

# U.S. Navy Support and Tactical Land-Based Squadrons

## PATROL SQUADRONS (VP)



**VP-1**  
 VB-128 Est. 15 Feb 1943  
 Redes. VPB-128 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-128 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-ML-1 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-1 1 Sep 1948



**VP-4**  
 VB-144 Est. 1 Jul 1943  
 Redes. VPB-144 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-144 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-ML-4 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-4 1 Sep 1948



**VP-5**  
 VP-17F Est. 2 Jan 1937  
 Redes. VP-42 1 Jul 1939  
 Redes. VPB-135 15 Feb 1943  
 Redes. VPB-135 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-135 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-ML-5 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-5 1 Sep 1948



**VP-8**  
 VP-201 Est. 1 Sep 1942  
 Redes. VPB-201 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-201 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-MS-1 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-ML-8 5 Jun 1947  
 Redes. VP-8 1 Sep 1948



**VP-9**  
 VP-9 Est. 15 Mar 1951



**VP-10**  
 VP-10 Est. 19 Mar 1951



**VP-16**  
 VP-741 Called to active duty  
 1 May 1951  
 Redes. VP-16 4 Feb 1953



**VP-26**  
 VB-114 Est. 26 Aug 1943  
 Redes. VPB-114 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-114 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-HL-6 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-26 1 Sep 1948



**VP-30**  
 VP-30 Est. 30 Jun 1960



**VP-40**  
 VP-40 Est. 20 Jan 1951



**VP-45**  
 VP-205 Est. 1 Nov 1942  
 Redes. VPB-205 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-205 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-MS-5 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-45 1 Sep 1948



**VP-46**  
 VP-5S Est. 1 Sep 1931  
 Redes. VP-5F 1 Apr 1933  
 Redes. VP-5 1937  
 Redes. VP-33 1 Jul 1939  
 Redes. VP-32 1 Jul 1941  
 Redes. VPB-32 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-32 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-MS-6 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-46 1 Sep 1948



**VP-47**  
 VP-27 Est. 1 Jun 1944  
 Redes. VPB-27 1 Oct 1944  
 Redes. VP-27 15 May 1946  
 Redes. VP-MS-7 15 Nov 1946  
 Redes. VP-47 1 Sep 1948



**VP-62**  
 VP-62 Est. 1 Nov 1970



**VP-64**  
 VP-64 Est. 1 Nov 1970



**VP-65**  
 VP-65 Est. 16 Nov 1970



**VP-66**  
 VP-66 Est. 1 Nov 1970



**VP-69**  
 VP-69 Est. 1 Nov 1970



**VP-92**  
 VP-92 Est. 1 Nov 1970



**VP-94**  
 VP-94 Est. 1 Nov 1970

## COMPOSITE SQUADRONS (VC)



**VC-6**  
 VU-6 Est. 1 Mar 1952  
 Redes. VC-6 1 Jul 1965



**VC-8**  
 GMSRON-2 Est. 1 Jul 1958  
 Redes. VU-8 1 Jul 1960  
 Redes. VC-8 1 Jul 1965

## FLEET AIR RECONNAISSANCE SQUADRONS (VQ)



**VQ-1**  
 VQ-1 Est. 1 Jun 1955



**VQ-2**  
 VQ-2 Est. 1 Sep 1955



**VQ-3**  
 VQ-3 Est. 1 Jul 1968



**VQ-4**  
 VQ-4 Est. 1 Jul 1968



**VQ-7**  
 Naval Training Support Unit  
 Redes. VQ-7 1 Nov 1999

## SPECIAL PROJECTS PATROL SQUADRONS (VPU)



**VPU-1**  
 VPU-1 Est. 1 Jul 1982



**VPU-2\***  
 VPU-2 Est. 1 Jul 1982

## FLEET LOGISTICS SUPPORT SQUADRONS (VRC)



**VRC-30**  
 VR-30 Est. 1 Oct 1966  
 Redes. VRC-30 1 Oct 1978



**VRC-40**  
 VRC-40 Est. 1 Jul 1960

## FLEET LOGISTIC SUPPORT SQUADRONS (VR)



**VR-1**  
 VR-1 Est. 1 May 1997



**VR-46**  
 VR-46 Est. 1 Mar 1981



**VR-48**  
 VR-48 Est. 1 Oct 1980



**VR-51**  
 VR-51 Est. 1 Jun 1997



**VR-52**  
 VR-52 Est. 24 Jun 1972



**VR-53**  
 VR-53 Est. 1 Oct 1993



**VR-54**  
 VR-54 Est. 1 Jun 1991



**VR-55**  
 VR-55 Est. 1 Apr 1976



**VR-56**  
 VR-56 Est. 1 Jul 1976



**VR-57**  
 VR-57 Est. 1 Nov 1977



**VR-58**  
 VR-58 Est. 1 Nov 1977



**VR-59**  
 VR-59 Est. 1 Oct 1982



**VR-61**  
 VR-61 Est. 1 Oct 1982



**VR-62**  
 VR-62 Est. 1 Jul 1985

## FIGHTER SQUADRONS COMPOSITE (VFC)



**VFC-12\***  
 VC-12 Est. 1 Sep 1973  
 Redes. VFC-12 22 Apr 1988



**VFC-13**  
 VC-13 Est. 1 Sep 1973  
 Redes. VFC-13 22 Apr 1988

## AIR TEST AND EVALUATION SQUADRONS (HX/VX)

No  
 officially  
 approved  
 insignia

**HX-21**  
 Naval Rotary Wing Aircraft  
 Test Squadron Est.  
 21 Jul 1995  
 Redes. HX-21 1 May 2002



**VX-1\***  
 Est. as Aircraft  
 Antisubmarine Development  
 Detachment, Atlantic Fleet  
 1 Apr 1943  
 Became part of Antisubmarine  
 Development Det.,  
 Atlantic Fleet 17 Sep 1943  
 Redes. VX-1 15 Mar 1946



**VX-9**  
 VX-9 Est. 30 Apr 1994



**VX-20**  
 Naval Force Aircraft Test  
 Squadron Est.  
 21 Jul 1995  
 Redes. VX-20 1 May 2002



**VX-23**  
 Naval Strike Aircraft Test  
 Squadron Est.  
 21 Jul 1995  
 Redes. VX-23 1 May 2002



**VX-30**  
 Naval Weapons Test  
 Squadron, Point Mugu  
 Est. 8 May 1995  
 Redes. VX-30 1 May 2002



**VX-31**  
 Naval Weapons Test  
 Squadron, China Lake  
 Est. 8 May 1995  
 Redes. VX-31 1 May 2002

About this Poster (NA News, September–October 2002)

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- When a squadron is redesignated, it normally continues to use the previously approved insignia and requests a change to the designation in the lower scroll.
- The squadrons indicated by an asterisk have continued to use the insignia from a former designation but have not officially updated the lower scroll.
- In some cases squadrons have been officially authorized to use the insignia of an old squadron. This does not mean the squadron can trace its lineage back to the squadron that formerly used the design. For information on the evolution of squadron designations and lineage, see the following books published by the Naval Aviation History and Archives Office: *Dictionary of American Naval Aviation Squadrons, Volume 1, The History of VA, VAH, VAK, VAL, VAP and VFA Squadrons*; *Dictionary of American Naval Aviation Squadrons, Volume 2, The History of VP, VPB, VP(HL) and VP(AM) Squadrons*; and *United States Naval Aviation 1910–1995*.

### Key to Abbreviations

Est., Established — Redes., Redesignated — \* Scroll reflects prior designation