

354th MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS SQUADRON

MISSION

Orchestrates the Maintenance Group's production effort and coordinates wing resources in support of peace/wartime operations for 22 F-16 and 22 A/OA-10. Supports an annual flying hour program of over 13,000 hours/8,000 sorties. Directs maintenance training, analysis, and command and control activities. Provides administrative/technical support for the group. Deploys to support expeditionary ops worldwide.

LINEAGE

354th Air Base Squadron constituted, 28 May 1942

Activated, 10 Jun 1942

Redesignated 354th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron, 13 Jun 1942

Disbanded, 1 Apr 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 354th Logistics Support Squadron, 1 Aug 1993

Activated, 20 Aug 1993

Redesignated 354th Maintenance Operations Squadron, 8 Jul 2002

STATIONS

Gowen Field, Idaho, 10 Jun 1942

Salt Lake City AAB, UT, 8 Jul 1942

Sioux City AAB, IA, 17 Jul 1942

Eielson AFB, AK, 20 Aug 1993

ASSIGNMENTS

Second Air Force, 10 Jun 1942

354th Logistics Group, 20 Aug 1993-8 Jul 2002

354th Maintenance Group, 8 Jul 2002

COMMANDERS

Maj Carol A. Ostfeld, 20 Aug 1993

Maj Kevin E. O'Connor, 29 Nov 1993

Cpt Orlando J. Papucci, 10 Mar 1995
Maj Alan S. Engler, 18 Jun 1996
Maj Sean P. Cassidy, 14 May 1998
Cap James D. Downard III, 15 Nov 1999
Maj David W. Brown, 29 Feb 2000
1Lt Robert C. Bearden, 9 Nov 2000
LTC Joseph F. Arata, 16 Jan 2001
Maj David R. Hunt Jr., 8 Jul 2002
Maj Frederick G. Plauman, 9 Jul 2004
Maj David A. Flippo, 7 Jul 2006

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II American Theater

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

11 Sep 00-10 Sep 02

17 Sep 03-16 Sep 05

EMBLEM



354th Logistics Support Squadron emblem: Azure, a terrestrial globe in sinister base Celeste land masses Vert, in dexter chief a flight symbol ascending bendwise sinister of the first issuing a contrail arcing to dexter base and terminating at dexter chief of the globe Or, and at chief point a mullet of the like, all within a diminished bordure Yellow. Attached above the disc a Blue scroll edged with a

narrow Yellow border and inscribed "354 MOS" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "EXCELSIOR" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The globe represents global operations capability of both the unit and the Air Force. The soaring aircraft ascending in orbit toward a solitary star is symbolic of the squadron's support of Air Force unity in defending the peace. (Approved, 30 Jul 1999)

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OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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