

20th SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON



MISSION

The 20th Security Forces Squadron protects and defends Shaw AFB personnel and resources through the application of weapons systems security; police services; combat arms; information, industrial, and personnel security; military working dogs; air base defense; and antiterrorism operations 24 hours a day/seven days a week. The unit encompasses five installation entry points, a Visitor Control Center, law enforcement patrols, flight line security, an investigative branch, Combat Arms Training and the wing antiterrorism office.

Members of the unit conduct law enforcement and community policing functions throughout the base and the Shaw Military Family Housing community. This includes enforcing all speed limits and rules of the road. The Pass and Registration office, located in the Support Center building, issues all school passes and flight line badges. The Combat Arms Flight administers all weapons training to wing personnel and the armory handles the storage of personally owned weapons.

LINEAGE¹

Squadron "B", 20th Airdrome Group designated, 28 Jul 1947

Activated, 15 Aug 1947

Discontinued, 26 Aug 1948

20th Air Police Squadron, Fighter, Jet, constituted 15 Jun 1948

Activated, 24 Aug 1948

Redesignated 20th Air Police Squadron, 20 Jan 1950

¹ Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL. Unit yearbook. *20th Fighter-Bomber Wing*. 1953.

Redesignated 20th Security Police Squadron, 1 May 1967

Squadron "B", 20th Airdrome Group and 20th Security Police Squadron consolidated, 12 Oct 1984.

Consolidated squadron retains 20th Security Police Squadron designation.

Inactivated, 1 Jan 1994

Activated, 1 Jan 1994

Redesignated 20th Security Forces Squadron, 1 Jul 1997

STATIONS

Shaw Field (later, Shaw AFB), SC, 15 Aug 1947

Langley AFB, VA, 28 Nov 1951-22 May 1952

Wethersfield RAF Station (later, RAF Wethersfield), England, 1 Jun 1952

RAF Upper Heyford, England, 1 Apr 1970-1 Jan 1994

Shaw AFB, SC, 1 Jan 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

20th Airdrome (later, 20th Air Base; 20th Support; 20th Combat Support) Group, 15 Aug 1947

7320th Security Police Group, 1 Aug 1985

20th Security Police Group, 21 Oct 1988

20th Support Group, 31 Mar 1992-1 Jan 1994

20th Support (later, 20th Mission Support) Group, 1 Jan 1994

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Meritorious Unit Citation

1 Jun 2007-31 May 2009

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1956-30 Sep 1957

1 May 1963-31 Dec 1964

1 Jan 1965-31 Mar 1966

1 Jul 1968-31 Mar 1970

1 Sep 1970-30 Jun 1972

31 Mar 1973-30 Jun 1974

1 Jul 1977-30 Jun 1979
1 Jul 1981-30 Jun 1983
1 Jul 1987-30 Jun 1989
22 Jan-12 Mar 1991
1 Jul 1990-30 Jun 1992
1 Oct 1992-31 Dec 1993
1 Jan-31 Dec 1994
1 Jun 1997-31 May 1999
1 Jun 1999-31 May 2001

EMBLEM



Approved, 23 Apr 1964

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OPERATIONS