

McDonnell Douglas
RF-4B Phantom

Production List and History

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151975

Prototype RF-4B Phantom

Feb65: Accepted by the Marines February 25, 1965.

Mar65: First flight on March 12, 1965.

May65: Systems and Aircraft Shakedown tested by McDonnell-Douglas.

Jun65: Delivered to **Naval Air Test Center**, NAS Pax River on June 16, 1965.

Oct65: Delivered to VMCJ-3, MCAS El Toro.

Dec70: **Transferred to MASDC as 8F004 on Dec 15, 1970.**

May78: **Transferred from MASDC to NADEP North Island on May 5, 1978.**

1979: Received **Block 3 (#11) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

Nov79: Delivered to VMFP-3, MCAS El Toro.

1980: Operated by VMFP-3. Carried gloss gray scheme and green fin.

Apr80: **Crashed near Mesquite, TX on April 25, 1980 after collision with RF-4B 151983.**

1274 Total flight hours

Images:

Aerofax Minigraph 13 *McDonnell RF-4 Variants*, page 13

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151976

Apr65: First flight, April 6, 1965.

May65: Accepted by the Marines, May 25, 1965.

May65: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, May 27, 1965.

May67: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN19**, MCAS El Toro
Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni

Oct68: Shot down over North Vietnam and crashed at sea on October 22, 1968 while operated by **VMCJ-1**.

745 Total flight hours

Images:

None

151977

Apr65: First flight, April 27, 1965

Jul65: Accepted and delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on July 7, 1965.

Dec70: **Transferred to MASDC as 8F001 on Dec 10, 1970.**

May78: **Transferred from MASDC to NADEP North Island on May 5, 1978.**

1978: Received **Block 2 (#6) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

Aug79: Delivered to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Feb80: Transferred to **VMFP-3, Det. C** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug80: Transferred to **VMFP-3, Det. A** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Feb81: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro

1983: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF02**, MCAS El Toro. Carried Tactical Paint Scheme (TPS).

1984: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF02**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Sep88: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF00**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.

Mar89: **Transferred to AMARC on March 10, 1989. Assigned AN8F325.**

Images:

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Marine Air, First to Fight, page 77

Photographs

151978

Jun65: First flight June 8, 1965.

Jun65: Accepted by the Marines, June 30, 1965.

Jul65: Delivered to NATC on July 1, 1965.

Jul65: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jan71: **Transferred to MASDC as 8F005 on Jan 7, 1971.**

May78: **Transferred from MADSC to NADEP North Island on May 5, 1978.**

1978: Received SURE update at NADEP North Island.

Sep79: Delivered to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF03**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme and green fin.

Jun80: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF03**, MCAS El Toro

1981: Operated by VMFP-3 as RF03, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with lo-vis markings and lo-vis fox on fin.

Jan83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF115** aboard USS Midway. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Feb83: **Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. C as RF115, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.**

Aug83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro

May89: **Transferred to AMARC on March 24, 1989. Assigned AN8F328.**

Images:

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151979

Jun65: First flight June 29, 1965.

Aug65: Accepted by the Marines, August 26, 1965.

Aug65: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, August 27, 1965.

Dec70: **Transferred to MASDC as 8F003 on Dec 14, 1970.**

May78: **Transferred from MASDC to NADEP North Island on May 5, 1978.**

1979: Received **Block 3 (#14) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

Mar80: Delivered to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jan83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF04**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Feb83: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF116**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Jan83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **NF116**, USS Midway. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Jan83: **Stuck nose gear forced barrier trap aboard USS Midway January 25, 1983.**

Apr85: Stored at NARF North Island.

Aug87: Aircraft stricken from service on August 11, 1987.

Jun90: Stored at NARF North Island.

Images:

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Photographs

151980

Jul65: First flight July 23, 1965.

Sep65: Accepted by the Marines, September 29, 1965.

Oct65: Delivered to VMCJ-3, MCAS El Toro, October 1, 1965.

Dec70: Transferred to MASDC as 8F002 on Dec 14, 1970.

May78: Transferred from MADSC to NADEP North Island on May 5, 1978.

1978: Received Block 1 (#3) SURE update at NADEP North Island

Jun79: Delivered to VMFP-3, MCAS El Toro.

1979: Operated by VMFP-3 as RF05, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with black tiger stripes on gray fin.

Jan83: Operated by VMFP-3 as RF05, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.

May84: Operated by VMFP-3 as RF05, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray scheme with lightning bolt on fin.

Aug85: Operated by VMFP-3 as RF05, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Jul89: Transferred to AMARC on July 12, 1989. Assigned AN8F333.

Images:

F-4 Phantom Society *Smoke Trails*, Vol. 9-1

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Wings 6: 'Rhino': *The Immortal Phantom II*, page 20

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Photograph

151981

Aug65: First flight August 25, 1965

Oct65: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, October 19, 1965.

Apr66: **Transferred to NARE North Island.**

May71: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jan76: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Sep76: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF1**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.

1978: Received **Block 2 (#7) SURE** update at NADEP North Island

1980: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF06**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with green fin.

Feb80: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

1980: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF611**, USS Midway. Circle of stars around RF on black fin.

Aug80: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Feb81: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro

1982: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF06**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.

1984: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF06**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS.

Dec84: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF06**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lightning bolt on fin.

May85: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF06**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS.

1990: Withdrawn from service by **VMFP-3** as **RF06**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.

Aug90: Restored to museum display status at MCAS El Toro as **VMFP-3 RF06**. Painted glossy gray over white with lightning bolt on fin.

Aug98: Moved to MCAS Miramar.

Images:

US Naval & Marine Aircraft Today, page 20

Marine Air, First to Fight, page 77

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Photographs

151982

Sep65: First flight September 23, 1965.

Nov65: Accepted by the Marines, November 29, 1965.

Jan66: Delivered on January 11, 1966.

Jun68: Operated by McDonnell (**MAC Air**) for Smoke Abatement Tests.

Jun69: Operated by **MAC Air**.

Jan71: **Crashed at NAS Lemoore on January 12, 1971. Unknown cause.**

931 Total flight hours.

Images:

None

151983

Sep65: First flight September 24, 1965.

Dec65: Accepted by the Marines, December 1, 1965.

Dec65: Operated by **MAC Air** for Recon Systems Development.

Feb66: Operated by **MAC Air**.

May66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1971: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN3**, MCAS El Toro.

1972: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN3**, MCAS El Toro.

May75: **Transferred to NARF North Island.**

1978: Selected as R&D/pre-production aircraft for Project SURE.

1978: Received **Block 2 (#8) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

Sep79: Delivered to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1980: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF07**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme and green fin.

Feb80: **Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug80: **Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Feb81: Departed for VMFP-3, MCAS El Toro.

Jan83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF07**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with spook on fin.

Feb83: **Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF117**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Nov88: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF07**, MCAS Iwakuni.

May89: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

May89: **Transferred to AMARC on May 27, 1989. Assigned AN8F330.**

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#10 Block 24 1965

153089

Oct65: First flight, October 28, 1965.

Dec65: Accepted by the Marines, December 30, 1965.

Jan66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, January 26, 1966.

Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN16**, MCAS El Toro.

Jan69: **Crashed on Sitton Pk, Santa Ana Mtns, January 13, 1969. Stalled on take off in bad weather.**

1032 Total flight hours

Images:

Aerofax Minigraph *McDonnell RF-4 Variants*, page 14

#11 Block 24 1965

153090

Nov65: First flight November 10, 1965

Jan66: Accepted by the Marines, January 12, 1966.

Jan66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, January 14, 1966.

May66: **Crashed on May 6, 1966 due to stall on takeoff.**

153 Total flight hours

Images:

None.

153091

Dec65: First flight December 9, 1965

Jan66: Accepted by the Marines, January 31, 1966.

Feb66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on February 4, 1966.

Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN21**, MCAS El Toro.

Nov68: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM17**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Apr71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM17**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jun72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM17**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Apr73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM17**, MCAS Iwakuni.

1973: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM602**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM602**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM602**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Jul75: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3** when VMCJ-3 disestablished on August 25, 1975.

1976: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF3**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.

Nov79: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF10**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray scheme with simple RF on fin.

1979: Received **Block 4 (#20) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF10**. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.

Aug85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**

Feb86: Transferred to VMFP-3, MCAS El Toro.

Aug89: **Transferred to AMARC on August 2, 1989. Assigned AN8F337.**

Images:

F-4 Phantom Society *Smoke Trails*, Vol. 8-4

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Photograph

153092

- Dec65:** First flight December 18, 1965
Feb66: Accepted by the Marines, February 11, 1966.
Feb66: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on February 17, 1966.
Mar71: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Apr71: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN1**, MCAS El Toro.
Nov71: Transferred to **Naval Air Test Center (NATC)**.
Mar72: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1980: Received **Block 5 (#23) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Feb81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF116**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF116**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Carried overall gray scheme with dark gray markings and dark gray fox on fin.
Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Dec85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Jun86: Transferred to **VMFP-3** as **RF11**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
May89: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF11**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS.
Sep89: **Transferred to AMARC on September 18, 1989. Assigned AN8F339.**

Images:

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Photographs

153093

- Dec65:** First flight December 30, 1965.
Feb66: Accepted by the Marines, February 28, 1966.
Apr66: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on April 9, 1966.
Dec70: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM15**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM15**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM15**. MCAS Iwakuni.
Sep73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM601**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM601**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Jul75: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug76: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1978: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF12**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with simple RF on fin.
Jan79: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF12**, MCAS El Toro.
1980: Received **Block 5 (#22) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Jun81: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF12**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis insignia.
Sep82: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF12**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.
Sep85: Transferred to **NATC**.
Nov85: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug86: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Feb87: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Sep89: **Transferred to AMARC on September 9, 1989. Assigned AN8F338.**

Images:

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Photographs

153094

Jan66: First flight January 25, 1966.

Jan66: Accepted by the Marines, January 31, 1966.

Mar66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on March 4, 1966.

Mar68: Transferred to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Dec70: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1975: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN5**, MCAS El Toro.

1979: Received **Block 3 (#13) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

Jul80: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF13**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis insignia with gray fox on fin.

Jan81: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF13**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis insignia.

Apr82: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF13**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis insignia with no fin markings.

Jan83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF13**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with spook on fin.

Apr85: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF13**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Dec85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**

May86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jul89: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF13**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.

Jul89: **Transferred to AMARC on July 19, 1989. Assigned AN8F335.**

Images:

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Photographs

153095

- Feb66:** First flight February 15, 1966.
Apr66: Accepted by the Marines, April 8, 1966.
Apr66: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on April 11, 1966.
Dec70: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1979: Received **Block 3 (#15) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Dec80: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF14**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis insignia with gray fox on fin.
Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF117**. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
May83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF14**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
Sep85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Oct85: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jun88: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF14**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.
Nov87: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF14**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May88: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
May89: **Transferred to AMARC on May24, 1989. Assigned AN8F327.**
Mar96: Stored at AMARC.

Images:

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Photographs

153096

Feb66: First flight February 20, 1966.

Mar66: Accepted by the Marines, March 30, 1966.

Apr66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on April 1, 1966.

Mar68: Transferred to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

May71: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1975: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN7**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1979: Received **Block 3 (#13) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF8** aboard USS Midway.

Feb86: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**

Jun86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

May88: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B**, as **RF15**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Nov88: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

May89: **Transferred to AMARC on May 25, 1989. Assigned AN8F329.**

Images:

Colors & Markings of the *Recon Phantoms*, pages 9, 59

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153097

Mar66: First flight March 10, 1966.

May66: Accepted by the Marines, May3, 1966.

May66: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on May 4, 1966.

Jul70: Aircraft involved in accident.

Aug70: Stored at NARF Cherry Point.

Mar72: **Stricken from service on March 13, 1972.**

1167 Total flight hours.

Images:

None

153098

Mar66: First flight March 16, 1966.

May66: Accepted by the Marines, May 17, 1966.

May66: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on May 24, 1966.

Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY5**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Dec70: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Mar71: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN8**, MCAS El Toro.

1972: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN8**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1975: Operated by **VMFP-3**. Carried "Spirit of America" scheme and no modex.

Oct75: **Crashed in desert on October 22, 1975.**

2703 Total flight hours

Images:

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Aircam Aviation Series No. 41 (Vol.2) *McDonnell F-4 Phantom II*

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153099

Mar66: First flight March 26, 1966.

Jun66: Accepted by and delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on June 8, 1966.

Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY9**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY6**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Jan71: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Apr71: Operated by **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Feb72: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN9**, MCAS El Toro.

Dec72: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN9**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jan76: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF9**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with red film strip across spine and fin. Still carried VMCJ-3 on spine.

1976: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF9**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.

Oct76: Crashed at Tinker AFB on October 25, 1976. Stalled on formation join-up.

3033 Total flight hours

Images:

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153100

Apr66: First flight April 7, 1966.

May66: Accepted by the Marines, May 31, 1966.

Jun66: Delivered to VMCJ-2, MCAS Cherry Point, June 1, 1966.

Aug68: Crashed on August 6, 1968 during acrobatics. Probably VMCJ-2 at MCAS Yuma during pre-deployment training.

880 Total flight hours

Images:

None

153101

Jun66: First flight June 3, 1966

Jul66: Accepted by the Marines, July 13, 1966.

Jul66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on July 15, 1966.

Apr68: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM15**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM00**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jul72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM00**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jul73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM00**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Sep73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM600**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug74: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM600**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM621**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3** on August 25, 1975 when VMCJ-1 disestablished.

Sep76: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF10**, MCAS El Toro. Carried "Spirit of America" scheme.

1980: Received **Block 5 (#24) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

1981: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF24**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis markings and lo-vis fox on fin.

May81: Crashed in Nevada desert near Ely on May 22, 1981 during acrobatics.

3641 Total flight hours

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153102

- May66:** First flight May 26, 1966.
Jul66: Accepted by the Marines, July 11, 1966.
Jul66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on July 13, 1966.
Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM16**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM16**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM16**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM16**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Sep73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM608**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM608**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM615**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF615**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug76: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF615**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Jul77: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF611**. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Dec77: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF17**, USS Midway. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
1980: Received **Block 5 (#25) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
May82: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF17**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.
Dec84: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF17**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lightning bolt on fin.
Mar86: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Sep86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jun89: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF17**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron in fin.
Jul89: **Transferred to AMARC on July 26, 1989. Assigned AN8F336.**
Mar96: Stored at AMARC

Images:

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Photographs

153103

- Jun66:** First flight June 3, 1966.
Jun66: Accepted by the Marines, June 29, 1966.
Jul66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on July 1, 1966.
Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jan68: Transferred to NARF North Island.
May70: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
May71: Operated by **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1972: Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN10**, MCAS El Toro
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1979: Received **Block 4 (#16) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
1979: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF20**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with simple RF on fin.
1980: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF20**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with chevron on fin.
Feb81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF117**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1981: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF117**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway. Carried lo-vis insignia and gray fox on fin.
Aug81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF117**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Jan82: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF117**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried overall gray scheme with dark gray markings and dark gray spook on fin.
Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Apr86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Apr86: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF20**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
May86: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF20**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS
Jul89: **Transferred to AMARC on July 12, 1989. Assigned AN8F332.**

Images:

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Photographs

153104

Jun66: First flight June 10, 1966.

Sep66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on September 16, 1966.

Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Sep67: **Shot down over South Vietnam on September 11, 1967.**

505 Total flight hours

Images:

None

153105

- Jun66:** First flight June 20, 1966.
Aug66: Accepted by the Marines, August 29, 1966.
Aug66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on August 30, 1966.
Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM18**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM18**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM18**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Sep73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM603**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM603**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Jan75: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM603**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug76: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1976: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Feb77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1978: Received **Block 1 (#1) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
May79: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF21**, MCAS El Toro, Carried glossy gray scheme with black tiger stripes on gray fin.
Feb80: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Jun80: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF613**, USS Midway. Circle of stars around RF on black fin.
Aug80: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb81: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Dec80: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF21**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with green fin. Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF21** aboard USS Kittyhawk. Carried TPS.
1983: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF21**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS.
1984: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF21**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF21**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May87: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF21**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov87: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF21**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May88: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jul89: **Transferred to AMARC on July 19, 1989. Assigned AN8F334.**

Images:

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The Official Monogram US Navy and Marine Corps Aircraft Color Guide, page 60
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Photographs

153106

- Jul66:** First flight July 8, 1966.
Aug66: Accepted by the Marines, August 22, 1966.
Aug66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on August 26, 1966.
Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM19**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM19**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM19**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM19**, MCAS Iwakuni.
1973: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM609**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM609**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Mar75: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM622**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1976: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF612**, USS Midway. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Aug76: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1979: Received **Block 4 (#17) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Dec80: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF22**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis fox in fin.
May85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Nov85: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jul87: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF22**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
Apr89: **Transferred to AMARC on April 18, 1989. Assigned AN8F326.**

Images:

Photographs

153107

- Aug66:** First flight August 4, 1966.
Sep66: Accepted by the Marines, September 19, 1966.
Sep66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on September 23, 1966.
Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM20**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM20**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM20**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM20**, MCAS Iwakuni.
1973: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM620**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1976: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried "Spirit of America" scheme.
Aug76: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried "Spirit of America" scheme.
Feb77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF614**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried "Spirit of America" scheme.
Jun77: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF614**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried "Spirit of America" scheme.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1978: Received **Block 1 (#4) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
1980: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF23**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with green fin.
Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF23**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis insignia and fox.
Jan83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF23**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.
Jun86: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Dec86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
May88: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B**, as **RF23**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov88: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
May89: **Transferred to AMARC on May 25, 1989. Assigned AN8F331.**

Images:

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153108

- Aug66:** First flight August 11, 1966.
Oct66: Accepted by the Marines, October 1, 1966.
Oct66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on October 5, 1966.
Operated by **VMCJ-3** as **TN2**, MCAS El Toro.
Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM21**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM21**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM21**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM21**, MCAS Iwakuni.
1973: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM606**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM606**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM616**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**.
1979: Received **Block 4 (#19) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Feb81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF120**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Jul81: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF120**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried overall flat gray scheme with lo-vis insignia and lo-vis fox on fin.
Aug81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF120**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Dec84: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF24**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
Jul85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Jan86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3, Det. B** as **RF24**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May87: Transferred to **VMFP-3, Det. C** as **RF24**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov87: Transferred to **VMFP-3, Det. A** as **RF24**, MCAS Iwakuni
Dec88: **Transferred to AMARC on December 22, 1988. Assigned AN8F324.**

Images:

Marine Air, First to Fight, page 76

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Photographs

153109

- Aug66:** First flight August 17, 1966.
Sep66: Accepted by the Marines, September 29, 1966.
Oct66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on October 1, 1966.
Oct66: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jan70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM22**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM22**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM22**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM22**, MCAS Iwakuni.
1973: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM604**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM604**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM614**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF614**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Sep75: Operated by **VMFP-3, Det. A** as **RF614**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Aug76: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF614**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1976: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF614**. Carried white tiger stripes on black fin.
Feb77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF615**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
May77: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF17**. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1978: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF25**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with simple RF on fin.
1979: Received **Block 4 (#18) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Feb83: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF120**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Jun83: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF120**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
Aug83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1984: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF25**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS.
Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF25**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May87: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF25**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Oct87: **Crashed in the Philippines on October 19, 1987. Stuck flare ignited tail during photo run.**

Images:

Squadron/Signal *USMC Phantoms in Combat*, pages 20, 21
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The Phantom Story, page 244
The Hook Magazine, Fall 1986, page 52
Photographs

153110

- Sep66:** First flight September 1, 1966
Nov66: Accepted by and delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on November 16, 1966.
Jun68: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jul68: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jan70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM24**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM24**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM24**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM24**, MCAS Iwakuni.
1973: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM607**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM607**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
1975: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM617**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1976: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF10**. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
1980: Received **Block 5 (#21) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
1980: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF26**, MCAS El Toro. Carried lo-vis markings and lo-vis fox on fin.
Feb81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF115**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug81: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF115**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Oct81: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF115**. Carried lo-vis insignia and gray fox on fin.
Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Apr82: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF115**, USS Midway. Carried spook on fin.
Nov85: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
May86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF26**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May87: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF26**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Sep87: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF26**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried TPS and lightning bolt on fin.
Nov87: Transferred to **VMFP-3, Det. A**, as **RF26**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May88: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug88: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF26**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS and chevron on fin.
Sep89: Withdrawn from service on September 18, 1989. Administrative strike.
Aug90: Stored at MCAS El Toro as **VMFP-3, RF26**. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.
May92: Used by El Toro Crash and Rescue for training.
1998: Moved to MCAS Miramar.

Images:

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153111

Sep66: First flight September 22, 1966.

Oct66: Accepted by the Marines, October 29, 1966.

Nov66: Delivered to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro, on November 2, 1966.

May67: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jul70: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM23**, MCAS Iwakuni.

May71: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM23**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jun72: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM23**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM23**, MCAS Iwakuni.

1973: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM605**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

1974: Operated by **VMCJ-1** as **RM605**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Nov74: **Crashed on approach to USS Midway on November 3, 1974 while operated by VMCJ-1**

1998 Total flight hours

Images:

None

153112

Sep66: First flight September 23, 1966.

Nov66: Accepted by the Marines, November 30, 1966.

Dec66: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on December 2, 1966.

Jun68: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jul68: Transferred to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Oct68: **Transferred to NARF North Island.**

Jan70: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Jun71: Operated by **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

May72: **Crashed near Fallon NAS on May 10, 1972.**

1285 Total flight hours

Images:

None

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153113

Oct66: First flight October 7, 1966.

Jan67: Accepted by and delivered to VMCJ-2, MCAS Cherry Point, on January 11, 1967.

Jul67: **Crashed into trees on July 20, 1967.**

274 Total flight hours

Images:

None

153114

Oct66: First flight October 22, 1966.

Dec66: Accepted by the Marines, December 27, 1966.

Jan67: Delivered to VMCJ-2, MCAS Cherry Point, on January 16, 1967.

Oct67: Transferred to VMCJ-1, MCAS Iwakuni.

Dec67: Crashed on landing at Danang, South Vietnam on December 25, 1967. MOREST cable struck bottom of aircraft, causing it to pitch up and stall.

495 Total flight hours

Images:

None

153115

Nov66: First flight November 7, 1966.

Dec66: Accepted by the Marines, December 1, 1966.

Dec66: Delivered to **NPRO**, December 2, 1966.

Jun67: Delivered to **VMCJ-1**, MCAS Iwakuni, on June 22, 1967

Mar68: **Shot down over South Vietnam on March 2, 1968.**

465 Total flight hours

Images:

None

157342

- Apr70:** First flight April 2, 1970.
May70: Accepted by the Marines, May 27, 1970.
Jun70: Delivered to **VMCJ-2** as **CY00**, MCAS Cherry Point, on June 2, 1970.
Apr72: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Feb75: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1977: Operated by **VMFP-3** but retained **VMCJ-2**, **CY00** markings. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with black fin.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb78: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug78: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway. Carried glossy gray scheme with simple RF on fin.
Feb79: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Apr79: Operated by **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Carried overall glossy gray scheme with simple RF and black tiger stripes on gray fin.
Aug79: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF610**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb80: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
May80: Received **Block 6 (#27) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Mar81: Delivered to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
May81: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF27**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme. No fin markings.
Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF116**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF116**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Nov85: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF27**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Mar86: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF27**. Carried lightning bolt on fin.
May86: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF27**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Apr90: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF27**. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.
Jul90: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF00**. Carried overall glossy gray scheme with rainbow fin.
Aug90: **Transferred to NADEP Cherry Point on August 10, 1990 for storage.**

Images:

Colors & Markings of the *Recon Phantoms*, pages 58, 61, 64
Colors & Markings of *U.S. Navy and USMC CAG Aircraft*, page 51
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Photographs

157343

May70: First flight May 1, 1970.

Jun70: Accepted by the Marines, June 18, 1970.

Jun70: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on June 24, 1970.

Apr72: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Feb73: **Crashed on landing at MCAS Cherry Point on February 2, 1973.**

Apr73: NARF Cherry Point

648 Total flight hours

Images:

None.

157344

Jun70: First flight June 8, 1970.

Jul70: Accepted by and delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on July 10, 1970.

Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY12**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY20**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Mar75: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1976: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **CY20**, USS Kittyhawk. Former VMCJ-2 with black tail.

Feb77: **Transferred to NARF North Island.**

Jun77: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug77: **Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. A as RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Sep77: **Crashed near Tokyo due to engine fire on September 27, 1977.**

1840 Total flight hours.

Images:

Colors & Markings of the *Recon Phantoms*, page 58

McDonnell F-4 Phantom, Spirit in the Skies, page 204

Squadron/Signal *USMC Phantoms in Combat*, page 60

157345

Jul70: First flight July 16, 1970.

Aug70: Accepted by the Marines, August 21, 1970.

Aug70: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point, on August 26, 1970.

May72: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY3**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Mar75: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

May76: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF21**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.

May81: Received **Block 1 (#2) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

1981: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF30**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with black tiger stripes on gray fin.

Sep81: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF117**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF117**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway. Carried overall glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.

Feb83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1983: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF30**, MCAS El Toro. Carried overall glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.

Nov83: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**

Jul84: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Nov85: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF30**, MCAS Iwakuni.

May86: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF30**, MCAS Iwakuni.

Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro. Carried overall glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.

Aug90: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF30**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray over white scheme with lightning bolt on fin.

Aug90: **Transferred to AMARC on August 10, 1990. Assigned AN8F340.**

Images:

Squadron/Signal *USMC Phantoms in Combat*, page 60

F-4 Phantom Society *Smoke Trails*, Vol. 9-1

Colors & Markings of the *Recon Phantoms*, page 61

F-4 Phantoms, U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Gray Ghosts, pages 112, 115

Photographs

157346

- Jul70:** First flight July 29, 1970.
Sep70: Accepted by the Marines, September 30, 1970.
Oct70: Delivered to VMCJ-2 as **CY4**, MCAS Cherry Point on October 8, 1970.
Apr72: Operated by VMCJ-2 as **CY3**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Nov72: Transferred to **H&MS-14**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Jun74: Transferred to VMCJ-2, MCAS Cherry Point.
Mar75: Transferred to VMCJ-3, MCAS El Toro.
Aug75: Transferred to VMFP-3, MCAS El Toro.
1976: Operated by VMFP-3 as **RF22**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Feb78: Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. B as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug78: Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. C as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb79: Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. A as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug79: Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. B as **RF611**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb80: Transferred to VMFP-3, MCAS El Toro.
May80: Received **Block 6 (#28) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Mar82: Transferred to VMFP-3, MCAS El Toro.
1983: Operated by VMFP-3 as **RF31**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with spook on fin.
May84: Transferred to VMFP-3 Det. as **RF31**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov84: Operated by VMFP-3 Det. as **RF31**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov86: Operated by VMFP-3 as **RF31**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
Jun90: Operated by VMFP-3 as **RF31**, MCAS El Toro.
1990: Operated by VMFP-3 as **RF31**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray scheme with lightning bolt on fin.
Aug90: **Transferred to NADEP Cherry Point for storage on August 10, 1990.**

Images:

F-4 Phantom Society *Smoke Trails*, Vol. 9-2
Detail & Scale Vol. 12, *F-4 Phantom II, Part 3 USN & USMC Versions*, page 55
McDonnell F-4 Phantom, Spirit in the Skies, page 208
F-4 Phantoms, U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Gray Ghosts, page 107, 113, 118
Photographs

157347

- Sep70:** First flight September 4, 1970.
Oct70: Accepted by the Marines, October 26, 1970.
Oct70: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point on October 30, 1970.
May72: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Sep72: Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY5**, MCAS Cherry Point.
May73: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Jul74: Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY4**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Mar75: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1976: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF23**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Jun78: Received **Block 1 (#5) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Aug79: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1981: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF32**, MCAS El Toro. Carried overall gray scheme with lo-vis markings and lo-vis fox on fin.
Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF120**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
Aug82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF120**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
1984: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF32**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.
May84: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Sep85: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Nov85: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF32**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May86: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF32**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3** as **RF32**, MCAS El Toro.
Mar89: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF32**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS.
Aug89: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF32**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.
Dec89: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF32**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS.
1990: **Crashed off San Clemente Island in a spin.**

Images:

F-4 Phantoms, U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Gray Ghosts, page 119
Phantoms Forever, page 38

157348

- Sep70:** First flight September 11, 1970.
Nov70: Accepted by the Marines, September 7, 1970.
Nov70: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point on November 12, 1970.
May72: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Dec72: Transferred to **H&MS-14**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Jun74: Transferred to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Nov75: Transferred to **NATC**.
Jun76: Transferred to **MDSL**.
Sep77: Transferred to **NATC**.
Dec77: Transferred to NARF North Island. SURE test aircraft.
1978: Received **Block 2 (#10) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
1978: Operated by **NATC** as **348**, Pax River.
Sep79: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Dec80: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF33**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with lo-vis insignia and fox on fin.
Feb82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF115**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug82: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF115**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jun84: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Aug85: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Nov85: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF33**, MCAS Iwakuni.
May86: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF33**, MCAS Iwakuni.
Nov86: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Apr90: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF33**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug90: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF33**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray over white scheme with lightning bolt on fin.
Aug90: **Transferred to NADEP North Island for storage on August 10, 1990.**

Images:

Aerofax Minigraph *McDonnell RF-4 Variants*, page 14
Photographs

157349

- Oct70:** First flight October 15, 1970.
Nov70: Accepted by the Marines, November 6, 1970.
Dec70: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point on December 2, 1970.
Apr72: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Jun73: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
Feb75: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Feb77: **Transferred to NARF North Island.**
1977: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF25**, MCAS El Toro. Carried gray over white scheme with white tiger stripes on black fin.
Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb78: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug78: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb79: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Aug79: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF612**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.
Feb80: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Aug80: Received **Block 6 (#30) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
Sep83: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
Jul86: **Transferred to NARF Cherry Point.**
Aug89: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF34**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.
Aug90: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF34**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with lightning bolt on fin.
Aug90: **Transferred to NADEP Cherry Point for storage on August 10, 1990.**

Images:

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McDonnell F-4 Phantom, Spirit in the Skies, pages 128, 208
Photographs

157350

Nov70: First flight November 5, 1970.

Dec70: Accepted by the Marines, December 29, 1970.

Jan71: Delivered to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point on January 27, 1971.

Sep71: Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY8**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Apr72: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

May73: Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.

Feb75: Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug75: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Aug77: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Feb78: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug78: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. C** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Feb79: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. A** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Aug79: Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det. B** as **RF613**, MCAS Iwakuni. Assigned to CVW-5, USS Midway.

Carried gray scheme with simple RF on fin.

Feb80: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

Dec81: Received **Block 6 (#29) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.

May82: Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.

1982: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF613** (Post SURE). Carried glossy gray scheme with black tiger stripes on gray fin.

Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF35**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with spook on fin.

Jan83: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF35**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Jun88: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF35**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.

Aug90: Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF35**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.

Aug90: **Transferred to NADEP Cherry Point for storage on August 10, 1990.**

Images:

Aerofax Minigraph *McDonnell RF-4 Variants*, page 14

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Photographs

157351

- Dec70:** First flight December 1, 1970
- Dec70:** Accepted by the Marines, December 16, 1970.
- Dec70:** Delivered to **AFPRO** on December 27, 1970.
- Dec70:** Transferred to NAF Warminster.
- Apr71:** Transferred to **AFPRO**.
- May71:** Operated by **MAC Air** for Approach Control Systems tests
- Jun71:** Transferred to **NATC**.
- Aug71:** Transferred to **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
- Dec71:** Operated by **VMCJ-2** as **CY9**, MCAS Cherry Point.
- Apr72:** Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
- May73:** Operated by **VMCJ-2**, MCAS Cherry Point.
- Mar75:** Transferred to **VMCJ-3**, MCAS El Toro.
- Apr75:** **Transferred to NARF North Island.**
- Jan78:** Transferred to **NATC**.
- Jul78:** Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
- Oct78:** Received **Block 6 (#26) SURE** update at NADEP North Island.
- Jun81:** Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
- Dec83:** Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF00**, MCAS El Toro. Carried glossy gray scheme with spook on fin.
- May85:** Transferred to **VMFP-3 Det.** as **RF36**, MCAS Iwakuni.
- Nov85:** Transferred to **VMFP-3**, MCAS El Toro.
- Mar86:** Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF00**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with lightning bolt on fin.
- Oct88:** Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF36**, MCAS El Toro. Carried TPS with chevron on fin.
- Jul90:** Operated by **VMFP-3** as **RF36**, MCAS El Toro. Carried black scheme with lightning bolt on fin.
- Aug90:** **Transferred to NADEP Cherry Point for storage on August 10, 1990.**
- Apr95:** Stored in junkyard at NADEP Cherry Point.