

## 57 AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



### MISSION

57 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron accomplishes on-equipment maintenance of assigned aircraft, to include aircraft servicing, before and after flight inspections, launch and recovery, munitions loading, and any unscheduled maintenance requirements that occur during the course of the flying day. The squadron includes the F-22 Raptor Aircraft Maintenance Unit (AMU), F-16C/D Tomahawk AMU, and F-16C/D Viper AMU.

### LINEAGE

57 Organizational Maintenance Squadron constituted, 20 Jul 1971  
Activated, 15 Aug 1971  
Redesignated 57 Aircraft Generation Squadron, 1 Jan 1978  
Redesignated 57 Sortie Generation Squadron, 15 Jun 1993  
Redesignated 57 Aircraft Generation Squadron, 1 Jul 1994  
Redesignated 57 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 16 Aug 2002

### STATIONS

Nellis AFB, NV, 15 Aug 1971

### ASSIGNMENTS

57 Fighter Weapons (later, 57 Tactical Training; 57 Fighter Weapons; 57 Fighter) Wing, 15 Aug 1971  
57 Logistics (later, 57 Maintenance) Group, 1 Nov 1991

### COMMANDERS

### HONORS

Service Streamers

## **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

#### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

18 Aug-25 Sep 1971

1 May 1975-30 Apr 1976

1 Jan 1984-31 May 1986

1 Jan 1987-31 Dec 1988

1 Jan 1989-31 Dec 1990

1 Jun 1995-31 May 1997

1 Jun 1999-31 May 2001

1 Jun 2001-31 May 2003

1 Jun 2003-31 May 2004

1 Jun 2004-31 May 2006

#### **EMBLEM**

Approved, 19 Nov 1979

#### **MOTTO**

#### **NICKNAME**

#### **OPERATIONS**

Nellis Inaugurates F-35 Maintenance Hangar Officials christened a new \$20.6 million F-35A Lightning II maintenance facility in a ceremony at Nellis AFB, Nev., last week. The 68,000 square foot aircraft maintenance hangar is the first designed specifically for the F-35 and is capable of handling six aircraft at any one time, according to contractor Maintenance Design Group's fact sheet. The air conditioned hangar features an integrated engine shop and overhead cranes to ease maintenance and increase work efficiency, according to a Nellis release. The 57th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Lightning Aircraft Maintenance Unit will support the Weapons School's future compliment of 24 F-35As, and approximately 150 flight and ground personnel, the release states. Nellis is slated to receive a total of 36 F-35As, with the remaining 12 supporting operational flight testing. Nellis' first F-35 touched down on base last March. Officials cut the ribbon on the Lightning AMU on March 18. 2014

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USAF Unit Histories

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#### **Sources**

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