

WEASEL NOTAM – 35FW-23-01 Morale Patch Wear & Approval 11 April 2025



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 <u>DAFI 36-2903</u>, <u>Dress and Personal Appearance</u>, paragraph 5.1.6.1.2. and 9.3.10., 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 leadership 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 35 FW/CC.

Example Routing: Sq/CCF \rightarrow Sq/SEL \rightarrow *Sq/CC \rightarrow *35 FW/CAG \rightarrow 35 FW/CC *Denotes mandatory routing

The submission will include a description of the design, and any symbols depicted on the patch. Units may have more than one Morale Patch per unit however, *the same patch must be worn throughout the entire unit*. Ex: MSG has 2 morale patches, one will be worn "X" Friday, the other worn another "X" day/ event. Patches will not be below Squadron level.

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 Squadron 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