



FACT SHEET

U.S. Air Force Fact Sheet GLOBAL STRIKE CHALLENGE

Global Strike Challenge is the world's premier bomber, Intercontinental Ballistic Missile, helicopter operations 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 rigorous competition and teamwork
- Recognize outstanding AFGSC personnel and teams
- Improve our combat capabilities through competition and community crosstalk

People and Organization

Approximately 450 competitors take part in GSC competitions at various locations. Competition categories rigorously test security forces along with missile, bomber and helicopter operational and maintenance communities. Teams will have the opportunity to participate in events that require innovative thinking and teamwork; competencies that are central to the AFGSC mission. The following AFGSC units will participate in competitions run by AFGSC Headquarters:

- 2d Bomb Wing, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana
- 5th Bomb Wing, Minot AFB, North Dakota
- 7th Bomb Wing, Dyess AFB, Texas
- 28th Bomb Wing, Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota
- 90th Missile Wing, F.E. Warren AFB, Wyoming
- 91st Missile Wing, Minot AFB, North Dakota
- 341st Missile Wing, Malmstrom AFB, Montana
- 377th Air Base Wing, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico
- 509th Bomb Wing, Whiteman AFB, Missouri

Also participating are Air Combat Command's 49th Test and Evaluation Squadron at Barksdale AFB, LA, Air Force Reserve Command's 307th Bomb Wing at Barksdale AFB, LA, the North Dakota Air National Guard 219th Security Forces Squadron and the 131st Bomb Wing from the Missouri Air National Guard.

Awards

- Bomb Wings compete for the Fairchild Trophy recognizing the Best Bomb Wing
- Missile Wings compete for the Blanchard Trophy recognizing the Best Missile Wing
- Bomb Wings compete for the Ellis Giant Sword Trophy recognizing the Best Maintenance Group
- Bomb Wings compete for the LeMay Trophy recognizing the Best Bomb Squadron
- Bomb Wings compete for the Mitchell Trophy recognizing the squadron with the Best Single Bomb score
- Missile Wings compete for the Klotz Trophy recognizing the Best ICBM and Helicopters Ops Teams
- Missile Wings compete for the Blackburn Trophy recognizing the Best Maintenance Group
- Helicopter squadrons compete for the Bourland Trophy recognizing the Best Helicopter Ops Team
- Security Forces compete for the Charlie Fire Team Trophy recognizing the Best Security Force Team

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