

434 MISSION SUPPORT GROUP

MISSION

The 434th Mission Support Group has a variety of squadrons which provide vital support to the 434th Wing and its KC-135 aircraft. The group is the parent organization for such diverse units as the security police flight, communications squadron, logistics readiness flight, aerial port flight, contracting flight, and the civil engineer squadron.

LINEAGE

434 Air Base Group, and activated in the Reserve established, 1 Jul 1949
Ordered to Active Service, 1 May 1951
Relieved from Active Duty, 15 Dec 1952
Inactivated, 1 Feb 1953
Activated in the Reserve, 1 Feb 1953
Ordered to Active Service, 28 Oct 1962
Relieved from Active Duty, 28 Nov 1962
Discontinued, and inactivated, 11 Feb 1963
Redesignated as 434 Combat Support Group, 20 May 1975
Activated in the Reserve, 1 Jul 1975
Redesignated 434 Support Group, 1 Feb 1992
Redesignated 434 Mission Support Group, 1 Oct 2002

STATIONS

Atterbury AFB, IN, 1 Jul 1949-22 Jan 1952
Lawson AFB, GA, 23 Jan 1952-1 Feb 1953
Atterbury (later, Bakalar) AFB, IN, 1 Feb 1953-11 Feb 1963
Grissom AFB (later, ARB), IN, 1 Jul 1975

ASSIGNMENTS

434 Troop Carrier Wing, 1 Jul 1949-1 Feb 1953
434 Troop Carrier Wing, 1 Feb 1953-11 Feb 1963

434 Tactical Fighter Wing (later, 434 Air Refueling Wing; 434 Wing; 434 Air Refueling Wing), 1 Jul 1975

COMMANDERS

Col Gerald F. Werth

Col Donald R. Ross, 1 Oct 1994-1995

Col Larry Alexander

Col Doug McHugh

Col Betty Bowen

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Sep 1988-31 Aug 1990

1 Jun 1992-31 Aug 1993

1 Sep 1994-31 Aug 1996

1 Oct 1998-30 Sep 2000

[1 Oct] 2000-11 Sep 2002

EMBLEM



Group will use the wing emblem with the group designation in the scroll.

434 Combat Support Group emblem: The pillar is a symbol of support and strength. The Air Force star atop the pillar symbolizes how the 434 Combat Support

Group supports the overall Air Force mission. Olive branches on either side of the Air Force Star represent peace, which the Air Force Reserve strives to maintain. The globe at the base of the design represents the ability of the 434 Combat Support Group to provide support on a global scale. The lightning bolts with arrowheads are symbols of U. S. airpower and how the 434 Combat Support Group plays a small but intensely vital role maintaining that power. The emblem design was created by Staff Sergeant Robert Moore

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

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Sources

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