

908 OPERATIONS GROUP



MISSION

The 908th Operations Group mission is to provide operational combat capability anytime, anywhere. The operations group has more than 225 members in and under its command, ranging from 170 traditional reservists down to a single civilian contractor, all of which play a role in enabling the group to accomplish its mission. A vast majority of those members belong to the three squadrons under the group. The group has approximately 10 people that work directly for it, and eight of them are fulltime members.

The 10 members who work directly for the group can be found in two different sections, either the Commanders Support Staff or the Group Standards and Evaluations section.

The Commander's Support Staff provides program oversight and compliance with Air Force and DoD policies, said Patton. They advise group and squadron leadership and ensure commander's guidance is clearly articulated across functional lines. They provide task management oversight, coordination authority, and other staffing synchronization. Specific roles and responsibilities include Executive Officer, Resource Advisor, Unit Deployment Manager, Group Training Manager, and Career Assistance Advisor.

The Standards and Evaluations section manages the aircrew standardization and evaluation program, which provides commanders the tools to validate the mission readiness and effectiveness of unit flying. In other words, they are responsible for creating, updating, reviewing, and maintaining documents in the flight evaluation folders, developing and distributing local flight crew information files, publishing electronic flight bag updates, and administering aircrew testing and flight evaluations to ensure compliance with operational and training directives, explained Patton.

LINEAGE

908 Operations Group established and activated in the Reserve, 1 Aug 1992

STATIONS

Maxwell AFB, AL, 1 Aug 1992

ASSIGNMENTS

908 Airlift Group (later, 908 Airlift Wing), 1 Aug 1992

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-130, 1992

COMMANDERS

Unkn, 1 Aug-1 Nov 1992

Lt Col Daniel J. Manix, 1 Nov 1992

Col John D. Bailey, 4 Sep 1993

Lt Col Diane Patton

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Aug 1992-31 Aug 1993

1 Oct 2003-30 Sep 2005

1 Oct 2009-30 Sep 2011

1 Jan 2014-31 Dec 2015

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OPERATIONS

Flew worldwide airlift missions including Bosnian relief effort.

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