

WAFS/WASP: WOMEN'S AIRFORCE SERVICE PILOTS

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NOTE: WASP Guidon

Two months before the Dec 1944 disbanding of the WASPs, the War Dept authorized a distinctive flag and guidon: "ultramarine blue with a vertical propeller, 7 inches in length superimposed at the center of a pair of wings 10-1/2 inches from top to tip. Above the insignia will be the number of the group or depot and below it the number or depot and below it the number or letter of the squadron. Insignia, numerals, and letters will be golden orange." Source:

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Incidentally, a photo of a WASP graduation class at Avenger Field depicts a unit guidon. See the non-paginate photo section of Keil's Those Wonderful Women... (cited above). According to her photo credits, the photo came from an original on file in the US Air Force Museum, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio.