

673 CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

73 Installations Squadron, Depot constituted, 29 Dec 1950

Activated, 9 Jan 1951

Inactivated, 15 Nov 1953

Disbanded, 15 Jun 1983

5073 Engineering and Services Squadron designated and activated, 1 Jan 1990

Redesignated 673 Civil Engineering Squadron, 27 Jan 1992

Redesignated 673 Civil Engineer Squadron, 9 Mar 1994

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1995

73 Installations Squadron, Depot and 673 Civil Engineer Squadron consolidated, 22 Apr 2010

Consolidated organization designated 673 Civil Engineer Squadron

Activated, 24 Jun 2010

STATIONS

Kelly AFB, TX, 9 Jan-4 Jul 1951

Chateauroux Airdrome, France, 21 Jul 1951-15 Nov 1953

Shemya AFB (later, Eareckson AFS; Eareckson AS), AK, 1 Jan 1990-1 Apr 1995

Elmendorf AFB, AK, 24 Jun 2010

ASSIGNMENTS

73 Air Base Group, Depot, 9 Jan 1951-15 Nov 1953
5073 Air Base (later, 673 Air Base) Group, 1 Jan 1990-1 Apr 1995
673 Air Base Wing, 24 Jun 2010

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Oct 1990-30 Sep 1992

6 Apr 1993

1 Oct 1992-30 Jun 1994

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, as a chevron a lightning flash Gules, fimbriated Or, in chief a bull's head caboshed Gris, horned Argent, eyed of the second, snorting smoke clouds Proper, in base a drafting compass Silver Gray, detailed of the fourth, entwined an ax bendwise ax head of the like, detailed and handled of the fifth, surmounted by an aerial bomb descending bendwise sinister of the fourth; all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "READY AND RESOLUTE" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "673D CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON" in Yellow 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 bull's head represents the valor and bravery of the "Prime BEEF" (Prime Base Engineer Emergency Forces) personnel composing those flights. The chevron as lightning bolts represents the unit's support of combat missions with speed and efficiency. The tool cluster represents the interconnected yet distinctive missions of the flights within the unit. (Approved, 24 Jun 2010)

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OPERATIONS

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