

CURRENT NAVY AVIATION SQUADRON LINEAGE LIST  
HOW TO TRACE SQUADRON LINEAGE

1. The lineage and history of U.S. naval aviation squadrons has been a source of confusion since the birth of naval aviation in 1911. Much of this confusion arose from the terminology used by the Navy, the lack of a consistent policy in selecting the alpha-numeric designations for squadrons, constantly reusing the same letter and numeric designations, and the many establishments, redesignations and disestablishments of aviation squadrons.

2. When dealing with a squadron's lineage, the only correct terms to use are "establishment," "disestablishment" and "redesignation." The terms "commissioning" and "establishment" have been used interchangeably for years and that is incorrect. Only ships are commissioned, decommissioned and receive commissioning pennants. Squadrons have establishment and disestablishment ceremonies.

3. A unit's history and lineage begins when it is established and ends at the time it is disestablished. Determining a squadron's "family tree" may seem cut and dried, but that is not the case. A squadron may undergo numerous redesignations during the period between its establishment and disestablishment. A newly established squadron bearing the same designation of a unit that had previously existed may carry on the traditions of the old organization but it cannot claim the history or lineage of the previous unit. The same is true of U.S. Navy ships and, thus, the rationale for such a policy becomes apparent. For example, Ranger (CV 61) is the seventh ship to bear the name Ranger and may carry on the traditions of the previous six ships. Ranger (CV 61) is obviously not the same continental Navy Ship Ranger commanded by Captain John Paul Jones during the War of Independence. The history of Ranger (CV 61) begins with its commissioning date, not with the commissioning date of the first Ranger.

4. The most recent squadron with the designation Fighter Squadron One (VF-1) was established 1 October 1972 and disestablished 1 October 1993. It was the seventh squadron in the Navy to be designated VF-1. This squadron is not the same VF-1 that used the designation for the first time in 1922.

Designations, like ship's names, are reused again and again. If there is a break in the active status of a unit designation as a result of disestablishment, then there is no connection between the units bearing the same designation.

5. Another common problem area involved squadron insignia. The lineage or history of a squadron cannot be traced using only its insignia, because the same insignia may have been adopted and approved for official use by more than one squadron during different time frames. The insignia of a disestablished squadron may be officially approved for use by another squadron, but this does not confer upon the new squadron the right to the previous unit's history and lineage. The following outline of the Jolly Roger insignia is an example of the confusion that results if one attempts to trace the lineage and history of a squadron insignia without considering other factors.

6. VF-17 was established on 1 January 1943, and during World War II it produced an outstanding record as a fighter squadron. The Jolly Roger insignia for VF-17 was adopted during World War II. On 15 November 1946, all Navy squadrons were redesignated and VF-17 became VF-5B. Subsequently, it was redesignated VF-61 on 28 April 1948, and then disestablished on 15 April 1959. Commander Hoppe was the commanding officer of VF-61 when it was disestablished. The Jolly Roger insignia had been used by VF-17/VF-5B/VF-61 from 1943 until 15 April 1959.

7. On 2 July 1955, VA-86 was established and on the same day was redesignated VF-84. This squadron was equipped with the FJ Fury and adopted the nickname Vagabonds. An insignia consisting of a lightning bolt striking the world in the area of Norfolk, Va., with a sword behind the bolt, was approved on 27 September 1955. The squadron operated under this name and insignia until it replaced the FJs with F8U Crusaders in 1959. Commander Hoppe assumed command of VF-84 two days after the disestablishment of VF-61, the Jolly Roger squadron. He initiated the request to have VF-84 adopt the old Jolly Roger insignia, which had been used by VF-61 and was no longer active. This request was approved by CNO on 1 April 1960. There is no direct connection between the former Jolly Roger squadron (VF-17/VF-5B/VF-61) and VF-84, which adopted the Jolly Roger insignia. To further complicate a review of the records, there have been other squadrons with the designation VF-84. During World War II, a VF-84 was established on 1 May 1944, and disestablished 8

October 1945. Naval Air Reserve squadron VF-921 was called to active duty 1 February 1951, and was redesignated VF-84 on 4 February 1954. This squadron then became VA-86 on 2 July 1955. This occurred on the same day the current Jolly Roger squadron was established as VA-86 and immediately redesignated VF-84. Neither of these two VF-84 squadrons had any connection with the original Jolly Rogers. Thus, the present VF-84 operating with the insignia and title of Jolly Roger can lay claim to the traditions of VF-17, VF-5B and VF-61, if it wishes to do so, but can only claim a history which commenced on 2 July 1955, and it is not a direct descendant of the original Jolly Roger squadron.

8. A squadron's history and lineage covers only the period during which a unit is officially declared active (established by CNO), has personnel assigned to it, and is listed in the Naval Aeronautical Organization. When a squadron is disestablished, its history and lineage ends. If a squadron is redesignated while it is active, the lineage and history of the unit is carried on by the newly redesignated squadron. The following is an example of what occurs when a squadron is redesignated and its lineage and history remain unbroken:

The current VFA-25 was originally established as Torpedo Squadron 17 (VT-17) on 1 January 1943. On 15 November 1946, VT-17 was redesignated VA-6B and carried this designation until 27 April 1948, when it was redesignated VA-65. On 1 July 1959, VA-65 was redesignated VA-25 and the unit remained VA-25 until it was redesignated VFA-25 on 1 July 1983. The history and lineage of the present VFA-25 may be traced to 1 January 1943, because there was no break in active duty status of the squadron, even though its designation changed four times.

9. The current VFA-106 provides an example of what happens when a squadron is disestablished and then, years later, the same number is used again. This squadron was established at Naval Air Station (NAS) Cecil Field on 27 April 1984. VFA-106 adopted the old insignia of VA-106 and had it officially approved. The squadron may carry on the traditions of the old VA-106, but it cannot trace its lineage and history back to VA-106. The list of commanding officers for VA-106 is not part of the list of commanding officers for VFA-106. The history of VA-106 came to an end on 7 November 1969 when it was disestablished and its

personnel were transferred to other duty stations. At this time, VA-106 was removed from the active list in the Naval Aeronautical Organization.

10. The following is a list of the current Navy squadrons as of March 2011:

**Squadron Designation Changes in Squadron Designations Date of Change**

**Helicopter Combat Support Squadron (HC) (designation no longer in use)**

HC-2: (See HSC-2)

HC-3: (See HSC-3)

HC-4: HC-4 Established 6 May 1983  
HC-4 Deactivated 30 Sep 2007

HC-5: (See HSC-25)

HC-6: (See HSC-26)

HC-8: (See HSC-28)

HC-11: (See HSC-21)

HC-85: (See HSC-85)

**Helicopter Combat Support Special Squadron (HCS) (designation no longer in use)**

HCS-4: (See HSC-84)

HCS-5: HAL-5 Established 1 Mar 1977  
HAL-5 Redesignated HCS-5 1 Oct 1988  
HCS-5 Deactivated 31 Dec 2006

**Helicopter Mine Countermeasures Squadron (HM)**

HM-14: HM-14 Established 12 May 1978

HM-15: HM-15 Established 2 Jan 1987

**Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron (HS designation slowly  
changing to HSC)**

HS-2: (See HSC-12)  
HS-3: (See HSC-9)  
HS-4: HS-4 Established 30 Jun 1952  
HS-5: (See HSC-5)  
HS-6: HS-6 Established 1 Jun 1956  
HS-7: HS-7 Established 15 Dec 1969  
HS-8: (See HSC-8)  
HS-10: HS-10 Established 1 Jul 1960  
HS-11: HS-11 Established 27 Jun 1957  
HS-14: HS-14 Established 10 Jul 1984  
HS-15: HS-15 Established 29 Oct 1971  
HS-75: HS-75 Established 1 Jun 1970  
HS-75 Deactivated 1 Apr 2007

**Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC)**

HSC-2: HC-2 Established 1 Apr 1987  
HC-2 Redesignated HSC-2 24 Aug 2005  
HSC-3: HC-3 Established 1 Sep 1967  
HC-3 Redesignated HSC-3 31 Oct 2005  
HSC-5: HS-5 Established 3 Jan 1956  
HS-5 Redesignated HSC-5 28 Feb 2009  
HSC-8: HS-8 Established 1 Nov 1969  
HS-8 Redesignated HSC-8 1 Apr 2007  
HSC-9: HS-3 Established 18 Jun 1952  
HS-3 Redesignated HSC-9 1 Jun 2009

HSC-12: HS-2 Established 7 Mar 1952  
HS-2 Redesignated HSC-12 1 Jan 2009

HSC-21: HC-11 Established 1 Oct 1977  
HC-11 Redesignated HSC-21 7 Nov 2005

HSC-22: HSC-22 Established 1 Oct 2006

HSC-23: HSC-23 Established 1 Oct 2006

HSC-25: HC-5 Established 3 Feb 1984  
HC-5 Redesignated HSC-25 24 Oct 2005

HSC-26: HC-6 Established 1 Sep 1967  
HC-6 Redesignated HSC-26 24 Aug 2005

HSC-28: HC-8 Established 3 Dec 1984  
HC-8 Redesignated HSC-28 13 May 2005

HSC-84: HAL-4 Established 1 Jul 1976  
HAL-4 Redesignated HCS-4 1 Oct 1989  
HCS-4 Redesignated HSC-84 1 Oct 2006

HSC-85: HS-85 Established 1 Jul 1970  
HS-85 Redesignated HC-85 1 Oct 1994  
HC-85 Redesignated HSC-85 8 Feb 2006

**Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron (HSM)**

HSM-40: Established as HSL-40 4 Oct 1985  
HSL-40 Redesignated HSM-40 1 Nov 2009

HSM-41: Established as HSL-41 21 Jan 1983  
HSL-41 Redesignated HSM-41 8 Dec 2005

HSM-70: Established as HSM-70 1 Mar 2008

HSM-71: Established as HSM-71 1 Jan 2007

HSM-77: Established as HSL-47 25 Sep 1987  
HSL-47 Redesignated HSM-77 1 Feb 2009

**Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron Light (HSL designation slowly changing to HSM)**

HSL-37: HSL-37 Established 3 Jul 1975

HSL-40: (See HSM-40)

HSL-41: (See HSM-41)

HSL-42: HSL-42 Established 5 Oct 1984

HSL-43: HSL-43 Established 5 Oct 1984

HSL-44: HSL-44 Established 21 Aug 1986

HSL-45: HSL-45 Established 3 Oct 1986

HSL-46: HSL-46 Established 7 Apr 1988

HSL-47: (See HSM-77)

HSL-48L: HSL-48 Established 7 Sep 1989

HSL-49: HSL-49 Established 23 Mar 1990

HSL-51: HSL-51 Established 1 Oct 1991

HSL-60: HSL-60 Established 1 Apr 2001

HSL-84: HS-84 Established 1 Jul 1970  
HS-84 Redesignated HSL-841 Mar 1984  
HSL-84 Deactivated 30 Jun 2001

HSL-94: HSL-94 Established 1 Oct 1985  
HSL-94 Deactivated 1 Apr 2001

**Helicopter Training Squadron (HT) (formerly Helicopter Training Unit (HTU))**

HT-8: HTU-1 Established 3 Dec 1950  
HTU-1 Redesignated HTG-1 Mar 1957  
HTG-1 Redesignated HT-8 1 Jul 1960

HT-18: HT-18 Established 1 Mar 1972

HT-28: HT-28 Established 1 Nov 2006

**Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron (VAQ)**

Redesignated Electronic Attack Squadrons on 30 March 1998 (the VAQ designation remained the same. Some VAQ squadrons were previously Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadrons (VAW))

VAQ-128: VAQ-128 Established 1 Oct 1997  
VAQ-128 Deactivated 30 Sep 2004

VAQ-129: Heavy Attack Squadron-10 (VAH-10) Established 1 May 1961  
VAH-10 Redesignated VAQ-129 1 Sep 1970

VAQ-130: VAW-13 Established 1 Sep 1959  
VAW-13 Redesignated VAQ-130 1 Oct 1968

VAQ-131: VP-931 Reserve squadron to active duty 2 Sep 1950  
VP-931 Redesignated VP-57 4 Feb 1953  
VP-57 Redesignated VAH-4 3 Jul 1956  
VAH-4 Redesignated VAQ-131 1 Nov 1968

VAQ-132: VAH-2 Established 1 Nov 1955  
VAH-2 Redesignated VAQ-132 1 Nov 1968

VAQ-133: VAQ-133 Established 1 Apr 1996

VAQ-134: VAQ-134 Established 17 Jun 1969

VAQ-135: VAQ-135 Established 15 May 1969

VAQ-136: VAQ-136 Established 6 Apr 1973

VAQ-137: VAQ-137 Established 1 Oct 1996

VAQ-138: VAQ-138 Established 27 Feb 1976

VAQ-139: VAQ-139 Established 1 Jul 1983

VAQ-140: VAQ-140 Established 1 Oct 1985

VAQ-141: VAQ-141 Established 1 Jul 1987



VAQ-142: VAQ-142 Established 1 Apr 1997

VAQ-143: VAQ-143 Established 1 Aug 2002

VAQ-143 was on the books as being established on 1 August 2002 but funding for the squadron was never provided and shortage of aircraft made it impossible to effectively activate the command. The squadron was removed from the books Standard Navy Distribution List (SNDL) and the file closed on 12 November 2009.

VAQ-209: VAQ-209 Established 1 Oct 1977

**Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron (VAW)**

VAW-77: VAW-77 Established 1 Oct 1995

VAW-78: VAW-78 Established 1 Jul 1970  
VAW-78 Deactivated 31 Mar 2005

VAW-112: VAW-112 Established 20 Apr 1967

VAW-113: VAW-113 Established 20 Apr 1967

VAW-115: VAW-115 Established 20 Apr 1967

VAW-116: VAW-116 Established 20 Apr 1967

VAW-117: VAW-117 Established 1 Jul 1974

VAW-120: Carrier Airborne Early Warning Training Squadron  
(RVAW)-120 Established 1 Jul 1967  
RVAW-120 Redesignated VAW-120 1 May 1983

VAW-121: VAW-121 Established 1 Apr 1967

VAW-123: VAW-123 Established 1 Apr 1967

VAW-124: VAW-124 Established 1 Sep 1967

VAW-125: VAW-125 Established 1 Oct 1968

VAW-126: VAW-126 Established 1 Apr 1969

**Composite Squadron (VC designation no longer in use)**

VC-6: Utility Squadron (VU)-6 Established 1 Mar 1952  
VU-6 Redesignated VC-6 1 Jul 1965  
VC-6 Deactivated 30 Jun 2008

VC-8: Guided Missile Service Squadron 2 (GMSRON-2) established  
1 Jul 1958

GMSRON-2 Redesignated VU-8 1 Jul 1960  
VU-8 Redesignated VC-8 1 Jul 1965  
VC-8 Deactivated 1 Oct 2003

**Fighter Squadron (VF designation no longer in use)**

VF-2: (see VFA-2)

VF-11: (see VFA-11)

VF-14: (see VFA-14)

VF-31: (see VFA-31)

VF-32: (see VFA-32)

VF-41: (see VFA-41)

VF-101: VF-101 Established 1 May 1952  
VF-101 Deactivated 30 Sep 2005

VF-102: (see VFA-102)

VF-103: (see VFA-103)

VF-143: (see VFA-143)

VF-154: (see VFA-154)

VF-201: (see VFA-201)

VF-211: (see VFA-211)

VF-213: (see VFA-213)

**Strike-Fighter Squadron (VFA)**

- VFA-2: VF-2 Established 14 Oct 1972  
VF-2 Redesignated VFA-21 Jul 2003
- VFA-11: VF-43 Established 1 Sep 1950  
VF-43 Redesignated VF-11 16 Feb 1959  
VF-11 adopted the insignia used by the previous VF-11 which had been disestablished on 15 February 1959. The newly designated VF-11 (16 Feb 1959) carried on the insignia and traditions of the Red Ripper squadron dating back to 1 February 1927, but not the lineage.  
VF-11 Redesignated VFA-11 18 Oct 2005
- VFA-14: Air Detachment (AirDet), Pacific Fleet (PACFLT)  
Established Sep 1919  
Became VT-5, an element of AirDet, PACFLT 15 Jun 1920  
VT-5 Redesignated VP-4-1 7 Sep 1921  
VP-4-1 Redesignated VF-4 23 Sep 1921  
VF-4 Redesignated VF-1 1 Jul 1922  
VF-1 Redesignated VF-1B 1 Jul 1927  
VF-1B Redesignated Bombing VB-2B 1 Jul 1934  
VB-2B Redesignated VB-3 1 Jul 1937
- VB-3: Redesignated VB-4 1 Jul 1939  
VB-4 Redesignated Scouting VS-41 15 Mar 1941  
VS-41 Redesignated VB-41 1 Mar 1943  
VB-41 Redesignated VB-4 4 Aug 1943  
VB-4 Redesignated VA-1A 15 Nov 1946  
VA-1A Redesignated VA-14 2 Aug 1948  
VA-14 Redesignated VF-14 15 Dec 1949  
VF-14 Redesignated VFA-14 1 Dec 2001
- VFA-15: VA-67 Established 1 Aug 1968  
VA-67 Redesignated VA-15 2 Jun 1969  
VA-15 Redesignated VFA-15 1 Oct 1986
- VFA-22: VF-63 Established 28 Jul 1948  
VF-63 Redesignated VA-63 Mar 1956  
VA-63 Redesignated VA-22 1 Jul 1959  
VA-22 Redesignated VFA-22 4 May 1990
- VFA-25: VT-17 Established 1 Jan 1943  
VT-17 Redesignated VA-6B 15 Nov 1946

VA-6B Redesignated VA-65 27 Jul 1948  
VA-65 Redesignated VA-25 1 Jul 1959  
VA-25 Redesignated VFA-25 1 Jul 1983

VFA-27: VA-27 Established 1 Sep 1967  
VA-27 Redesignated VFA-27 24 Jan 1991

VFA-31: VF-1B Established 1 Jul 1935  
VF-1B Redesignated VF-6 1 Jul 1937  
VF-6 Redesignated VF-3 15 Jul 1943  
VF-3 Redesignated VF-3A 15 Nov 1946  
VF-3A Redesignated VF-31 7 Aug 1948  
VF-31 Redesignated VFA-31 1 Aug 2006

VFA-32: Close Combat Fighting (VBF)-3 Established 1 Feb 1945  
VBF-3 Redesignated VF-4A 15 Nov 1946  
VF-4A Redesignated VF-32 7 Aug 1948  
VF-32 Redesignated VFA-32 1 Aug 2006

VFA-34: VA-34 Established 1 Jan 1970  
VA-34 Redesignated VFA-34 30 Aug 1996

VFA-37: VA-37 Established 1 Jul 1967  
VA-37 Redesignated VFA-37 28 Nov 1990

VFA-41: VF-41 Established 1 Sep 1950  
VF-41 Redesignated VFA-41 1 Dec 2001

VFA-81: VA-66 Established 1 Jul 1955  
VA-66 Redesignated VF-81 on the same day, 1 Jul 1955  
VF-81 Redesignated VA-81 1 Jul 1959  
VA-81 Redesignated VFA-81 4 Feb 1988

VFA-82: VA-82 Established 1 May 1967  
VA-82 Redesignated VFA-82 15 Jul 1987  
VFA-82 Deactivated 30 Jun 2005

VFA-83: VF-916 Reserve squadron called to active duty 1 Feb  
1951  
VF-916 Redesignated VF-83 4 Feb 1953  
VF-83 Redesignated VA-83 1 Jul 1955  
VA-83 Redesignated VFA-83 1 Mar 1988

VFA-86: VF-921 Reserve squadron called to active duty 1 Feb 1951  
VF-921 Redesignated VF-84 4 Feb 1953  
VF-84 Redesignated VA-86 1 Jul 1955  
VA-86 Redesignated VFA-86 15 Jul 1987

VFA-87: VA-87 Established 1 Feb 1968  
VA-87 Redesignated VFA-87 May 1986

VFA-94: VF-94 Established 26 Mar 1952  
VF-94 Redesignated VA-94 1 Aug 1958  
VA-94 Redesignated VFA-94 24 Jan 1991

VFA-97: VA-97 Established 1 Jun 1967  
VA-97 Redesignated VFA-97 24 Jan 1991

VFA-102: VA-36 Established 1 Jul 1955  
VA-36 Redesignated VF-102 1 Jul 1955 (It should be noted that on the same day, 1 July 1955, the old VF-102 was redesignated VA-36. This unit is separate from the VA-36 that was established on 1 July 1955 and then immediately redesignated VF-102.)  
VF-102 Redesignated VFA-102 1 May 2002

VFA-103: VF-103 Established 1 May 1952  
VF-103 Redesignated VFA-103 27 Apr 2006

VFA-105: VA-105 Established 4 Mar 1968  
VA-105 Redesignated VFA-105 17 Dec 1990

VFA-106: VFA-106 Established 27 Apr 1984

VFA-113: VF-113 Established 15 Jul 1948  
VF-113 Redesignated VA-113 Mar 1956  
VA-113 Redesignated VFA-113 25 Mar 1983

VFA-115: VT-11 Established 10 Oct 1942  
VT-11 Redesignated VA-12A 15 Nov 1946  
VA-12A Redesignated VA-115 15 Jul 1948  
VA-115 was in an inactive status from August 1967 to 1 January 1970. It was not disestablished during this time frame and had a very limited number of personnel assigned to the squadron which was located at NAS Lemoore during the inactive period.

VA-115 Reactivated 1 Jan 1970  
VA-115 Redesignated VFA-115 30 Sep 1996

VFA-122: VFA-122 Established 1 Oct 1998

VFA-125: VFA-125 Established 13 Nov 1980  
VFA-125 Deactivated 1 Oct 2010

VFA-131: VFA-131 Established 3 Oct 1983

VFA 136: VFA-136 Established 1 Jul 1985

VFA-137: VFA-137 Established 1 Jul 1985

VFA-143: VF-871 Reserve squadron called to active duty 20 Jul  
1950  
VF-871 Redesignated VF-123 4 Feb 1953  
VF-123 Redesignated VF-53 12 Apr 1958  
VF-53 Redesignated VF-143 20 Jun 1962  
VF-143 Redesignated VFA-143 27 Apr 2006

VFA-146: VA-146 Established 1 Feb 1956  
VA-146 Redesignated VFA-146 21 Jul 1989

VFA-147: VA-147 Established 1 Feb 1967  
VA-147 Redesignated VFA-147 20 Jul 1989

VFA-151: VF-23 Established 6 Aug 1948  
VF-23 Redesignated VF-151 23 Feb 1959  
VF-151 Redesignated VFA-151 1 Jun 1986

VFA-154: VF-837 Reserve squadron called to active duty 1 Feb  
1951  
VF-837 Redesignated VF-154 4 Feb 1953  
VF-154 Redesignated VFA-154 1 Oct 2003

VFA-192: VF-153 Established 26 Mar 1945  
VF-153 Redesignated VF-15A 15 Nov 1946  
VF-15A Redesignated VF-151 15 Jul 1948  
VF-151 Redesignated VF-192 15 Feb 1950  
VF-192 Redesignated VA-192 15 Mar 1956  
VA-192 Redesignated VFA-192 10 Jan 1985

VFA-195: VT-19 Established 15 Aug 1943  
VT-19 Redesignated VA-20A 15 Nov 1946  
VA-20A Redesignated VA-195 24 Aug 1948  
VA-195 Redesignated VFA-195 1 Apr 1985

VFA-201: VF-201 Established 25 Jul 1970  
VF-201 Redesignated VFA-201 1 Jan 1999  
VFA-201 Deactivated 30 Jun 2007

VFA-203: VA-203 Established 1 Jul 1970  
VA-203 Redesignated VFA-203 1 Oct 1989  
VFA-203 Deactivated 30 Jun 2004

VFA-204: VA-204 Established 1 Jul 1970  
VA-204 Redesignated VFA-204 1 May 1991

VFA-211: VB-74 Established 1 May 1945  
VB-74 Redesignated VA-1B 15 Nov 1946  
VA-1B Redesignated VA-24 1 Sep 1948  
VA-24 Redesignated VF-24 1 Dec 1949  
VF-24 Redesignated VF-211 9 Mar 1959  
VF-211 Redesignated VFA-211 1 Aug 2006\*

VFA-213: VF-213 Established 22 Jun 1955  
VF-213 Redesignated VFA-213 1 Aug 2006

\*No official paperwork (OPNAV Notice 3111) has been issued stating the official date for VF-213's redesignation to VFA-213.

**Fighter Squadron Composite (VFC)**

VFC-12: VC-12 Established 1 Sep 1973  
VC-12 Redesignated VFC-12 22 Apr 1988

VFC-13: VC-13 Established 1 Sep 1973  
VC-13 Redesignated VFC-13 22 Apr 1988

VFC-111: VFC-111 Established 1 Nov 2006

**Patrol Squadron (VP/VP-ML)**

VP-1: VB-128 Established 15 Feb 1943  
VB-128 Redesignated Patrol Bomber (VPB)-128 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-128 Redesignated VP-128 15 May 1946

VP-128 Redesignated Medium Patrol Squadron (landplane)  
(VP-ML-1) 15 Nov 1946  
VP-ML-1 Redesignated VP-1 1 Sep 1948

VP-4: VB-144 Established 1 Jul 1943  
VB-144 Redesignated VPB-144 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-144 Redesignated VP-144 15 May 1946  
VP-144 Redesignated VP-ML-4 15 Nov 1946  
VP-ML-4 Redesignated VP-4 1 Sep 1948

VP-5: VP-17F (VP-17) Established 2 Jan 1937  
VP-17 Redesignated VP-42 1 Jul 1939  
VP-42 Redesignated VB-135 15 Feb 1943  
VB-135 Redesignated VPB-135 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-135 Redesignated VP-135 15 May 1946  
VP-135 Redesignated VP-ML-5 15 Nov 1946  
VP-ML-5 Redesignated VP-5 1 Sep 1948

VP-8: VP-201 Established 1 Sep 1942  
VP-201 Redesignated VPB-201 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-201 Redesignated VP-201 15 May 1946  
VP-201 Redesignated Medium Patrol Squadron (seaplane)  
(VP-MS-1) 15 Nov 1946  
VP-MS-1 Redesignated VP-ML-8 5 Jun 1947  
VP-ML-8 Redesignated VP-8 1 Sep 1948

VP-9: VP-9 Established 15 Mar 1951

VP-10: VP-10 Established 19 Mar 1951

VP-16: VP-741 Reserve squadron called to active duty 1 May 1951  
VP-741 Redesignated VP-16 4 Feb 1953

VP-26: VB-114 Established 26 Aug 1943  
VB-114 Redesignated VPB-114 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-114 Redesignated VP-114 15 May 1946  
VP-114 Redesignated Heavy Patrol Squadron (landplane)  
(VP-HL-6) 15 Nov 1946  
VP-HL-6 Redesignated VP-26 1 Sep 1948

VP-30: VP-30 Established 30 Jun 1960

VP-40: VP-40 Established 20 Jan 1951



VP-45: VP-205 Established 1 Nov 1942  
VP-205 Redesignated VPB-205 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-205 Redesignated VP-205 15 May 1946  
VP-205 Redesignated VP-MS-5 15 Nov 1946  
VP-MS-5 Redesignated VP-45 1 Sep 1948

VP-46: VP-5S Established 1 Sep 1931  
VP-5S Redesignated VP-5F 1 Apr 1933  
VP-5F Redesignated VP-5 1937  
VP-5 Redesignated VP-33 1 Jul 1939  
VP-33 Redesignated VP-32 1 Jul 1941  
VP-32 Redesignated VPB-32 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-32 Redesignated VP-32 15 May 1946  
VP-32 Redesignated VP-MS-6 15 Nov 1946  
VP-MS-6 Redesignated VP-46 1 Sep 1948

VP-47: VP-27 Established 1 Jun 1944  
VP-27 Redesignated VPB-27 1 Oct 1944  
VPB-27 Redesignated VP-27 15 May 1946  
VP-27 Redesignated VP-MS-7 15 Nov 1946  
VP-MS-7 Redesignated VP-47 1 Sep 1948

VP-62: VP-62 Established 1 Nov 1970

VP-64: (See Logistics Support Squadron Fleet Logistics Support Squadron(VR)-64)

VP-65: VP-65 Established 16 Nov 1970  
VP-65 Deactivated 31 Mar 2006

VP-66: VP-66 Established 1 Nov 1970  
VP-66 Deactivated 31 Mar 2006

VP-69: VP-69 Established 1 Nov 1970

VP-91: VP-91 Established 1 Nov 1970  
VP-91 Deactivated 31 Mar 1999

VP-92: VP-92 Established 1 Nov 1970  
VP-92 Deactivated 30 Nov 2007

VP-94: VP-94 Established 1 Nov 1970  
VP-94 Deactivated 31 Mar 2006

**Patrol Squadron Special Project Unit Redesignated Special  
Projects Patrol Squadron (VPU) on 8 Apr 1998 for VPU-1 and on 14  
Apr 1998 for VPU-2 (the designation VPU remained the same)**

VPU-1: VPU-1 Established 1 Jul 1982

VPU-2: VPU-2 Established 1 Jul 1982

**Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron (VQ)**

VQ-1: VQ-1 Established 1 Jun 1955

VQ-2: VQ-2 Established 1 Sep 1955

VQ-3: VQ-3 Established 1 Jul 1968

VQ-4: VQ-4 Established 1 Jul 1968

VQ-5: VQ-5 Established 15 Apr 1991  
VQ-5 Deactivated 30 Jul 1999

VQ-6: VQ-6 Established 5 Aug 1991  
VQ-6 Deactivated 30 Sep 1999

VQ-7: Naval Training Support Unit  
VQ-7 Redesignated 1 Nov 1999

VQ-11: VQ-11 Established 1 Jul 1997  
VQ-11 Deactivated 31 Mar 2000

**Fleet Logistic Support Squadron (VR)**

VR-1: VR-1 Established 1 May 1997

VR-46: VR-46 Established 1 Mar 1981

VR-48: VR-48 Established 1 Oct 1980

VR-51: VR-51 Established 1 Jun 1997

VR-52: VR-52 Established 24 Jun 1972

VR-53: VR-53 Established 1 Oct 1992

VR-54: VR-54 Established 1 Jun 1991  
VR-55: VR-55 Established 1 Apr 1976  
VR-56: VR-56 Established 1 Jul 1976  
VR-57: VR-57 Established 1 Nov 1977  
VR-58: VR-58 Established 1 Nov 1977  
VR-59: VR-59 Established 1 Oct 1982  
VR-61: VR-61 Established 1 Oct 1982  
VR-62: VR-62 Established 1 Jul 1985  
VR-64: VP-64 Established 1 Nov 1970  
VP-64 Redesignated VR-64 18 Sep 2004

**Fleet Logistics Support Squadron (VRC)**

VRC-30: VR-30 Established 1 Oct 1966  
VR-30 Redesignated VRC-30 1 Oct 1978  
VRC-40: VRC-40 Established 1 Jul 1960

**Sea Control Squadron (VS)**

VS-21: Escort Carrier Air Group Forty-One (CVEG-41) Established  
26 Mar 1945  
CVEG-41 Redesignated CVEG-1 15 Nov 1946  
CVEG-1 Redesignated VC-21 1 Sep 1948  
VC-21 Redesignated VS-21 23 Apr 1950  
VS-21 Deactivated 28 Feb 2005  
VS-22: VS-22 Established 18 May 1960  
VS-22 Deactivated 31 Mar 2009  
VS-24: VS-24 Established 25 May 1960  
VS-24 Deactivated 31 Mar 2007  
VS-29: VS-29 Established 1 Apr 1960  
VS-29 Deactivated 30 Apr 2004

- VS-30: VS-801 Reserve squadron called to active duty 9 Apr 1951  
VS-801 Redesignated VS-30 4 Feb 1953  
VS-30 Deactivation Ceremony 9 Dec 2005  
Official Deactivation 20 Apr 2007
- VS-31: VC-31 Established 28 Sep 1948  
VC-31 Redesignated VS-31 20 Apr 1950  
VS-31 Deactivated 31 Mar 2008
- VS-32: VC-32 Established 31 May 1949  
VC-32 Redesignated VS-32 20 Apr 1950  
VS-32 Deactivated 30 Sep 2008
- VS-33: VS-33 Established 1 Apr 1960  
VS-33 Deactivated 31 Jul 2006
- VS-35: VS-35 Established 4 Apr 1991  
VS-35 Deactivated 31 Mar 2005
- VS-38: VC-892 Reserve squadron. Activated 20 Jul 1950  
VC-892 Redesignated VS-892 4 Aug 1950  
VS-892 Reserve squadron called to active duty 4 Aug 1950  
VS-892 Redesignated VS-38 4 Feb 1953  
VS-38 Deactivated 30 Apr 2004
- VS-41: VS-41 Established 30 Jun 1960  
VS-41 Deactivated 30 Sep 2006

**Training Squadron (VT)**

- VT-2: Basic Training Group Two (BTG-2) Redesignated VT-2 1 May 1960
- VT-3: BTG-3 Redesignated VT-3 1 May 1960
- VT-4: BTG-9 Redesignated VT-4 1 May 1960
- VT-6: Multi-Engine Training Group, Whiting Field Redesignated  
VT-6 1  
May 1960
- VT-7: BTG-7 Activated 1 Jun 1958  
BTG-7 Redesignated VT-7 1 Jul 1960

VT-9: VT-19 Established 2 Aug 1971  
VT-19 Redesignated VT-9 1 Oct 1998

VT-10: Basic Naval Aviation Officers (BNAO) School Redesignated  
VT-10 15 Jan 1968  
BNAO School was established within the training  
department of NAS Pensacola in June 1960. BNAO School became a  
separate command under the Chief of Naval Air Training 15 Jan  
1968.

VT-19: (see VT-9)

VT-21: ATU-202 (Advanced Training Unit-202) Redesignated VT-21  
1 May 1960

VT-22: ATU-212 Redesignated VT-22 1 May 1960

VT-23: ATU-222 Established Nov 1958  
ATU-222 Redesignated VT-23 1 May 1960  
VT-23 Deactivated 30 Sep 1999

VT-27: ATU-402 Redesignated VT-27 1 Jul 1960

VT-28: ATU-611 Redesignated VT-28 1 May 1960

VT-31: ATU-601 Redesignated VT-31 1 May 1960

VT-35: VT-35 Established 29 Oct 1999

VT-86: VT-86 Established 5 Jun 1972

**Air Test and Evaluation Squadron (VX/HX)**  
**Antarctic Development Squadron (VXE)**  
**Scientific Development Squadron (VXS)**

HX-21: Established as Naval Rotary Wing Aircraft Test Squadron  
21 Jul 1995  
Redesignated HX-21 1 May 2002

VX-1: Established as Aircraft Antisubmarine Development  
Detachment, Atlantic Fleet 1 April 1943  
Aircraft Antisubmarine Development Detachment became part  
of a new unit called Antisubmarine Development Detachment,  
Atlantic Fleet 17 September 1943

Antisubmarine Development Detachment, Atlantic Fleet  
Redesignated VX-1 15 March 1946

VXE-6: VX-6 Established 17 Jan 1955  
VX-6 Redesignated VXE-6 1 Jan 1969  
VXE-6 Deactivated 27 Mar 1999

VX-9: VX-9 Established 30 Apr 1994

VX-20: Established Naval Force Aircraft Test Squadron 21 Jul  
1995  
Redesignated VX-20 1 May 2002

VX-23: Established Naval Strike Aircraft Test Squadron 21 Jul  
1995  
Redesignated VX-23 1 May 2002

VX-30: Established Naval Weapons Test Squadron, Point Mugu 8  
May 1995  
Redesignated VX-30 1 May 2002

VX-31: Established. Naval Weapons Test Squadron, China Lake 8  
May 1995  
Redesignated VX-31 1 May 2002

VXS-1: VXS-1 Established 13 Dec 2004

\* Previous squadrons have been assigned this designation.