

673 AIR BASE WING



MISSION

LINEAGE

673 Air Base Wing established, 14 Dec 2009
Activated, 24 Jun 2010

STATIONS

Elmendorf AFB, AK, 24 Jun 2010

ASSIGNMENTS

Eleventh Air Force, 24 Jun 2010

COMMANDERS

Col Robert Evans

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

Per pale Or and Azure, issuant from base in pale a column counterchanged supporting a sphere with axis palewise Light Blue, rimmed and gridlined of the second on the dexter portion and of the first on the sinister portion, on which are eight mullets of five points Argent forming the Big Dipper constellation and the North Star, in the sinister top of the sphere, flanked by stylized wing fesswise of the last a mullet of five points of the like bearing a torteau, in dexter base a stylized aircraft ascending bendwise of the second and in sinister base a lightning bolt Gules; all within a diminished bordure of the first. Attached below the shield, a White scroll edged with a narrow Blue and Yellow border and inscribed "673D AIR BASE WING" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force 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 constellation of stars draws heritage from the 5073d Air Base Group (Big Dipper) formerly stationed on Eareckson AB, Alaska. The additional guiding North Star with red dot symbolizes the forging of a new path providing installation support to a joint base. Its combination with the winged eagle signifies respect to former Alaskan Air Command and the continuing rich traditions within Eleventh Air Force. The globe represents the organization's impact in supporting worldwide missions, unfettered by geographical boundaries. Within the globe displays two mutually dependent sides representing Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, supporting the vital missions of both the Air Force and the Army. The pedestal uplifting the globe represents the foundation of joint basing, joint missions held together and supported by Wing. The four pillars of the column represent the unit's shared values: integrity, service before self, excellence, and courage. The aircraft represents the proud lineage of the United States Air Force, airpower, and the expeditionary means of deploying Airmen and Soldiers. The red lightning bolt symbolizes the proud tradition of the Army garrison that merged to establish the 673d Air Base Wing and the organization's readiness, speed, power, and aggressiveness in accomplishing its mission. (Approved, 22 Mar 2010)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The 673rd Air Base Wing has begun operations at Joint Base Elmendorf in Alaska. It is the supporting unit for the new joint installation created under BRAC 2005 by combining Elmendorf Air Force Base with Fort Richardson Army Garrison near Anchorage. Tuesday August 03, 2010

Air Force Lineage and Honors

Created: 12 Apr 2012

Updated:

Sources

Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.

The Institute of Heraldry. U.S. Army. Fort Belvoir, VA.