity to elevate capability over the long term and provide recommended changes as required.

- 4.7.2. Forecast funding to attend and participate in applicable LO meetings, CPABs and other structural related programs/meetings.
- 4.7.3. Ensure accuracy of LO mission capable status documentation and reporting. This includes establishment of a SAS data integrity team to ensure data is routinely cross checked for accuracy.
- 4.7.4. Manage the maintenance data collection process, review data for correctness and take necessary action to rectify incorrect reporting.
- 4.7.5. Appoint an LO production supervisor to manage scheduling and workload on each shift.
- 4.7.6. Ensure fast/accelerated LO cure processes are used to the maximum extent possible to reduce flow time and increase aircraft availability.
- 4.7.7. Ensure all personnel exposed to LO work environments comply with OSHA, AF, MAJCOM, and wing policies on hygiene standards and preventing contamination of common areas outside of the direct work environment.
- 4.7.8. Report fleet LO mission capable status (Attachment 5) to the applicable MAJCOM weapon system team on a daily basis. Fleet SAS average reported must not include non-possessed aircraft.
- 4.7.9. Ensure a corrosion control/restoration plan is established to maintain AGE, AME, and applicable static display aircraft.

## 4.8. LO ASM Responsibilities.

- 4.8.1. Maintain a comprehensive training plan ensuring assigned personnel develop and maintain proficiency in all facets of LO finishes, metallic structures, composite repair, corrosion control, signature assessment, and electronic maintenance information system data entry commensurate with awarded skill level.
- 4.8.2. Ensure LO ASM personnel receive pre-placement, special purpose, periodic and termination occupational physicals as deemed necessary by local Medical Group Aero Medical Services IAW AFI 48-145, *Occupational And Environmental Health Program*.
- 4.8.3. Ensure LO ASM personnel provide updated information required to obtain and retain special program security access to the unit or group security manager in a timely manner.
- 4.8.4. Ensure an LO composite repair facility security training plan is developed with initial and annual training to be used for each individual working within the section.
- 4.8.5. Coordinate with maintenance supervision to group other maintenance actions with scheduled LO work (i.e., TCTOs, OTIs) on a non-intrusive basis to minimize aircraft downtime.
  - 4.8.5.1. Work with AMUs to schedule aircraft downtime for LO reduction at the appropriate time based on overall fleet health and/or SAS damage priority screen. LO reduction time must be focused on reducing SAS margins. Other scheduled/unscheduled LO FOM/TCTOs/maintenance must be planned separately. Optional LO margin maintenance reduction is 3 5 days and must focus on multiple discrepancies, longer-

- lasting repairs, and greater SAS margin buyback. A long-line reduction option (8 10 days) is preferred when aircraft availability permits.
- 4.8.6. Establish procedures for quick look LO inspections on all next day flyers to identify aircraft that will exceed 100% SAS margin and assess possible quick fix repair options.
  - 4.8.6.1. Use expedient repairs for all damages negatively affecting aircraft mission capable status, e.g., fast cures, canopy film repair, etc.
- 4.8.7. Maximize use of spray facilities by limiting to spray restoration. Brush/roll application should be performed in other hangar locations.
- 4.8.8. Develop a dedicated LO OML inspection crew to maintain inspection consistency and inspector proficiency.
  - 4.8.8.1. Establish an OML team rotation plan to ensure all LO personnel remain proficient.
- 4.8.9. Request depot assistance IAW T.O. 00-25-107 through the ACC weapon system manager.
- 4.8.10. Ensure no other maintenance is accomplished on the aircraft, equipment, or within the environmentally controlled/cordoned-off areas during corrosion prevention/treatment or coatings restoration when hazardous/toxic materials are in use requiring the use of specialized personal protective equipment.
- 4.8.11. Ensure deficiency reports (DR) are accomplished as necessary IAW T.O. 00-35D-54, *USAF Deficiency Reporting, Investigation, and Resolution.*

# 4.9. LO Quality Assurance Responsibilities.

- 4.9.1. Minimum experience requirements for evaluating LO maintenance include; completion of applicable LO TD courses and certified in core training tasks contained in **Attachment 3** of the 2A7X5 CFETP.
- 4.9.2. Establish a comprehensive inspection program assuring the integrity of LO maintenance and SAS documentation associated with mission capable status reporting. This includes frequent personal evaluations of aircraft OML inspections, SAS documentation and LO repair processes IAW established technical order guidance.
- 4.9.3. Identify/report all LO training and process deficiencies to the Fabrication Flight Chief.
- 4.9.4. Include periodic participation in annual aircraft LO audit inspections as part of Maintenance Standardization Evaluation Program.

# 4.10. Low Observable/Composite Repair Facility (LO/CRF) Manager.

- 4.10.1. Responsible for reporting facility operation deficiencies such as the Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems, compressed and breathing air systems, electrical systems, plumbing and drainage systems in the LO/CRF and on assigned real property of the LO/CRF.
- 4.10.2. Perform tasks related to the overall management and operations of the LO/CRF, including energy management and equipment inventory.

- 4.10.3. Perform facility inspections to determine repair and maintenance requirements. Ensure all measures are taken to maintain security accreditation of facility if required.
- 4.10.4. Submit facility work orders through Civil Engineer (CE) Customer Service. In cases of established/approved contract maintenance for facilities, contact contractor for emergency or out of cycle maintenance. This includes warranty repairs and maintenance required.
- 4.10.5. Prioritize and track the completion of work orders.
- 4.10.6. Maintain a record of all work performed by contractor and CE personnel to include response time and time required until satisfactory completion of work.
- 4.10.7. Perform facility and safety inspections as required by technical orders and Air Force instructions.
- 4.10.8. Maintain currency on Hangar Bay Door Operation and train employees and customers on hangar bay door operations.
- 4.10.9. Perform escort duties or provide escorts as needed for contract maintenance personnel within special access areas of the LO/CRF.

## 4.11. LO Support.

- 4.11.1. Stocks supplies, consumables, tools, and equipment to support LO aircraft inspection, maintenance, and surface treatment. Processes supply requests, maintains AF Form 2413, *Supply Control Log* (or operates remote devices), tracks MICAP due-outs, monitors bench stock, conducts bench stock and adjusted stock level reviews, and operates tool storage areas. In addition the Support Section NCOIC will ensure a section due-out release point and holding bins are established. Supports CTK/Special tools, E- tools and test equipment.
- 4.11.2. Maintain bench and operating stocks.
- 4.11.3. Control and maintain TMDE IAW TO 33-1-27, *Maintenance Support of Precision Measurement Equipment*. Comply with T.O. 33K-1-100-2-CD-1, *TMDE Calibration Interval Technical Order and Work Unit Code Reference Guide*; T.O. 00-20-14, and other applicable technical directives concerning the use, care, handling, transportation, and calibration of TMDE owned by the section.
- 4.11.4. Provide monthly critical support equipment status update to squadron supervision.
- 4.11.5. Maintain QRL as needed and provide it to technicians.
- 4.11.6. Track and process DIFM assets.
- 4.11.7. Manage reusable containers IAW AFI 24-203, *Preparation and Movement of Air Force Cargo*, and T.O. 00-20-3.
- 4.11.8. Manage section's hazardous material (HAZMAT) program.
  - 4.11.8.1. Organize and coordinate effective shipping and staging operation.
  - 4.11.8.2. Issue/turn in materials to/from workers using the tool accountability system (TAS).

4.11.8.3. Maintain records and documentation actions to ensure compliance with applicable directives.

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## Abbreviations and Acronyms:

**ACC**—Air Combat Command

(Added-LAKENHEATH) AF—-Air Force

**AGE**—Aerospace Ground Equipment

**AFCENT**—Air Force Central Command

**AFI**—Air Force Instruction

**AFMAN**—Air Force Manual

**AFOSH**—Air Force Occupational Safety and Health

**AFPD**—Air Force Policy Directive

AFRC—Air Force Reserve Command

**AFRIMS**—Air Force Records Information Management System

**AFRL**—Air Force Research Laboratory

**AFSC**—Air Force Specialty Code

**ALIS**—Autonomic Logistics Information System

**ALC**—Air Logistics Center

AME—Alternate Mission Equipment

AMU—Aircraft Maintenance Unit

**AMX**—Aircraft Maintenance

AMXS—Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

ANG—Air National Guard

**APC**—Advance Performance Coatings

**ARC**—Air Reserve Component

**ASM**—Aircraft Structural Maintenance

**BCE**—Base Civil Engineer

**CAF**—Combat Air Force

**CC**—Commander

**CE**—Civil Engineering

**CEM**—Communications-Electronics-Meteorological

**CMS**—Component Maintenance Squadron

**CPAB**—Corrosion Prevention Advisory Board

**CPCP**—Corrosion Prevention and Control Program

**CTK**—Composite Tool Kit

**DoD**—Department of Defense

**DR**—Deficiency Reports

**EMS**—Equipment Maintenance Squadron

**ESA**—Electrical Surge Arrestor

FAC—Forward Air Control

(Added-LAKENHEATH) FS—Fighter Squadron

FTD—Field Training Detachment

(Added-LAKENHEATH) FW—-Fighter Wing (48 FW)

**HAZMART**—Hazardous Material

**HQ**—Headquarters

**HVAC**—Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning

IAW—In Accordance With

IC—Interim Change

**ICBM**—Intercontinental Ballistic Missile

**IMIS**—Integrated Maintenance Information System

**IMDS**—Integrated Maintenance Data System

**IPT**—Integrated Process Teams

JOAP—Joint Oil Analysis Program

LO—Low Observable

**LOCRF**—Low Observable/Composite Repair Facility

LRU—Line Replaceable Units

MAJCOM—Major Command

**MDS**—Mission Design Series

MOA—Memorandum of Agreement

MSDS—Material Safety Data Sheet

**NAF**—Numbered Air Force

NCO—Noncommissioned Officer

(Added-LAKENHEATH) NCOIC—Non-Commissioned Officer In Charge

**NDI**—Non-Destructive Inspection

NESHAP—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants

(Added-LAKENHEATH) NLT—-No Later Than

**OAP**—Oil Analysis Program

(Added-LAKENHEATH) OG—Operations Group (48 OG)

**OPR**—Office of Primary Responsibility

(Added-LAKENHEATH) OSOY—Maintenance Scheduling (48 OSS/OSOY)

(Added-LAKENHEATH) OSS—Operations Support Squadron (48 OSS)

(Added-LAKENHEATH) P&S—Plans and Scheduling

(Added-LAKENHEATH) PDM—-Programmed Depot Maintenance

**PGM**—Product Group Manager

**PIT**—Product Improvement Team

**PR**—Personnel Recovery

**QA**—Quality Assurance

**QPD**—Qualified Product Database

**QPL**—Qualified Products Listings

**QPT**—Quality Training Package

**QTP**—Quality Training Package

**RAM**—Radar Absorbing Material

**RCS**—Radar Cross Section

**RDS**—Records Disposition Schedule

RDT&E—Research, Development, Test and Evaluation

RPIE—Real Property Installed Equipment

**RTO**—Responsible Test Organization

SAS—Signature Assessment System

**SE**—Support Equipment

**SEM/EDX**—Scanning Electron Microscope/Energy Dispersive X-Ray

SMD—Structural Management Director

**SME**—Subject Matter Expert

**SMP**—Signature Management Program

**SPD**—System Program Directorate

**SPM**—System Program Manager

STD—Standard

**TACS**—Tactical Air Control System

TMDE—Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment

**TDY**—Temporary Duty

**TFI**—Total Force Integration

T.O.—- Technical Order

**UFC**—Unified Facilities Criteria

**USAF**—United States Air Force

## AIRCRAFT MARKING SPECIFICATIONS

(Not all inclusive, refer to specific weapon system T.O. or drawings for further guidance)

## A/OA-10A/C

(Non-combat coded)

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (full color)

Vertical: 10 inches below bottom edge of rudder cap left and right.

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (full color)

Left side: Above panel F-18 and aft of panel F-44.

Right side: Above panel F-79 and aft of panel F-105.

**UNIT INDENTIFIER:** 12 inches

Vertical: Lower edge 3 inches above tail numbers. Horizontal: Centered on vertical stabilizer.

## PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot on left side under windscreen beginning at FS 188.92.

Crew chief just under pilot's name. Assistant crew chief name just under crew chief name.

**NOSE NUMBER:** 6 inches (gray color number 36375)

Last three/four digits of tail number on both sides of aircraft nose.

## (Combat Coded)

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (subdued) (PACAF: 10 inch black silhouette)

Vertical: 10 inches below bottom edge of rudder cap left and right.

Horizontal: Centered above unit designator.

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (subdued) (PACAF: 10 inch black silhouette)

Left side: Above panel F-18 and aft of panel F-44.

Right side: Above panel F-79 and panel F-105.

UNIT INDENTIFIER: 12 inches (PACAF: 10 inch black silhouette)

Vertical: Lower edge 3 inches above tail numbers.

Horizontal: Centered on vertical stabilizer.

## PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot on left under windscreen beginning at FS 188.92.

Crew chief just under pilot's name.

Assistant crew chief name under crew chief name.

**NOSE NUMBER**: 6 inches (black)

Three digits of tail number on both sides of the aircraft nose.

# **UNIQUE MARKINGS:**

476 FG Moody AFB (AFRC):

"FT" will remain as the Distinctive Unit Identifier, and the ACC command patch will remain on the tail.

476 FG will replace 23 WG on the aircraft tail.

23 WG patch will remain on the aircraft fuselage and be relocated so that the edge of the patch is 1 inch aft of panel F-44, above panel F-18. The 476th Group patch will be 21 inches aft of panel F-44, above panel F-18, approximately 2 inches past the WG patch.

76 FS Reserve unit insignia will be placed on the left side of the aircraft centered aft of panel F-105, above panel F-79.

25 FS (Osan) Mustang silhouette on tail, tail stripe will be yellow and green checkerboard

#### **B-1**

# **COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 24 inches (subdued)

Located 11 inches down from the tail stripe, top of patch 38 inches in from tail leading edge and 36 inches in from leading edge of rudder on both sides.

# **ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 24 inches (subdued)

Located 6 inches below and centered on the OSO/DSO windows.

#### **UNIT INDENTIFIER:** 30 inches

Located 7 inches down from command insignia. On right side of tail, trailing edge of first letter will lay along a vertical line from center of sword in command insignia. On left side of tail, trailing edge of second letter in unit designator will lay along a vertical line from center of sword in command insignia.

## PILOT/AIRCREW/CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot/aircrew: Centered on forward escape hatch side window.

Crew chief/assistant: Left nose gear door, centered.

# **NOSE NUMBERS:**

Last three/four digits of tail number, 3 inches in height, on nose gear strut, both sides.

# **UNIQUE COMBAT MARKINGS:**

Bomb markings will be located on the right portion of the left nose gear door exterior. These markings will consist of a 5-inch bomb silhouette applied in a row not to exceed 10 in each row. Once 10 silhouettes are achieved a single bomb silhouette with the number "10" will represent a row.

#### C/HC/MC-130

(PACAF): This specific guidance is non-applicable, follow current guidance for markings of MAF aircraft.

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 30 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Bottom of command insignia is located at vertical stabilizer station 111.0

Horizontal: Centered on FS 1090.0

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 30 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Insignia is placed on the fuselage; the bottom of the insignia will be centered on WL 190.0

(HC-130J): Due to the luminescent light mounted on fuselage, move insignia so bottom tip is three inches above top edge of light.

Horizontal: The insignia will be centered on FS 270.0

**UNIT IDENTIFIER:** 36 inches

Vertical: Bottom of unit identifier is located at vertical stabilizer station 63.0

Horizontal: Centered between FS 1068.0 and 1122.0

## PILOT AND CREW CHIEF/ASSISTANT NAMES:

Vertical: Bottom of crew box on WL 175.0

Horizontal: Between FS 175.0 and 210.0

(HC-130J): Move name block forward on fuselage between FS 165.0 and 200.00

**NOSE NUMBERS:** 6 inches (subdued)

Last four digits of tail number, positioned on both sides of forward fuselage

**RADIO CALL NUMBERS:** 15 inches

Vertical: Bottom of radio call number is located at vertical stabilizer station 36.0

Horizontal: Centered between FS 1068.0 and 1122.0

## **UNIQUE PAINT:**

All PR C-130 wheels shall be black (37038)

#### **EC/TC-130**

(See EC/TC-130 engineer drawings for further guidance specific to each MDS)

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 30 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Bottom of command insignia is located at vertical stabilizer station 111.0

Horizontal: Centered on FS 1090.0

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 30 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Insignia is placed on the fuselage; the bottom of the insignia will be centered on WL

190.0

Horizontal: The insignia will be centered on FS 270.0

**UNIT IDENTIFIER:** 36 inches

Vertical: Bottom of unit identifier is located at vertical stabilizer station 63.0

Horizontal: Centered between FS 1068.0 and 1122.0

PILOT AND CREW CHIEF/ASSISTANT NAMES: (subdued)

Vertical: Top of crew box 8.5 inches below WL 200.0. Bottom of crew block 18.5 inches below

WL 200.0

Horizontal: Between FS 167.0 and FS 202.0

(Refer to EC/TC-130 engineer drawings for further guidance on crew block dimensions)

**NOSE NUMBERS:** 6 inches (subdued)

Last four digits of tail number, positioned on both sides of forward fuselage

(Refer to EC/TC-130 engineer drawings for further guidance on nose number locations)

**RADIO CALL NUMBERS:** 15 inches

Vertical: Bottom of radio call number is located at vertical stabilizer station 36.0

Horizontal: Centered between FS 1068.0 and 1122.0

**UNIQUE PAINT:** 

All MLG wheels, NLG wheels, and hubcaps shall be painted black 37038

EC/RC/WC/OC-135

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 24 inches (Full Color)

Vertical: 1 inch forward of center of pilot/copilot #2 window

Horizontal: 11 inches below lowest part of sill

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (Full color)

Left side of forward fuselage, 2 inches above the crew chief block, centered on the crew chief

block

**UNIT IDENTIFIER:** 36 inches

Left Side: Designator will begin 20 inches in from leading edge

Right Side: Designator will end 20 inches in from leading edge

#### PILOT AND CREW CHIEF/ASSISTANT NAMES:

Flight crew names: 2 inches below blue stripe, beginning straight below the lower forward corner of the left and right #3 windows. 2-inch Helvetica medium, 30-degree forward slant on left side, 30-degree aft slant on right side. The words "AIRCRAFT COMMANDER" with the individuals name centered below it on the left side, and the word "PILOT" with the individuals name centered below it on the right side. Optional below the Pilot name the word "NAVIGATOR" with individual's name centered below it.

Crew chief/assistant names in 18-inch by 36-inch block, 10 inches aft of crew entry door, top of block flush with top of door.

**NOSE NUMBER:** Last four digits of tail number

EC-135: 8 inch white letters

Left side: Located 7 inches forward and 8 inches above the crew entry door

Right side: Located resting on WL 208.5 beginning at FS 225

RC-135: 8 inch white letters

Left side: Located 8 inches above and centered on crew entry chute

Right side: Located resting on WL 208, centered on FS 287

#### E-3

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (full color) (PACAF: black silhouette)

Centered 12 inches fwd Sta 259.5. Top of insignia 40 inches above Stringer 19 on co-pilot's side

WING ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA: 18 inches (full color) (PACAF: black silhouette)

Centered 12 inches fwd Sta 259.5. Top of insignia 40 inches above Stringer 19 on pilot's side

**RESERVE COMMAND INSIGNIA**: 18 inches (full color)--COMACC waiver (PACAF: black silhouette)

Centered 30 inches fwd of Sta 259.5. Lower point resting on Stringer 19 on co-pilot's side

RESERVE ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA: 18 inches (full color)--COMACC waiver

Centered 30 inches fwd of Sta 259.5. Lower point resting on Stringer 19 on pilot's side

**OPERATIONAL SQUARDRON INSIGINIA:** Approved to be placed on the pilot side of the fuselage, above and aft of the wing insignia when each AMU supports more than one flying squadron.

**UNIT IDENTIFIER:** 24 inches (Gloss Black)

Left side: Located 7 inches above the radio call number with the top corner of the first letter at the leading edge seam

Right side: Located 7 inches above the radio call number with the top corner of the last letter at the leading edge seam

#### PILOT AND CREW CHIEF/ASSISTANT NAMES:

Pilot/Mission Crew Commander and Dedicated Crew Chief/Assistant Dedicated Crew Chief Names. In a 1/4" black bordered, 30 1/2" by 11 1/2" box, just below the commander's window on the left side of the aircraft with the upper edge of the box 40" plus or minus 0.50" above the edge of the skin stringer 19, running from body station 227.8 to 203.8 will be the words "ACFT Commander" in Helvetica medium with 1.13" lettering with the individuals name centered below it in Brush Script with 1.695" lettering. Below the ACFT Commander's name will be the words "Dedicated Crew Chief" in Helvetica medium in 1.13" lettering with the individuals name centered below it in Brush Script in 1.695" lettering. The stencil will be placed 1/4" below seam and 1/2" forward of window beef up plate (all lettering will be black).

In a 1/4" black bordered, 30 1/2" by 11 1/2" box just below the Pilots window on the right side of the aircraft, with the upper edge of the box 40" plus or minus .50" above the skin stringer 19, running from body station 227.8 to 203.8 will be the words "MCC" in Helvetica medium with 1.13" lettering with the individuals name centered below it in Brush Script with 1.695" lettering. Below the MCCs' name will be the word "ADCC" in Helvetica medium with 1.13" lettering with the individuals name centered below it in Brush Script with 1.695" lettering. The stencil will be placed 1/4" below seam and 1/2" forward of window beef up plate (All lettering will be black).

**NOSE NUMBERS:** 6-inch (Gloss Black)

Last four digits of tail number on left and right nose gear door

**AMERICAN FLAG:** 31.5 inches high by 60 inches long

Applied to both sides of the vertical stabilizer. The top of the American flag is located at Fin Station 210.15 with the forward top corner of each flag resting on the vertical stabilizer leading edge seam.

## **UNIQUE MARKINGS:**

961ST ACSS (Kadena): "Shogun" silhouette on tail, orange tail stripe

962ND ACSS (Elmendorf): "Eagle" silhouette on tail, green tail stripe

#### **E-4B**

Due to the mission of the E-4B, no command markings will be applied to the aircraft.

## **E-9A**

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (full color)

Vertical: Top of Insignia 7.5 inches below Red "TEAM TARGET" Stripe Horizontal: Centered on the Horizontal Alignment (see drawings)

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (full color)

Vertical: RT side, aligned with FWD fuselage antenna support strap, FWD edge. Horizontal: Centered between Top of copilot side window and "US AIR FORCE" stencil.

## **SQUADRON INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (full color)

Vertical: Lt side, centered between top of pilot side window and passenger door. Horizontal: Lt side, centered between pilots side window and passenger door.

## **UNIT INDENTIFIER: 20 Inches**

"TD" (Gloss Black) both sides of vertical stabilizer, center aft side of "D" aligned with horizontal alignment line.

Vertical: To the Left and Right of the Horizontal Alignment

Horizontal: Top is 76.5 inches below the Horizontal Stabilizer, centered on vertical stabilizer (rudder seal not included).

#### **CREW NAMES:**

Pilots Name: Left side-centered below side window - 2.5 inches below seal. Co-pilots Name: Right side, centered below side window - 2.5 inches below window seal.

**RADIO CALL NUMBERS:** AF - 6 inch block letters over 6 inch numbers (year designator) with 3 inch space between. The call numbers will be 15 inch block letters aft of year designator – 3 digit number, last number perpendicular with Horizontal Alignment line.

NATIONAL STAR: 20 inch diameter star size IAW 1-1-8 Fig B-2 (Full Color)

Fuselage placement: Left & Right side of the aft section of the fuselage, 3.5 inches aft tail seam - center of aft FTS Antenna fairing - center rivet line, 48 inches above bottom center tail section lap joint.

Wing Placement: Top left wing and bottom right wing. Center cord line, 12 feet from wing tip. Parallel to fwd leading edge of wing.

**UNIQUE PAINT SCHEME:** Gulf White – Commercial grade

## F-15

# COMMAND INSIGNIA: 18 inches, (Black)

Vertical: Bottom of insignia 18 inches above unit designator

Horizontal: Aft edge of insignia of FS 806.5

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 18 inches, (Black)

Vertical: Bottom of insignia on WL 100.0

Horizontal: Forward edge of insignia on FS 458.0

**UNIT IDENTIFIER:** 24 inches (Black)

Vertical: Top of letters even with top of rudder

Horizontal: Leading edge of first letter on FS 760.0

Commander's Flagships: Unit Identifier will be 20 inches (Black) with 1 inch shadowing. Top of

letters will be moved up 6 inches from top of rudder line.

## **RADIO CALL NUMBERS ON TAILS:** 15 Inches (Black)

Follow specific -23 T.O. reference for location.

Commander's Flagship: Shadowing of tail numbers is not authorized.

#### PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot centered below left windscreen frame and crew chief and assistant crew chief names centered below right windscreen frame.

# **NOSE NUMBER:** 4 inches

Last three/four digits of tail number vertically on left and right side of the nose gear door or on the aircraft nose 1 inch below the EWWS antenna with the last number ending 1 inch from radome.

# **UNIQUE MARKINGS:**

Commander's Flagship: Authorized 15 inch (Black) Commander designation (ie: 18 <sup>WG</sup>, 366 <sup>FW</sup>, 48 <sup>OG</sup>, 391 <sup>FS</sup>, etc) centered vertically between unit identifier and radio call numbers, centered horizontally between leading edge of stabilizer and leading edge of rudder. Subscript letters (ie: FW, OG, FS, etc) will be 7 inches (Black) with ½ inch shadowing. No "th" subscript authorized.

366 FW (Mt Home): Authorized to paint the eagle blocks black with a white shadow on the wing/squadron flagships.

44TH FS, 67TH FS (Kadena): On all assigned F-15 aircraft, "Shogun" silhouette will be moved from outboard of vertical stabilizer to the inboard, applied to same vertical position, centered between fwd and aft vertical edges of stabilizer. Shogun silhouette will take the place of F-15 bird of prey design.

**NOTE:** For F-15 CAF uniformity purposes, all changes to aircraft markings will be done on attritional basis only, regardless for flagship or normal aircraft. Units can utilize depot or field level program maintenance for marking alterations. All uniformity changes will be completed by 1 Oct 2015.

## F-16

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (full color) (PACAF: 10-inch contrasting gray silhouette) (USAFE: subdued)

Vertical: 7 inches below tail stripe

Horizontal: Centered on vertical stab, excluding rudder measurement

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 10 inches (full color) (PACAF: 10-inch contrasting gray

silhouette) (USAFE: subdued)

Vertical: Top of insignia 11 inches below fuselage/intake splitter vane

Horizontal: Leading edge 52 inches aft of intake duct lip

**UNIT INDENTIFIER:** 18 inches (PACAF: 10-inch contrasting gray silhouette)

Vertical: Bottom of letters at WL 158.0

Horizontal: Leading edge of first letter on FS 482.07

#### PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot name on left canopy rail

Crew chief name on right canopy rail

Assistant crew chief name on inside of nose gear door

**NOSE NUMBER:** 4 inches

Last three/four digits of tail number on both sides of nose gear door or centered below teardrop EWWS antenna on each side of aircraft nose

#### **TFI MARKINGS:**

419 FW Hill AFB (AFRC):

"HL" will remain as the Unit Identifier, and ACC patch will remain as the command insignia on the tail

"419 FW" will replace "388 FW" on the aircraft tail

388 FW Organizational Insignia (patch) will remain on the aircraft inlet and be relocated so that the aft edge of the patch is 50 inches aft of the intake duct lip

419 FW Reserve Unit's Organizational Insignia (patch) will be located 52 inches aft of the intake duct lip, 2 inches aft of 388 FW patch

419 FW tail stripe colors (black and yellow) across the top of the vertical stabilizer

# **UNIQUE MARKINGS:**

18TH FS (Eielson): "Combat Fox" silhouette on tail, blue tail stripe

36TH FS (Osan): "Mustang" silhouette on tail, red and black checkerboard tail stripe

35TH FS (Kunsan): "Wolf Head" silhouette on tail, blue tail stripe

80TH FS (Kunsan): "Wolf Head" silhouette on tail, gold tail stripe

13TH FS (Misawa): "Panther" silhouette on tail, red stripe

14TH FS (Misawa): "Samurai" silhouette on tail, gold tail stripe

**PACAF:** Use contrasting gray markings. Gray 36118 markings will be used on gray 36270 surface areas. Gray 36270 markings will be used on 36118 surface areas, dark gray 36176 on medium surface areas. Black color 37038 will be used for additional markings.

#### F-22A

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (silhouette – contrasting shade of gray)

Vertical: Top of insignia applied 50.3 inches below top of vertical stabilizer

Horizontal: Centered on trailing edge aft unit designator letter

**WING INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (silhouette – contrasting shade of gray)

Vertical: Centered between chine and bottom of the intake

Horizontal: Centered between leading edge of right intake lip and right weapons bay

**SQUADRON INSIGNIA:** 18 inches (silhouette – contrasting shade of gray)

Vertical: Centered between chine and bottom of the intake

Horizontal: Centered between leading edge of left intake lip and left weapons bay

**UNIT INDENTIFIER: 24 inches** 

NOTE: Unit designator and tail numbers will be applied in a contrasting shade of gray

Vertical: Bottom of letters applied 96.1 inches below top of vertical stabilizer

Horizontal: Bottom leading edge of first letter is applied 28.8 inches aft of vertical stabilizer leading edge

**PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:** 1.75 inches, utilizing Gerber mask (contrasting shades of gray)

Pilot: Justified to forward edge of left nose landing gear door

Crew Chief: Justified to forward edge of right nose landing gear door

NOTE: During exercises, the AMU puts a write-up in the forms (IMIS) and is signed off as "Exercise, pilot and crew chiefs names simulated, removed IAW 1-1-8, re-apply names after combat deployment."

**NOSE NUMBER:** 4 inches (contrasting shade of gray)

Last three/four digits applied vertically above left and right avionics bay panels (4135 & 4165). The number will begin three inches in front of the forward most portion of the formation light and centered vertically with the formation light.

TAIL STRIPE: 6 inches in width

Any design applied in contrasting shades of gray applied to the upper most elements on both sides of the vertical stabilizers.

## F-35

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** Overall height is 12 inches (silhouette - contrasting shade of gray); bottom of the insignia will be centered 47 inches above the bottom edge of the blackboard and centered fore to aft in the vertical stabilizer blackboard area.

**WING INSIGNIA:** Overall height is 12 inches (silhouette - contrasting shade of gray); insignia will be centered within the blackboard area on the right side inlet below the chine and formation light.

**SQUADRON INSIGNIA:** Overall height is 12 inches (silhouette - contrasting shade of gray); insignia will be centered within the blackboard area on the left side inlet below the chine and formation light.

**UNIT INDENTIFIER:** Overall height is 12 inches (silhouette - contrasting shade of gray); bottom of the designator will be centered 25 inches above the bottom edge of the vertical stabilizer blackboard.

**TAIL STRIPE:** Not authorized for F-35 aircraft.

**TAIL NUMBERS:** Overall height is 6 inches (silhouette - contrasting shade of gray); bottom of the tail number will be centered 2 inches above the bottom edge and 2.6 inches from the inner most trailing edge corner of the vertical blackboard area.

**NAF, WG, OP GP, OP SQ, TAIL IDENTIFIER:** (Used only on flagship aircraft) Overall height is 6 inches (silhouette - contrasting shade of gray); bottom of the identifier will be 14 inches above the bottom edge of blackboard area, centered between forward and aft blackboard edges.

**PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:** Two inches in height; Pilot: End of name will be located two inches forward of inboard aft apex (BL 0) and two inches from BL 0 door edge (left NLG door); Crew Chief: Beginning of name/rank will be located two inches forward of inboard aft apex (BL 0) and two inches from BL 0 edge (right NLG door).

**NOSE NUMBERS:** Overall height is 4 inches (contrasting shade of gray); nose numbers will be located four inches from the inboard door forward apex (BL 0) and two inches from BL 0 door edge.

**NOTE:** All lettering/numbering applied to F-35 blackboard areas will meet vertical block type/style font/lettering and Arabic numerals as specified in Technical Order 1-1-8, Appendix B, Figure B-3 (Form of Letters and Numerals) or similar computer generated font.

## **HH-60**

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 10 inches (subdued)

Left side: 11 inches below WL 319.633 centered Right side: 7 inches below WL 319.633 centered

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 10 inches (subdued)

Wing: On right cargo door 8 inches below forward window, centered

Squadron: On left cargo door, 8 inches below forward window, centered

**UNIT IDENTIFIER:** 9 inches

Left side: Positioned 21.5 inches below WL 319.633, centered Right side: Positioned 19 inches below WL 319.633, centered

## PILOT/AIRCREW/CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot: Right door, 2.5 inches below window, centered

Copilot: Left door, 2.5 inches below window, centered

Crew chief/assistant: Crew chief, right cargo door, 3.1 inches below and centered on forward

window

Assistant: Left cargo door, 3.1 inches below and centered on forward window

# **UNIQUE COMMAND COLOR SCHEME:** Gray only

**HELICOPTER ROTOR MARKINGS:** All helicopter rotor markings will be in accordance with T.O. 1-1-8 and applicable weapons system technical data.

## **KC-135**

(PACAF): This specific guidance is non-applicable, follow current guidance for markings of MAF aircraft.

# **COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 24 inches (subdued)

On both sides of tail, command insignia will be located 24 inches below tail stripe and 17 inches in from leading edge of tail

# **ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 24 inches (subdued)

Left side of forward fuselage: 2 inches above the crew chief block, centered on the crew chief block

#### **UNIT INDENTIFIER:** 36 inches

Left Side: Located 24 inches down from bottom of command insignia. Last letter of designator will end 17 inches in from leading edge of tail

Right Side: Located 24 inches down from bottom of command insignia. Last letter of designator will end 17 inches in from leading edge of tail.

## PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot/aircrew: Centered under the pilots side window

Crew chief/assistant names in 18 inch by 36 inch block, 6-10 inches aft of crew entry door, top of block flush with top of door

#### **NOSE NUMBERS:** 6 inches

Last three/four digits of tail number. Left side fuselage, located starting at station 277.0 and at WL 200.0. Right side fuselage, located starting on station 203.6 and WL 200.0

#### MC-12

## **COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 8 inches (flat black)

Top of insignia located 10 inches below the bottom of tail stripe, centered between leading edge vertical fairing seam and rudder leading edge.

# **ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 12 inches (flat black)

Wing patch will be centered 6 inches below front right corner and front left corner cockpit windows.

## **UNIT IDENTIFIER:** 10 inches (flat black)

Located 21 inches below the command insignia, centered between leading edge vertical fairing seam and rudder leading edge.

# **PILOT AND CREW NAMES:** 1.5 inches (flat black)

Aircraft Commander, Pilot, and Crew names will be located on the left fuselage, left side of the crew door centered between bottom and top of the door opening. All names will be standard military block.

## **NOSE NUMBERS:** 4 inches (flat black)

Not to exceed last four digits of tail number horizontally centered on forward edge of left and right nose gear door

# MQ-1

## **COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 10 inches (subdued).

Vertical: Top of insignia 6-inches below top-edge of tail plane exterior surface

Horizontal: Centered between tail plane leading and trailing edges perpendicular to tail plane trailing edge

# **ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 10 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Bottom edge of insignia 4.5 inches above chine line right side of fwd fuselage

Horizontal: Centered between leading edge of wing and aft edge of front avionics bay access hatch

# **SQUADRON INSIGNIA/PATCH:** 10 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Bottom edge of insignia 4.5 inches above chine line left side of fwd fuselage

Horizontal: Centered between leading edge of wing and aft edge of forward avionics bay access hatch

# **UNIT INDENTIFIER:** 10 inches (flat black)

Centered vertical and horizontal on tail planes outboard surfaces leveled perpendicular to tail plane trailing edge.

**CREW NAMES:** 1.75-inch block letters (flat black)

PILOT: Located on left side of forward fuselage

Vertical: 1 inch below front avionics bay access hatch

Horizontal: Centered between aft and forward edges of front avionics bay access hatch

Example: PILOT CAPT JOHN SMITH

SENSOR OPERATOR NAME (SO): Located on left side of forward fuselage

Vertical: 3.25 inches below front avionics bay access hatch (0.5 inch below pilot name).

Horizontal: Left edge aligned with left edge of pilot name or centered under pilot name, which

ever presents the most professional appearance based on individual name lengths

Example: SO SSGT JANE DOE

DEDICATED CREW CHIEF (DCC): Located on right side of forward fuselage

Vertical: 1 inch below front avionics bay access hatch

Horizontal: Centered between aft and forward edges of front avionics bay access hatch

Example: DCC SSGT JOHN SMITH

ASSISTANT DEDICATED CREW CHIEF (ADCC): Located on right side of forward fuselage

Vertical: 3.25 inches below front avionics bay access hatch (0.5 inch below DCC name)

Horizontal: Left edge aligned with left edge of DCC name or centered under DCC name, which

ever presents the most professional appearance based on individual name lengths

Example: ADCC SRA JANE DOE

**RADIO CALL NUMBERS:** 1.6 inch block letters AF over 1.6 inch numbers (year designator) followed by 4 inch numbers (last three numbers in aircraft serial number) (Flat black)

Located on the left and right sides of the aft fuselage

Left side vertical: 2 inches below upper edge of rear avionics bay access hatch

Left side horizontal: 1 inch forward of engine air inlet

Right side vertical: 1 inch above network junction access hatch

Right side horizontal: 4 inches forward of lower engine cowling

Alignment: Parallel to the fuselage chime line

NATIONAL STAR INSIGNIA: 8 inches (subdued)

Fuselage placement: Located on left and right sides of aft fuselage

Vertical: 6 inches above chine line

Horizontal: 54 inches forward of tail plane leading edge

Wing placement: Located on top of left wing and bottom of right wing

Placement: Centered on chord line 8 feet from wing tip

Alignment: Parallel to the main wing spar line

**PROPELLER TIP BLADE:** 4-inch band around blade tip (flat yellow)

## **MQ-9**

**COMMAND INSIGNIA**: 10 inches (subdued).

Vertical: Top of insignia 12-inches below bottom-edge of tail stripe on upper tails

Horizontal: Centered between leading and trailing edges of upper tails with top edge parallel to

tail stripe

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA**: 10 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Bottom edge of insignia 4 inches above chine line right side of fwd fuselage

Horizontal: Centered between leading edge of wing and aft edge of radome cover

**SQUADRON INSIGNIA**: 10 inches (subdued)

Vertical: Bottom edge of insignia 4 inches above chine line left side of fwd fuselage.

Horizontal: Centered between leading edge of wing and aft edge of radome cover.

**UNIT INDENTIFIER**: 10 inches (flat black)

Vertical: Bottom edge of unit designator 44" from base of upper tails

Horizontal: Centered between leading and trailing edge surfaces on upper vertical tail

leveled parallel with tail stripe

**PILOT NAMES**: 1.75-inch block letters (flat black)

Located on left side of forward fuselage

Vertical: 2 inches below chine line

Horizontal: Starting at aft edge of lower radome cover justified forward

Example: PILOT CAPT JOHN SMITH

**SENSOR OPERATOR (SO) NAME:** 

Vertical: 0.5 inches below pilot name

Horizontal: Starting at aft edge of lower radome cover justified forward

Example: SO SSGT JANE DOE

**GROUND CREW NAMES**: 1.75-inch block letters (flat black)

DEDICATED CREW CHIEF (DCC): Located on right side of forward fuselage

Vertical: 2 inches below chine line

Horizontal: End of name starting at aft edge of lower radome cover with left edge aligned with

left edge of ADCC name. DCC and ADCC names justified aft as a group.

Example: DCC SSGT JOHN SMITH

ASSISTANT DEDICATED CREW CHIEF (ADCC):

Vertical: 0.5 inches below DCC name

Horizontal: End of name starting at aft edge of lower radome cover with left edge aligned with

left edge of DCC name. DCC and ADCC names justified aft as a group.

Example: ADCC SRA JANE DOE

NATIONAL STAR INSIGNIA: 10 inches (subdued)

Fuselage placement: Located on left and right sides of aft fuselage

Vertical: 4 inches above chine line

Horizontal: 23 inches forward of upper vertical tail leading edge to end of decal

Wing placement: Located on top of left wing and bottom of right wing

Placement: Centered on chord line 12 feet from wing tip to outer edge of decal

Alignment: Parallel to the main wing spar line

**RADIO CALL NUMBERS**: 3.5 inch block letters, AF over 3.5 inch numbers (year designator)

followed by 8 inch numbers (last three numbers in aircraft serial number) (Flat black)

Horizontal: Located on the left and right sides of the lower tail leveled 4 inches below

fuselage

Alignment: Centered between leading and trailing edge of rudder

**PROPELLER BLADE TIPS**: 4-inch band around blade tips (flat yellow)

**QF-4E** (Unrestricted Manned flyers only)

**COMMAND INSIGNIA**: 15 inches (full color)

Alignment: ½ inch from bottom of bellows ram air inlet panel, centered on weld

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA/PATCH**: 18 inches (full color)

53 WEG patch Located on right intake

**SQUADRON INSIGNIA/PATCH**: 18 inches (full color)

82 ATRS patch Located on left intake

**UNIT INDENTIFIER**: (TD or HD) 24 inches (gloss black or gloss white)

Alignment: 4 inches from tail stripe, 10 inches from leading edge

**NOSE NUMBER**: 6 inches (semi-gloss black)

AF then 3 digit drone production number on left and right ram air intakes

**UNIQUE INSIGNIA/PATCH**: 18 inches (full color)

Located on left intake in place of squadron insignia/patch

**RADIO CALL NUMBERS**: 1.6 inch block letters AF over 1.6 inch numbers (year designator) followed by 4 inch numbers (last three numbers in aircraft serial number) (semi-gloss black)

#### **NATIONAL STAR:**

Both sides of fuselage 30 inch star, under surface right, top surface left wing 45 inch star

**USAF**: 25 inches under surface left, top surface right wing

U.S. AIR FORCE: 12 inches both sides of fuselage

# **UNIQUE PAINT SCHEME:**

Aircraft painted in semi-gloss schemes representative of the evolution of the Phantom.

1960s painted in the Southeast Asia paint scheme

1970s painted the modified Southeast Asia wrap-around camouflage paint scheme

1980s painted in the European paint scheme

1990s painted Ghost gray to represent the Wild Weasel mission

**UNIQUE MARKINGS**: Shark teeth representing 23 FG

# RQ-4

**COMMAND INSIGNIA**: 16 inches (flat black)

Placement: Outboard side of both vertical stabilizers

Vertical: Centered between the top of the unit designator and the bottom of the tail flash

Horizontal: Centered between the stabilizer leading edge and the rudder leading edge

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:**

No organizational insignia will be placed on the RQ-4 aircraft

**UNIT INDETNIFIER**: 15 inches (flat black)

Placement: Outboard side of both vertical stabilizers

Vertical: Located 59 inches below the tail flash

Horizontal: Centered between the stabilizer leading edge and the rudder leading edge

**PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES** (if applied): 1.75 inches (flat black)

Pilot name centered right side main landing gear door 4 inches aft of nose numbers.

Crew chief names centered left side main landing gear door 4 inches aft of nose

numbers

**NOSE NUMBERS**: 3 inches (flat black)

Last four digits on leading edge of both nose landing gear doors

RADIO CALL NUMBERS: 8 inches (flat black) Last two of year and last four of serial number

Placement: Outboard side of both vertical stabilizers

Vertical: Bottom edges of numbers are 25.5 inches at forward edge, 20.25 inches at

trailing above lower stabilizer attach joint

Horizontal: 1.75 inches aft of leading edge to 2" forward of rudder attach point

NATIONAL STAR INSIGNIA: 18 inches (flat black)

Fuselage placement: Located on left and right sides of aft fuselage

Vertical: Centered on the engine cowling door

Horizontal: Centered on the engine cowling door

Wing placement: Located on top of left wing and bottom of right wing

Placement: Centered on the outboard aileron Alignment: Parallel to the main wing spar line

T-38

**COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 10 inches (full color)

Vertical: Top of insignia 4 inches below anti-collision light

Horizontal: Centered on line with trailing edge of anti-collision light

**ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:** 10 inches (subdued/CTP, full color AT-38)

Vertical: Centered on 3 o'clock position (left) and 9 o'clock position (right)

Horizontal: Center of insignia 24 inches aft of intake lower opening

**UNIT INDENTIFIER:** 12 inches

Vertical: 4 inches below command insignia

Horizontal: Leading edge of first letter centered on command insignia

PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot: Name centered on left forward canopy rail

Crew Chief: Name centered on left aft canopy rail

Assistant Crew Chief centered on right aft canopy rail.

**NOSE NUMBER:** 4 inches

Last three/four digits of the tail number horizontally on both sides of nose gear door

# **UNIQUE PAINT SCHEME:**

Companion Trainer Program T-38 aircraft are authorized a gloss gray paint scheme, federal stock code number 16099.

#### U-2

## **COMMAND INSIGNIA:** 15 inches (flat red silhouette)

Top of insignia located 14 inches below the bottom of the tail stripe, the trailing edge of the insignia 11 inches in from the leading edge of the rudder.

# **ORGANIZATIONAL INSIGNIA:**

No organizational insignia will be placed on the U-2 aircraft.

# **UNIT INDENTIFIER:** 15 inches (flat red)

Located 14 inches below the command insignia. On the right side of the tail, the unit designator will start 7 inches in from the leading edge of the rudder. On the left side of the tail, the unit designator will end 7 inches from the leading edge of the rudder.

## PILOT AND CREW CHIEF NAMES:

Pilot, Crew chief and assistant names centered below the right canopy frame.

**NOSE NUMBERS:** 6 inches (flat red)

Last three digits centered on main landing gear door in front of the door composite area.

**Note:** National star markings are not applied due to geopolitical reasons per ACC/A4CQ. Command insignias and unit designators shall be removed from all U-2 aircraft prior to transfer to 1st Expeditionary Reconnaissance Squadron (1ERS).

## DISTINCTIVE UNIT IDENTIFIER REGISTRY

**A3.1.** Majority of MAJCOMs require assigned aircraft to hold unit identifiers as depicted in T.O. 1-1-8, Application and Removal of Organic Coatings, Aerospace and Non-Aerospace Equipment. The composite listing of distinctive unit identifiers (Table A3.1), shows past and current Air Force aircraft tail unit identifiers. The responsibility for keeping the registry current falls on ACC/A4M.

Table A3.1. COMPOSITE LISTING OF DISTINCTIVE UNIT IDENTIFIERS.

CODE	AIRCRAFT	UNIT/ LOCATION/ COMMAND			
AC	F-16C/D	177 FW Atlantic City, NJ (ANG)			
AF	T-41D, TG-10B/C, TG-14A, TG-15A/B, UV-18B	306 FTG USAF Academy, CO (AETC)			
	F-16C/D	354 FW Eielson AFB, AK (PACAF)			
AK	KC-135R	168 ARW Eielson AFB, AK (ANG)			
	E-3B/C, F-22A, C-12F	3 WG Elmendorf AFB, AK (PACAF)			
	F-22A	477 FG Elmendorf AFB, AK (AFRC)			
	C-17, C-130, HH-60	146 AW Elmendorf, AK (ANG)			
AL	F-16C/D	187 FW Montgomery Regional Apt, AL (ANG)			
AP	T-1A, T-6	479 FTG Pensacola NAS, FL (AETC)			
AT	F-16C/D	ANG/AFR Test Center (AATC) Tucson ANGB,			
AI		AZ (ANG)			
AV	F-16C/D	31 FW Aviano AB, Italy (USAFE)			
AZ	F-16C/D	149 FW Tucson IAP, AZ (ANG)			
	U-2S, TU-2S, T-38A, RQ-4,	9 RW Beale AFB, CA (ACC)			
	MC-12				
BB	RQ-4	9 RW, 69 RG Grand Forks, ND (ACC)			
ВВ	RQ-4	9 RW, Det 3, Anderson AB, Guam (ACC)			
	RQ-4	9 RW, Det 4, Sigonella NAS, Italy (ACC)			
BC	C-21	110 AW Battle Creek, MI (ANG)			
BD	A-10C, B-52H	917 WG Barksdale AFB, LA (AFRC)			
	MQ-1	163 RQS March ARB, CA (ANG)			
CA	F-16C/D	144 FW Fresno Aprt, CA (ANG)			
	MC-130, HH-60	129 RQW Moffett Field, CA (ANG)			
СВ	T-1A, T-6, T-38C	14 FTW Columbus AFB, MS (AETC)			
СН	MQ-1, MQ-9	432 WG Creech AFB, NV (ACC)			
CI *	C-130J	146 AW (AMC)			
CO	F-16C/D	140 FW Buckley ANGB, CO (ANG)			
CT	C-21/C-27J	103 AW Bradley IAP, CT (ANG)			
D	KC-135	100 AW RAF Mildenhall, England (USAFE)			
DC	F-16C/D	113 FW Andrews AFB, MD (ANG)			
DE *	C-130H	166 AW New Castle, DE (ANG)			

CODE	AIRCRAFT	UNIT/ LOCATION/ COMMAND					
DM	A/OA-10A/C	355 WG Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ (ACC)					
DM	EC-130H	55 WG Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ (ACC)					
DR	HH-60G	943 RQS Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ (AFRC)					
DY	B-1B	7 BW Dyess AFB, TX (ACC)					
ED	Various	412 TW Edwards AFB, CA (AFMC)					
EF	MQ-1	147 RQS Ellington Field, TX (ANG)					
EG	F-35	33 FW Eglin AFB, FL (AETC)					
EL	B-1B	28 BW Ellsworth AFB, SD (ACC)					
EN	T-6, T-37B, T-38C	80 FTW Sheppard AFB, TX (AETC)					
ET	F-15A/B/C/D/E, F-	46 TW Eglin AFB, FL (AFMC)					
ET	16A/B/C/D, A-10C, UH-1N						
FC	UH-1N	58 SOW, Fairchild AFB, WA (AETC)					
FE	UH-1N	90 SPW F.E. Warren AFB, WY (AFSPC)					
Telle	F-15C/D, F-22A	1 FW Langley AFB, VA (ACC)					
FF	F-22A	192 FW Langley AFB, VA (ANG)					
FL	HC-130P/N, HH-60G	920 RQG Patrick AFB, FL (AFRC)					
FM	F-16C/D	482 FW Homestead ARS, FL (AFRC)					
FR	TH-1H	58 SOW, 23 FTS Fork Rucker, AL (AETC)					
FS	A-10C	188 FW Fort Smith MAP, AR (ANG)					
	HC-130P/N/J, HH-60G	23 WG Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ (ACC)					
FT	A-10C, HC-130P/N/J, HH-	23 WG Moody AFB, GA (ACC)					
ГІ	60G						
	HH-60G	23 WG Nellis AFB, NV (ACC)					
	E-8C	116 ACW Robins AFB, GA (ANG)					
GA	E-8C	461 ACW Robins AFB, GA (ACC)					
	C-130	165 AW Savannah Hilton Head Aprt, GA (ANG)					
HA *	KC-135	185 ARW Sioux City, IA (ANG)					
HD	QF-4	53 WEG, 82 ATRS Holloman AFB, NM					
нн	KC-135R, F-22A	154 WG Hickam AFB, HI (ANG)					
1111	C-17A, F-22A	15 AW Hickam AFB, HI (PACAF)					
HL	F-16C/D	388 FW Hill AFB, UT (ACC)					
IIL	F-16C/D	419 FG Hill AFB, UT (AFRC)					
	F-22A, T-38A, MQ-1, MQ-9	49 FW Holloman AFB, NM (ACC)					
НО	F-22A	44 FG Holloman AFB, NM (AFRC)					
	F-4E	Luftwaffe RTU Holloman AFB, NM					
HT	AT-38B; C-12J; F-15	46 TG Holloman AFB, NM (AFMC)					
HV	UH-1N	30 SPW Vandenberg AFB, CA (AFSPC)					
IA	F-16C/D	132 FW Des Moines, IA (ANG)					
ID	A-10C	124 FW Boise Air Term, ID (ANG)					
IL *	C-130	182 AW Peoria, IL (ANG)					
IN	A-10C	122 FW Fort Wayne, IN (ANG)					
JZ	F-15C/D	159 FW NAS JRB New Orleans, LA (ANG)					
KC	A-10C						

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KS	C-21A	314 AW Keesler AFB, MI (AETC)					
LA	B-52H	2 BW Barksdale AFB, LA (ACC)  IAAFA Lackland AFB TX (AFTC)					
LD	Various	IAAFA, Lackland AFB, TX (AETC) 56 FW Luke AFB, AZ (AETC)					
LF	F-16C/D	56 FW Luke AFB, AZ (AETC) 106 ROS F S. Gabreski Airport, NY (ANG)					
LI	HC-130P/N; HH-60G	106 RQS F.S. Gabreski Airport, NY (ANG)					
LN	F-15C/D/E, HH-60	48 FW RAF Lakenheath, UK (USAFE) 104 FW Barnes MAP, MA (ANG)					
MA	F-15C/D	104 FW Barnes MAP, MA (ANG) 175 WG Martin State Aprt, MD (ANG)					
MD	A-10C, C-27J						
MI	A-10C	127 WG Selfridge ANGB, MI (ANG)					
MM	UH-1N	341 SPW Malmstrom AFB, MT (AFSPC)					
	C-130H	133 AW Minneapolis-St. Paul IAP/ARS, MN					
MN		(ANG)					
	F-16C/D	148 FW Duluth IAP, MN (ANG)					
MO	F-15C/D/E	366 FW Mountain Home AFB, ID (ACC)					
MT	B-52H	5 BW Minot AFB, ND (ACC);					
	UH-1N	91 SPW Minot AFB, ND (AFSPC)					
NC *	C-130	145 AW Charlotte, NC (ANG)					
NM	F-16C/D	150 FW Kirtland AFB, NM (ANG)					
NV *	C-130	152 AW Reno, NV (ANG)					
NY	MQ-9	174 FW Hancock Field, NY (ANG)					
OF	OC/RC/TC/WC-135, E-4B	55 WG Offutt AFB, NE (ACC)					
		178 FW Springfield-Beckley MAP, OH (ANG)					
ОН	C-27J	179 AW Mansfield Airport, OH (ANG)					
	F-16C/D	180 FW Toledo Express Airport, OH (ANG)					
	E-3B/C, TC-18E	552 ACW Tinker AFB, OK (ACC)					
OK	F-16C/D	138 FW Tulsa Aprt, OK (ANG)					
	KC-135	137 ARW Tinker AFB, OK (ANG)					
	E-3B/C	513 ACG Tinker AFB, OK (AFRC)					
OS	A-10C, F-16C/D, HH-60G, U-	51 FW Osan AB, South Korea (PACAF)					
	2	52 YIG 05 FFR F 1' AFR FY (AGG)					
	F-15C/D/E, F-16C/D	53 WG – 85 TES Eglin AFB, FL (ACC)					
OT	A-10C, F-15C/D/E, F-16C/D,	53 WG – 422 TES Nellis AFB, NV (ACC)					
OT	F-22A	52 TEC 227 TEC D AED TV (ACC)					
	B-1B	53 TEG – 337 TES Dyess AFB, TX (ACC)					
PR *	B-52 H	53 WG – 49 TES Barksdale AFB, LA (ACC)					
PK *							
RA	T-1A, T-6, T-37B, T-38C, AT-38B, T-43A	12 FTW Randolph AFB, TX (AETC)					
RI *	C-130	143 AW Quonset State Airport, RI (ANG)					
SA	F-16C/D	149 FW Lackland AFB, TX (ANG)					
SC	F-16C/D	169 FW McEntire ANGB, SC (ANG)					
SD	F-16C/D	114 FW Joe Foss Field, SD (ANG)					
SI		183 FW Abraham Lincoln Capital Aprt, IL (ANG)					

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SJ	F-15E	4 FW Seymour Johnson AFB, NC (ACC)				
SP	A-10C, F-16C/D	52 FW Spangdahlem AB, Germany (USAFE)				
ST	Various	82 TW Sheppard AFB, TX (AETC)				
SW	F-16C/D	20 FW Shaw AFB, SC (ACC)				
TD	QF-4, E-9A	53 WEG, 82 ATS Tyndall AFB, FL (ACC)				
	MQ-1	147 RQS Ellington Field, TX (ANG)				
TX	F-16C	301 FW NAS Fort Worth JRB Carswell Field, TX				
		(AFRC)				
TX *	C -130	136 AW Fort Worth, TX (ANG)				
TY	F-22A	325 FW Tyndall AFB, FL (AETC)				
VN	T-1A, T-6, T-38C	71 FTW Vance AFB, OK (AETC)				
VT	F-16C/D	158 FW Burlington IAP, VT (ANG)				
WA	A-10C, F-15C/D/E, F-16C/D,	57 WG Nellis AFB, NV (ACC)				
	F-22A					
WI	F-16C/D	115 FW Truax Field, WI (ANG)				
WM	B-2A, T-38A	509 BW Whiteman AFB, MO (ACC)				
WP	F-16C/D	8 FW Kunsan AB, South Korea (PACAF)				
WR	E-8C, TE-8A	93 ACW Robins AFB, GA (ACC)				
WV *	C-130H	130 AW Charleston, WV (ANG)				
WW	F-16C/D	35 FW Misawa AB, Japan (PACAF)				
WY *	C-130	153 AW Cheyenne, WY (ANG)				
XL	T-1A, T-6, T-38C	47 FTW Laughlin AFB, TX (AETC)				
XP *	C-130	139 AW Rosecrans ANG, St Joseph, MO (ANG)				
YJ	C-12J, C-130H, UH-1N	374 AW Yokota AB, Japan (PACAF)				
ZZ	F-15C/D, E-3B/C, KC-	18 WG Kadena AB, Japan (PACAF)				
	135R/T, HH-60G					
	* = Unit Ident	ifier not currently used.				

## F-22 OUTER MOLD LINE AUDIT

- **A4.1.** The Low Observables Section is responsible to perform a Signature Assessment System (SAS) and aircraft Outer Mold Line (OML) audit on each assigned aircraft annually. The audit is used to confirm that damage defects entered in the SAS during daily OML inspections or damages removed from SAS during routine maintenance provide for an accurate representation of the LO system health. This can only be performed by physically matching aircraft damages with the entries in SAS. Errors identified during the audit must be recorded in the audit historical file and corrected in the SAS immediately. Any aircraft audit that results in a +15% or -15% SAS margin deviation indicates a potential deficiency with the OML inspection process. Maintenance supervisors with direct oversight of LO processes must ensure significant variances are understood and corrective actions, e.g., training, additional QA oversight, process changes, etc. immediately follow. Internal root cause analysis and corrective actions must be documented for historical purposes any time an audit exceeds the margin percentages outlined above. Units must also establish a local SAS management policy outlining the frequency of QA evaluations to ensure SAS data for each aircraft is accurate. Note: There is an unacceptable risk to aircraft radar cross section and aircraft survivability due to substandard maintenance practices or inaccurate maintenance documentation into the SAS. Aircraft scheduled for an audit should be identified during the monthly/weekly shared resources meeting.
  - A4.1.1. All aircraft scheduled to support a Theater Security Package/contingency deployment must not have an audit due within 30 days of arriving at the deployed location.
- **A4.2.** The following equipment is required to perform SAS margin audit:
  - A4.2.1. Miltope or Portable Maintenance Aid (PMA)
  - A4.2.2. Black marker
  - A4.2.3. Pen or pencil
  - A4.2.4. Fuselage station butt line chart
  - A4.2.5. Roll of tape (blue 3M 2090)
  - A4.2.6. Booties
- **A4.3.** The SAS and OML audit historical files: The SAS and OML audit files will be maintained for 5 years. Each audit file will include at a minimum:
  - A4.3.1. Name of person/s performing the audit
  - A4.3.2. Date of audit
  - A4.3.3. Pre-audit SAS margin percentage using sector with the highest number
  - A4.3.4. Post-audit SAS margin percentage using sector with greatest change, except in the case where a decrease in margin is greater than an increase in any sector. Sector increases are always more critical than sector decreases
  - A4.3.5. Number of new damages identified
  - A4.3.6. Number of previously repaired damages not removed from SAS

- A4.3.7. Number of duplicate entries identified
- A4.3.8. Root cause and corrective action when post audit results in a +15% or -15% change
- A4.3.9. An Audit Metric (Figure A4.1.) will be created and used to monitor OML inspection compliance.

Figure A4.1. F-22 OUTER MOLD LINE AUDIT.



# **DAILY SAS REPORTING METRICS**

**A5.1.** Fleet SAS margin numbers must be documented in a format similar to the chart below (Figure A5.1.). Key information includes SAS margin number for each aircraft, fleet SAS average and number of aero only panels. Fleet SAS average reported must not include non-possessed aircraft. This information must be disseminated within the wing MXG as required and MAJCOM F-22 Weapon System Team at least weekly.

Figure A5.1. Daily SAS Reporting Metrics.

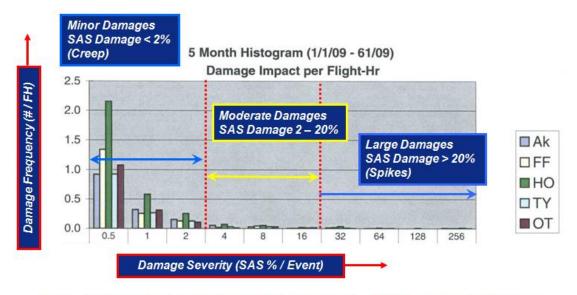
A/C HH YYY FW Fleet / Undated YY Jan 201Y as of YYYY						VVV			
XXXXXXXXX	197.17 A/O		1 (14 Jan)	XXX FW Fleet / Updated XX Jan 201X as of X			WX.		
XXAXXXX	78.75	PMP	1 (21 Dec)	55.46					
XXAXXXX	61.65	LMSS	(2122)	26.25					
XXAXXXX	61.65	A/O	_	30.26 35.93 35.93					
XXAXXXX	60.15	_	_	36.30	36.30				
XXAXXX	59.71	_	_	37.24	37.24				
XXXXXXX	55.87	_	_	37.72	37.72				
XXXXXXX	52.75	_	1 (13 Jan)	43.90					
XXXXXXX	52.56	_	_	44.31	44.3				
XXAXXXX	49.87	_	_	44.96					
XXAXXXX	49.65	_	_	47.92					
XXAXXXX	47.92			49.87		9.65 9.87			
XXAXXXX	44.96			52.56		52.56			
XXAXXXX	44.31	_		⊢ <u>52.75</u>		52.75			
XXAXXXX	43.90	_		55.87		55.87			
XXAXXXX	37.72	FLYER		59.71		59.71			
XXXXXXX	37.24			60.15 61.65		60.15			
XXAXXXX	36.30		_	61.65		61.65			
XXAXXXX	35.93	A/O		78.75		61.65	70-		
XXAXXXX	30.26	_		197 17			78.7	5	
XXXXXXX_	26.25	A/O	_	L	'		'		
Old A/C Average	55.46			0.00 20.00 % Margin	40.00	60.00	80.00	100.00	
		Possessed Fleet (21) 8A 8 Average =	55.46	Old A/C H8 AVG	Non-Poss		ssesse	essed Acft	
	Green =		20	SAS Avg =	55.46	Tail#	SAS	Status	
	Yellow=		0	Total qty =	21	XXXXXXX	75.27	SL	
	Red =		1	Red =	1	XXXXXXX	74.50	SL	
				Non-Red AO =	3	XXXXXXX	55.31	SL	
				Total Location SAS Compilant = 17		XXXXXXX	96.81	SL	
	Combined Possessed Fleet Avg			Non SAS Compliant =	1				
			41.30	Speedline Jets =	4				
				Aero Jets = 4					

#### **ATTACHMENT 6**

## SAS CREEP DESCRIPTION

**A6.1.** The chart below (Figure A6.1.) shows a categorization approach to optimize maintenance activities. It outlines three categories of damages, those with an impact greater than 20% (major "spikes"), those between 2% and 20% (moderate "routine") and those less than 2% (minor "creep"). Post flight OML inspections accomplished by the crew chief and/or LO personnel must identify any LO spike damages as soon as possible after flight if the aircraft is on the next day flying schedule.

Figure A6.1. SAS Creep Description.



Note: Actual chart includes all data (including SAS creep rate) by base

# SAS Creep = LO Damages 2% or Less

A6.1.1. The damage definition/SAS creep metric must be used to establish a battle rhythm for managing LO maintenance. Minor damages are repaired through scheduled SAS redux. Moderate damages should primarily be worked in groups in conjunction with other scheduled maintenance, e.g., Packaged Maintenance Plans, TCTOs, and panel removals to facilitate other maintenance. Any existing moderate damages should be the priority when performing scheduled SAS reduction efforts. Large damages driving significant increases in SAS must be fixed as soon as possible to manage SAS growth. In some cases it may be prudent to define large damages as >10 percent to effectively control SAS margins. This more aggressive approach is particularly beneficial prior to major deployments. Units have the option to define spikes as >10% if necessary to control spike growth, but the SAS creep definition provided above must be used in all cases.

A6.1.2. Use wing analysis and scheduling experts to help balance flying operations and LO maintenance events/downtime to best manage LO fleet health. Failure to effectively balance flying and LO maintenance requirements could lead to an uncontrollable LO backlog.

### ATTACHMENT 7

### CANOPY TRANSPARENCY COATING TRACKING

**A7.1.** Units will track canopy coating data in a format similar to the chart below (Figure A7.1.). The tracking sheet must also include transparency manufacture and damage information by placing a flag note in each block used to track canopy hours. This data is tracked to help units predict reliability. Canopy data must be disseminated to MXG supervisors, MAJCOM weapon system team and the LM canopy IPT at least weekly.

Figure A7.1. Canopy Transparency Coating Tracking.

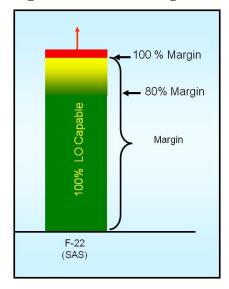
A/C	CANOPY HOURS	Visual Status	A/C	CANOPY HOURS	Visual Status	A/C	CANOPY HOURS	Visual Status	A/C	CANOPY HOURS	Visual Status
05-090	260.7	8	06-118	154.3	9	07-131	92.7		07-142	193	20
05-102	95.7		06-119	8.5	1	07-133	49.4		07-143	143	4
05-103	3.6		06-121	184.5	6	07-134	62.4		07-144	147.9	3
06-108	273	3	06-122	397		07-135	158		07-145	108.7	
06-110	73.5	2	06-123	192.9	12	07-136	85		07-146	214.1	6
06-112	76.3					07-137	23.8		07-147	293.1	15
06-113	189.1	4	06-126	148.7	2	07-138	179.4	2	07-148	283.8	10
06-114	380.3	10	06-127	112	5	07-139	75.7		07-149	139.8	2
06-115	152.6		06-129	114.5		07-140	167.7	25	07-150	96.7	2
06-117	111.3	1	06-130	58.8	1111	07-141	119.4	6	07-151	173.7	31
Canopy Hours				Visual Status							
1-99.9 Hours						Major Visual Anomalies					
100 - 199.9 Hours						Minor Visual Anomalies					
200+ - Hours						No Visual Anomalies					
					Number Inserted In Box = Repairs In Zone 1						

#### **ATTACHMENT 8**

#### SAS MARGIN DEFINITION

**A8.1.** The graphic below (Figure A8.1.) depicts the SAS margin scale used to determine mission capable status for the F-22 LO system.

Figure A8.1. SAS Margin Definition.



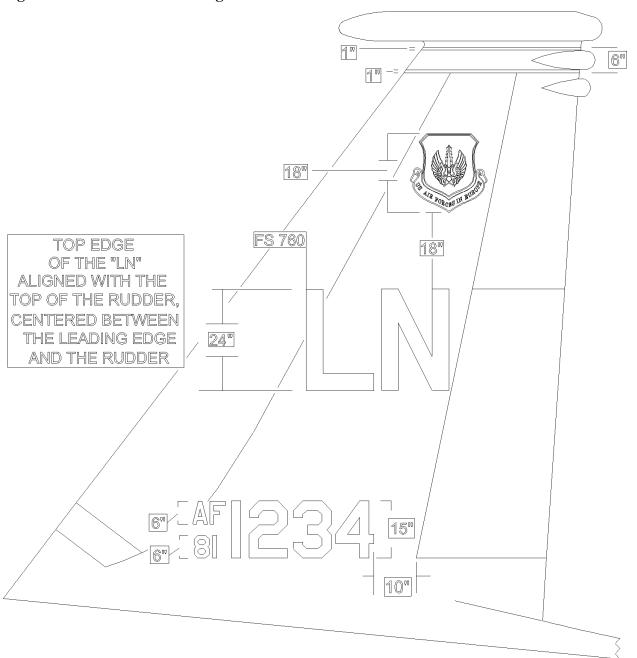
- A8.1.1. The LO margin for each aircraft is determined via OML inspection and use of SAS. An aircraft is fully mission capable for the LO system when the SAS margin is less than or equal to 100 percent. LO restoration is required when 100 percent SAS margin exceeded.
- A8.1.2. Manage fleet LO by taking advantage of opportunistic downtime or scheduling LO restoration time when RCS margin approaches unit determined threshold (typically around 80%). Fleet SAS margin averages should be maintained at or below 60 percent during peace time operations to effectively manage SAS margin growth. Utilize a SAS top 5/10 priority list or SAS priority screen to schedule LO maintenance events. Any top 5/10 priority list must be kept current for other opportunities such as FOM work, aero-coated panel restoration if aircraft is down, complete concurrent spike and moderate damage repairs.
- A8.1.3. SAS does not rank-order aircraft in terms of RCS.
- A8.1.4. SAS number does not correlate to an RCS pattern.
- A8.1.5. SAS is not a mission planning tool.

## **Attachment 9 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

## 48 FW STANDARD F-15 C/D/E TAIL CONFIGURATION

**A9.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A9.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the tail markings on non-Commander's designated aircraft.

Figure A9.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for Non-Commander's F-15 C/D/E Models.

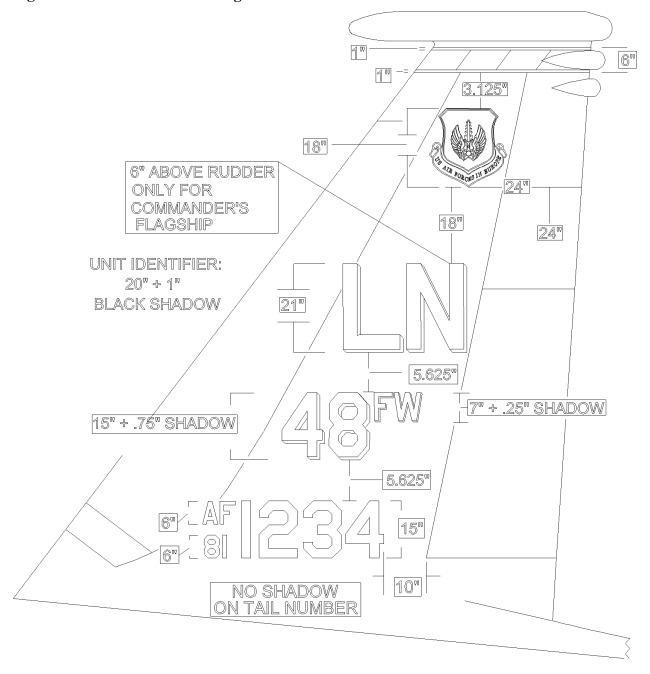


## **Attachment 10 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

# 48 FW COMMANDER'S JET TAIL CONFIGURATION

**A10.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A10.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the tail markings on the 48 FW Commander's designated aircraft.

Figure A10.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for 48 FW Commander's Aircraft.

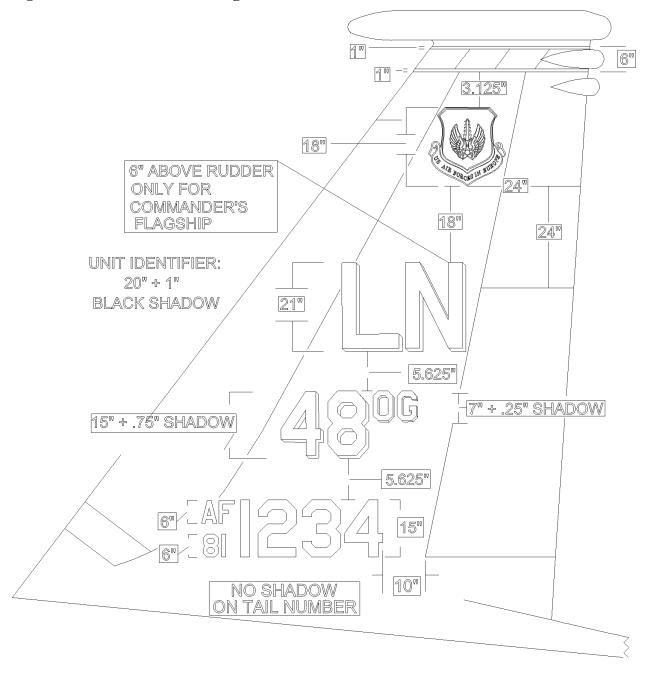


## **Attachment 11 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

## 48 OG COMMANDER'S JET TAIL CONFIGURATION

**A11.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A11.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the tail markings on the 48 FW Commander's designated aircraft.

Figure A11.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for 48 OG Commander's Aircraft.



# Attachment 12 (Added-LAKENHEATH)

## LEFT CFT FOR 48 FW AND 48 OG COMMANDERS' JET

**A12.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A12.1.) depicts a visual reference for the squadron patch order of precedence and location on the left CFT for 48 FW Commander's jet and 48 OG Commander's jet.

Figure A12.1. 48 FW Left CFT Paint Configuration for 48 FW & 48 OG Commanders' Aircraft.



# Attachment 13 (Added-LAKENHEATH)

## 48 FW AND48 OG COMMANDERS' JET RIGHT CFT:

**A13.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A13.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the tail markings on the 48 FW Commander's designated aircraft.

Figure A13.1. 48 FW Right CFT Paint Configuration for 48 FW & 48 OG Commanders' Aircraft.



# Attachment 14 (Added-LAKENHEATH)

## 48 FW AND 48 OG TAIL STRIPE:

**A14.1.** (LAKENHEATH) The graphic below (Figure A14.1.) depicts a visual reference for 48 FW & 48 OG Commanders' jet tail stripe.

Figure A14.1. 48 FW Right CFT Paint Configuration for 48 FW & 48 OG Commanders' Aircraft.

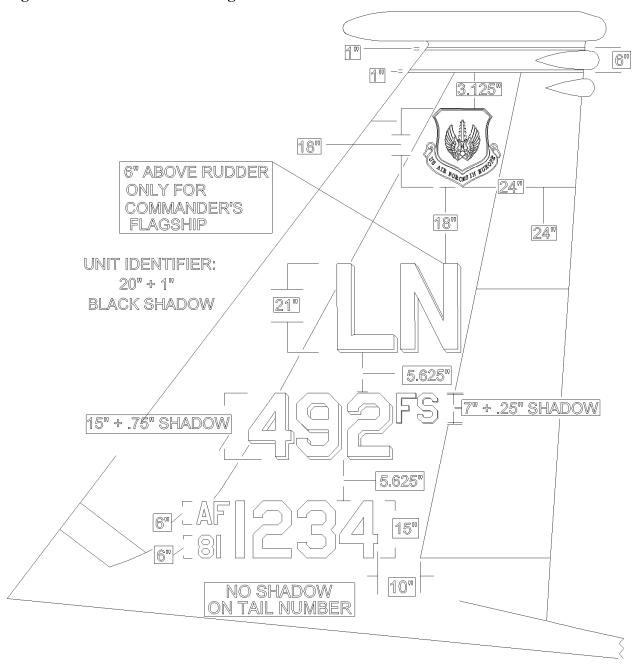


## **Attachment 15 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

### **492 COMMANDER'S JET TAIL CONFIGURATION**

**A15.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A15.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the tail markings on the 492 FS Commander's designated aircraft.

Figure A15.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for 492 FS Commander's Aircraft.

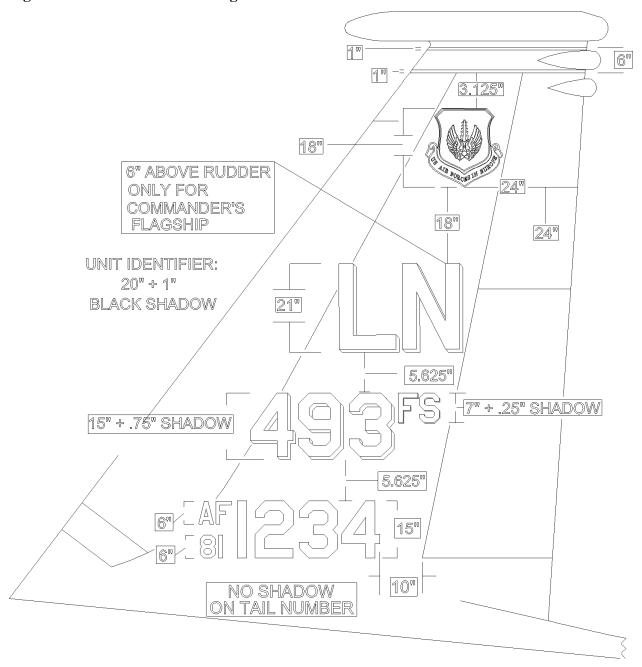


## **Attachment 16 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

### 493 COMMANDER'S JET TAIL CONFIGURATION

**A16.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A16.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the tail markings on the 493 FS Commander's designated aircraft.

Figure A16.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for 493 FS Commander's Aircraft.

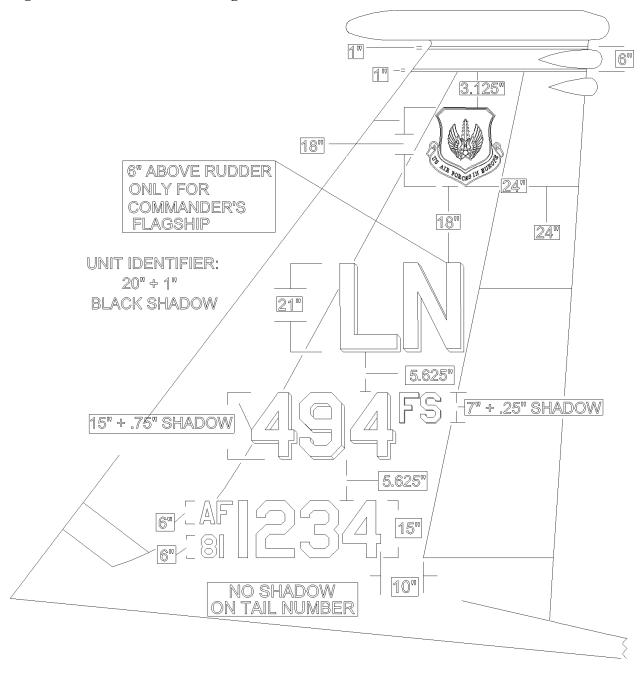


## **Attachment 17 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

## 494 COMMANDER'S JET TAIL CONFIGURATION

**A17.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A17.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the tail markings on the 492 FS Commander's designated aircraft.

Figure A17.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for 494 FS Commander's Aircraft.

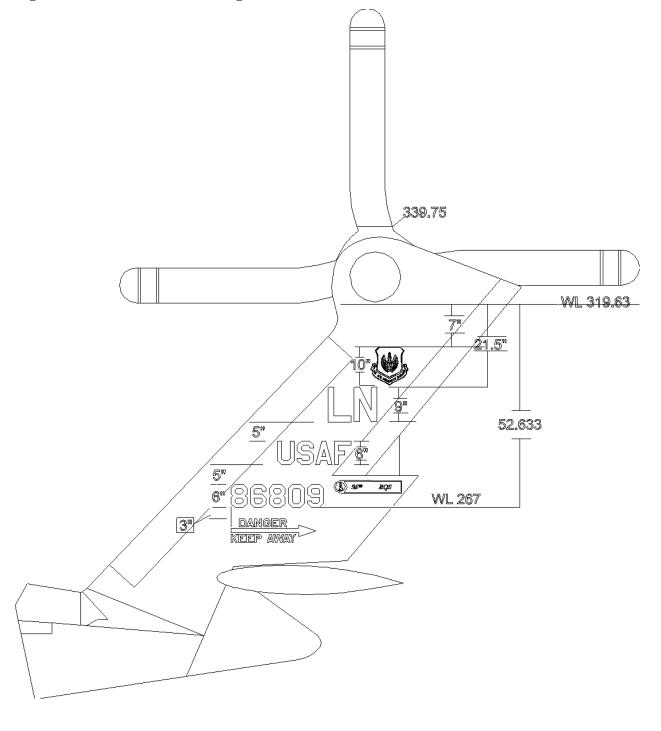


# Attachment 18 (Added-LAKENHEATH)

## **56 HMU LEFT TAIL**

**A18.1.** (LAKENHEATH) The graphic below (Figure A18.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the left tail markings on HH-60 aircraft for 48 FW.

Figure A18.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for HH-60 Left Tails.

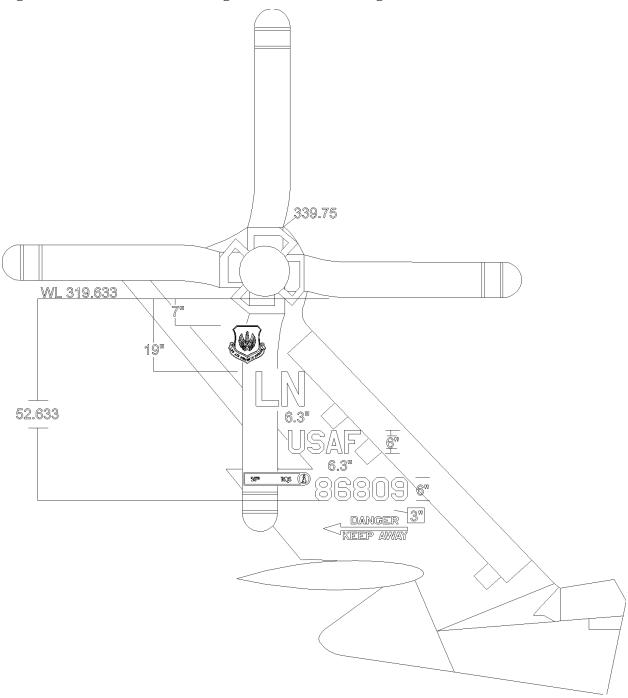


# Attachment 19 (Added-LAKENHEATH)

## **56 HMU RIGHT TAIL**

**A19.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A19.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the right tail markings on HH-60 aircraft for 48 FW.

Figure A19.1. 48 FW Tail Configuration for HH-60 Right Tails.

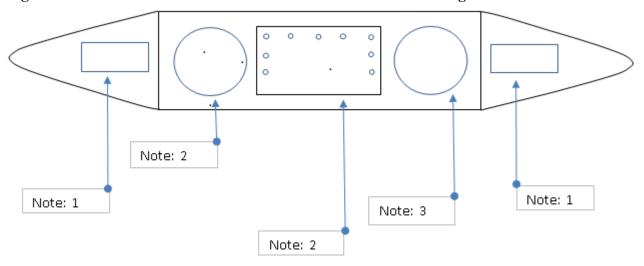


### **Attachment 20 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

#### RAF LAKENHEATH TRAVEL POD MARKINGS

**A20.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A20.1.) depicts the measurement and proper placement for the markings on 48 FW & 48 OG travel pods.

Figure A20.1. 48 FW & 48 OG Commander's Travel Pod Markings.



### **Notes:**

- 1. Center unit specific icon between front/Tail cone seam and forward/aft body seam.
- 2. Center the forward unit emblem between forward body seam and cargo door. 492 FS/CC and 493 FS/CC = 10 inch squadron emblem. 48 FW/CC, 48 OG/CC = 10 inch full-color USAFE emblem.
- 3. center the aft unit emblem between cargo door and aft body seam. 492 FS/CC, 493 FS/CC, 494 OG/CC, 48 OG/CC = 10 inch 48 FW emblem. 48 FW/CC = 10 inch full-color 48 FW emblem
- **4.** center names on cargo door; style, color and size of letters will conform to paragraph 3.14.3.6.1.

## **Attachment 21 (Added-LAKENHEATH)**

## RAF LAKENHEATH PAINT IDENTIFICATION BLOCK

**A21.1.** (**LAKENHEATH**) The graphic below (Figure A21.1.) depicts the 48 FW paint identification block. This stencil will be added to every aircraft that is overcoated by the 48 FW.

Figure A21.1. 48 FW Paint Identification Block.

