



# FACT SHEET

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

### Fairchild Trophy

Named for General Muir S. Fairchild, former USAF Vice Chief of Staff, the Fairchild Trophy has been awarded at every bomb competition since 1951. The trophy, which was donated by Hughes Aircraft Corporation, is awarded to the best bomber unit in the combined fields of navigation and bombing. The trophy is designed to be a perpetual traveling legacy trophy and is surrendered each year during the award ceremony. The trophy bears the names of every unit who has won the award.



### Blanchard Trophy

The Blanchard Trophy is named in honor of General William H. Blanchard, who at the time of his death on 31 May 1966 was serving as the USAF Vice Chief of Staff. The trophy was first awarded in 1967 and given to the best missile unit. Like the Fairchild Trophy, the Blanchard is a perpetual legacy trophy that is surrendered each year during the awards ceremony and bears the names of those missile units who have previously won the award.

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