



WEASEL NOTAM – 35FW-23-01  
Morale Patch Wear & Approval  
10 Mar 24



**PURPOSE:** To standardize the creation, tracking, and wear standards of morale patches across the 35th Fighter Wing.

**COMMANDER'S INTENT:** The 35 FW Commander's intent is to allow military members assigned to Misawa Air Base the option to wear morale patches. A morale patch is defined as a symbol locally developed, designed, and displayed.

**BACKGROUND:** IAW [DAFI 36-2903, \*Dress and Personal Appearance\*](#), paragraph 5.2.6.1.2. and A6.3.10., Wing commanders may authorize the wear of morale patches on Fridays or during special events.

**IMPLEMENTATION:** Effective upon signature of this NOTAM, military members of Misawa Air Base are authorized to wear morale patches on Fridays or during special events to enhance unit morale, esprit de corps, and foster a positive and cohesive unit environment for Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP) and Flight Duty Uniforms (FDU). Squadron Commanders will submit patches for review and approval to the Commander's Action Group Office prior to wear, which will maintain a list of approved morale patches authorized to be worn, on behalf of the wing CC. The submission should include a description of the design and any symbols depicted on the patch.

**Authorized Wear:**

1. Patches must not be offensive, vulgar, sexually explicit, or otherwise contrary to good order and discipline.
2. With exception of the FDU, patches must adhere to current subdued spice brown color scheme IAW DAFI 36-2903, *Dress and Personal Appearance*.
3. Patches will not be below flight level.

**POC:** Contact the 35 FW/CAG office at 226-3320 for specific questions pertaining to this NOTAM.

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**Attachment:**

1. Morale Patch Library

## ***35th Fighter Wing Morale Patch Library***



**35 FIGHTER WING MORALE PATCH**



**CONS SQ MORALE PATCH**



## IG MORALE PATCH

Background: Display of our Inspector General motto, "FORTIFICARE ET EMENDARE VIRES", which is Latin for "TO STENGTHEN AND IMPROVE THE FORCE", in the upper scroll. Display of our organizational designation "35 FW INSPECTOR GENERAL" in the lower scroll. The Inspector General badge is also in display as well as the Japanese lettering for Misawa. -a/o Nov 2023





**JA MORALE PATCH**



## **(LEGACY) JA MORALE PATCH**

Background: The legal office implemented an outreach program for legal assistance. While mostly known for criminal types of items, legal does also provide: wills, powers of attorney, and legal assistance. This patch was created to help advertise that a little better. Additionally, recognizing that not everyone works a 'traditional' shift, the civil law section came up with an idea to go out to different squadrons and provide on-site briefings and legal assistance for members on their own time. This continues to be an ongoing project to make sure people are mission ready in all facets of life, and can have peace of mind knowing that their family members are able to take care of things when they head out on missions.



**SE MORALE PATCH**



**LRS MORALE PATCH**





**MXG MORALE PATCH**



**13 FGS MORALE PATCH**



**14 FGS MORALE PATCH**



**MXS MORALE PATCH**





**OG MORALE PATCH**

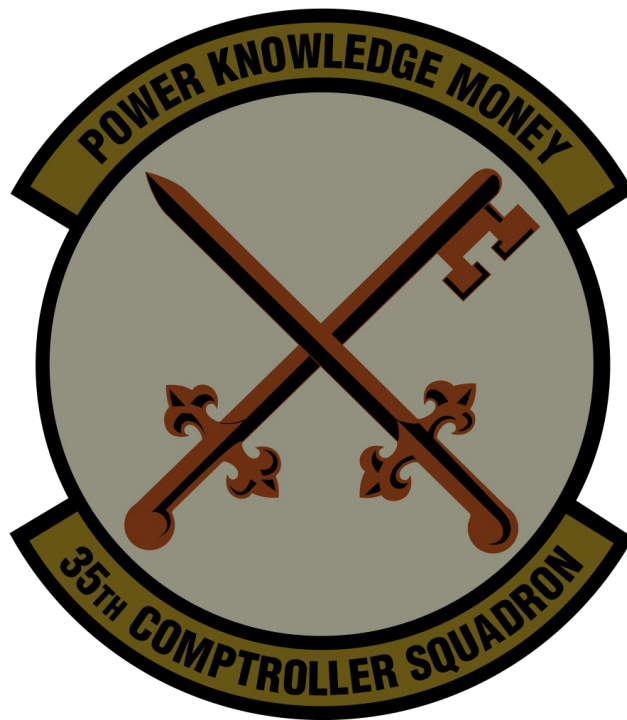


**610 ACF MORALE PATCH**



**CS MORALE PATCH**





## CPTS MORALE PATCH





## **MSG MORALE PATCH #1/2**

A/o 5 Feb 2024; MSG working to decide which morale patch will be the primary patch utilized and also looking to see if one is a legacy patch item.



**MSG MORALE PATCH #2/2**





**LRS MORALE PATCH**



## SFS MORALE PATCH

Background: The morale patch combines our history that dates back to our transition from Military Police units to Air Police, Security Police and Security Forces units represented by the Harper's Ferry Pistol. The crossed Katana represents our combined defense with our Japanese Guards and JSDF partners in addition to our first unit at Johnson Air Base, Japan. The middle broad sword represents our allegiance to the 35 FW to "Attack to Defend". The surrounding triangle represents a Patrol Base, the basic security perimeter used in small unit ground combat tactics, providing a location to plan & issue orders for operations while providing 360\* security. The "First in Defense" inscription is a call back to our unit's combat operations in Vietnam while designated as the 35 Security Police Squadron. - a/o Oct 2023







## 35 FSS MORALE PATCH

Background: The morale patch depicts the FSS mascot and our motto "For the Weasel!" to signify the Force Support Squadron's focus on supporting the Wing's Wild Weasel mission. The eleven cherry blossoms represent the eleven flights that make up our squadron. The torii is a symbol of traditional Japanese culture, signifies our partnership with Japan. -a/o Jan 2024