



# FACT SHEET

## U.S. Air Force Fact Sheet GLOBAL STRIKE CHALLENGE

Global Strike Challenge is the world's premier bomber, Intercontinental Ballistic Missile and security forces competition with units from Air Force Global Strike Command, Air Combat Command, Air Force Reserve Command and the Air National Guard.



### Goals

- Showcase the world's premier bomber and ICBM force
- Foster esprit de corps through competition and teamwork
- Recognize outstanding AFGSC personnel and teams
- Improve our combat capabilities through competition and community crosstalk

### People and Organization

About 400 competitors take part in GSC competitions at various locations. Competition includes security forces along with missile and bomber forces. Teams will have the opportunity to participate in innovative thinking, teamwork and esprit de corps that are central to the AFGSC mission. The following AFGSC units will participate in competitions run by 8th and 20th Air Forces:

- 90th Missile Wing, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo.
- 91st Missile Wing, Minot AFB, N.D.
- 341st Missile Wing, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.
- 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo.
- 5th Bomb Wing, Minot AFB, N.D.
- 2d Bomb Wing, Barksdale AFB, La.

Also participating are Air Combat Command's 7th Bomb Wing from Dyess AFB, Texas, and 28th Bomb Wing from Ellsworth AFB, S.D., Air Force Reserve Command's 917th Wing at Barksdale AFB, the 219th Security Forces Squadron from the North Dakota Air National Guard and units of the 131st Bomb Wing from the Missouri Air National Guard.

### Competition Schedule

- April – August: Bomber Operations and Weapons load competitions
- September – October: Missile Wing Operations and maintenance competitions
- November 13-16: Security Forces combat skills competitions

### Awards

- Bomb wings compete for the Fairchild Trophy
- Missile wings compete for the Blanchard Trophy
- Security Forces compete for the Charlie Fire Team Trophy
- Trophies are awarded to the best teams in bomber operations, bomber maintenance, security forces, missile operations, and missile maintenance

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