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SPAD HERITAGE



-MARKINGS FOR TEN 457TH (TACTICAL) FIGHTER SQUADRON AIRCRAFT-

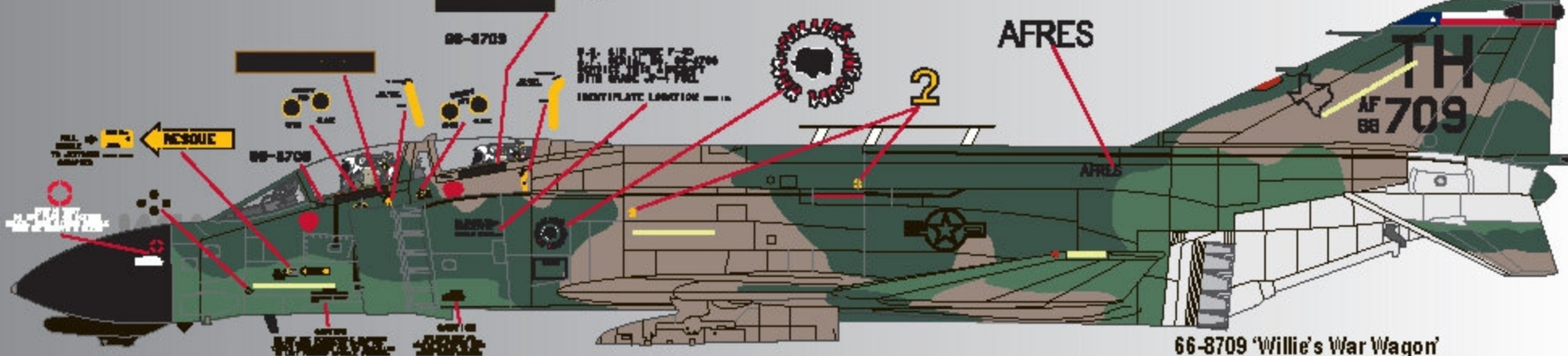
-DECALS SIZED FOR TAMIYA F-16

& ZOUKEI MURA F-4D/E-



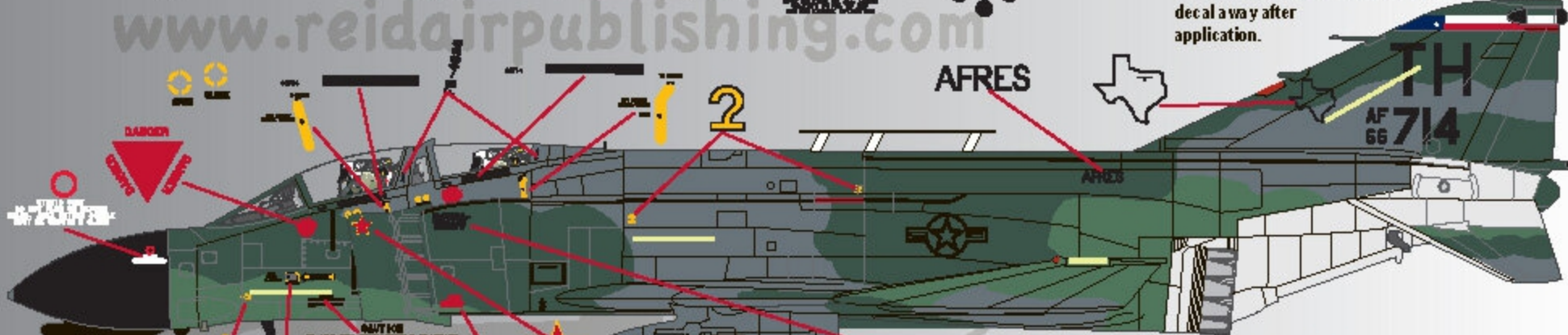
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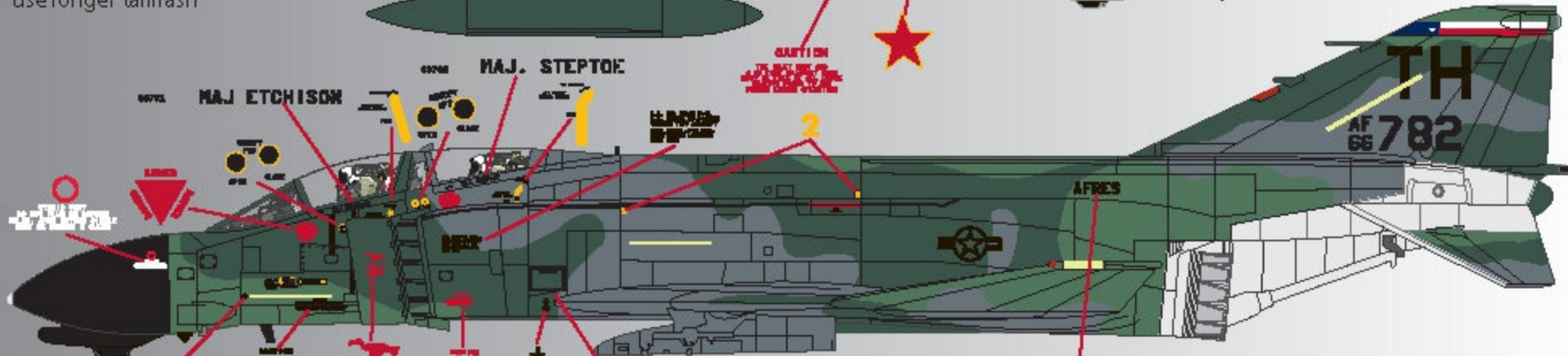
66-8709 'Willie's War Wagon'
April 1983

During their time in the Phantom, the 457th had jets in the original SEA scheme, SEA wraparound, depicted here, the Euro 1 scheme, and Hill I and Hill II schemes. Many Phantoms sported artwork on the left intake shoulder. In this case, 'Willie's War Wagon' was painted on the intake in honor of this jet's assigned pilot—Capt. Willie Kempe. All maintenance stencils are yellow. This Phantom is equipped with the upgraded AN/ALR-69 V(2) RHAW assembly under the radome as well as the LORAN 'towel rack' antenna on the spine. Use the 'skinny' TH tailcodes and longer tailflashes. Of note—the tailflash decal does not cover the RWR antenna. Trim decal away after application.



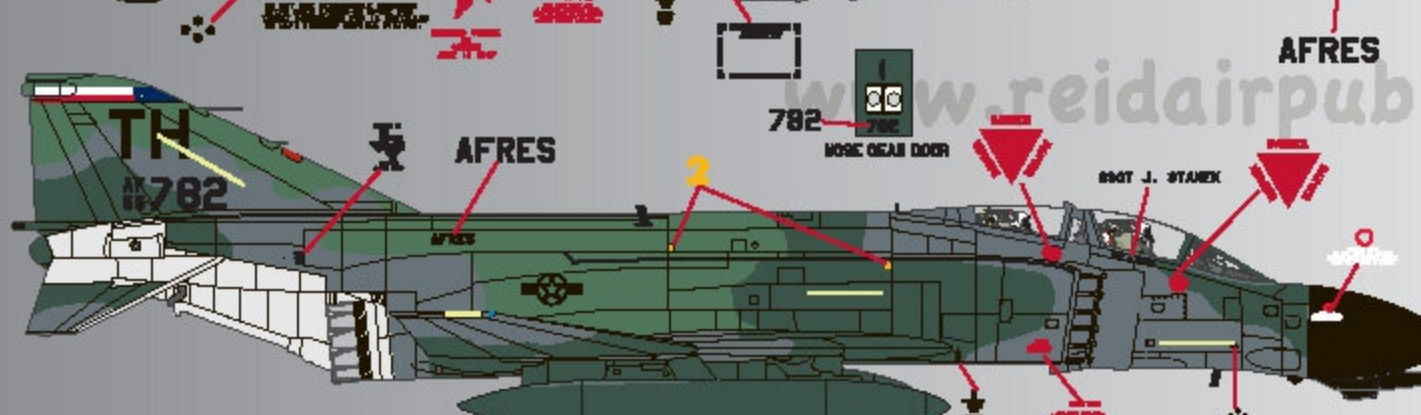
66-8714 MiG Killer
June 1984

This MiG-killing F-4D was assigned to the 457th following a stint with the 8th TFW at Kunsan AB, Korea. During the Vietnam War, this jet downed a North Vietnamese MiG-21 on February 5, 1968. By 1984, it had been repainted in the European One scheme. This Phantom is equipped with the upgraded AN/ALR-69 V(2) RHAW assembly under the radome. In addition, the LORAN 'towel rack' antenna was present on the spine. All maintenance stencils are in yellow on this machine. Use 'skinny' TH tail codes on this Phantom.

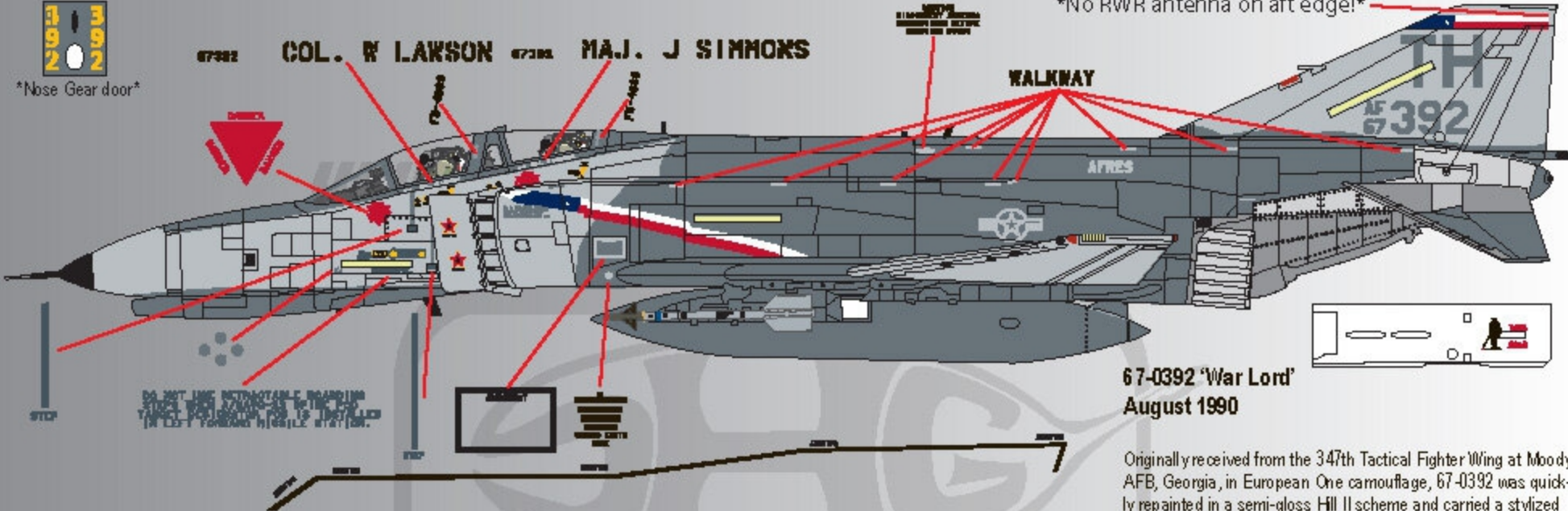


66-7782 Buzzard Killer
February 1988

By 1988, 66-7782 was one of the final Phantoms on the flightline retaining the European One camouflage scheme. It gained notoriety in June 1987 by striking a large buzzard in flight. The hapless bird was immortalized with a 'kill' marking on this jet's fixed ramp. All maintenance stencils are in black except for yellow hoist markings. This Phantom, too, is equipped with the upgraded AN/ALR-69 V(2) RHAW assembly under the radome.

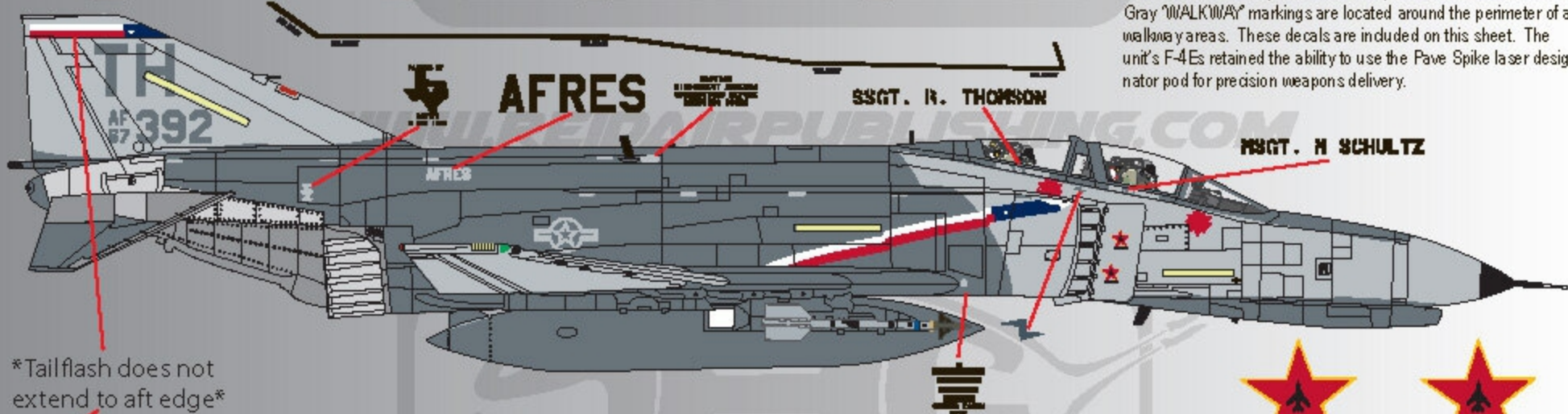


No RWR antenna on aft edge!



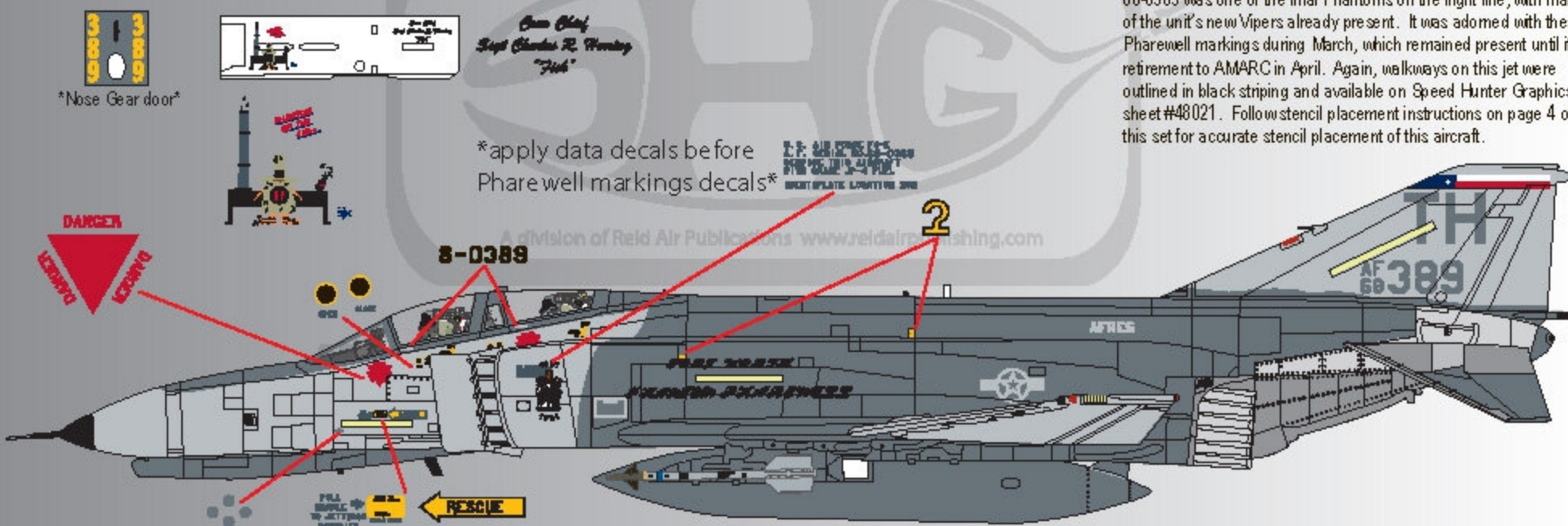
67-0392 'War Lord'
August 1990

Originally received from the 347th Tactical Fighter Wing at Moody AFB, Georgia, in European One camouflage, 67-0392 was quickly repainted in a semi-gloss Hill II scheme and carried a stylized version of the Texas flag banner across both engine intakes and shoulders. Very few maintenance stencils were present on this aircraft; use only those specifically called for on these instructions. These were all in contrasting shades of gray. Walkways are outlined in black. Use Speed Hunter Graphics sheet number 48021. Gray 'WALKWAY' markings are located around the perimeter of all walkway areas. These decals are included on this sheet. The unit's F-4Es retained the ability to use the Pave Spike laser designator pod for precision weapons delivery.



68-0389 'Phantom of the 457th'
March 1991

The end of the Spads' time in Phantoms came in March 1991. F-4E 68-0389 was one of the final Phantoms on the flight line, with many of the unit's new Vipers already present. It was adorned with these Pharewell markings during March, which remained present until its retirement to AMARC in April. Again, walkways on this jet were outlined in black striping and available on Speed Hunter Graphics sheet #48021. Follow stencil placement instructions on page 4 of this set for accurate stencil placement of this aircraft.



STENCIL APPLICATION

PHANTOMS HAVE HAD A WIDE VARIETY of stencil types applied during their long career. Most of the time these were applied during a total repaint of the jet at depot level maintenance resulting in a somewhat standard assortment of stencils in size and location. Pay close attention to the side profiles to pick out which stencils apply to your subject!!!

Most of the decals shown at right are included on this decal sheet. However, in some cases, the wonderfully-printed Cartograf decals supplied in the kit will need to be reused. This is especially true of some of the black or yellow maintenance stencil decals.

Please use Speed Hunter Graphics sheet number 48021 for walkway markings designed specifically for the ZM F-4!! Available at www.reidairpublishing.com



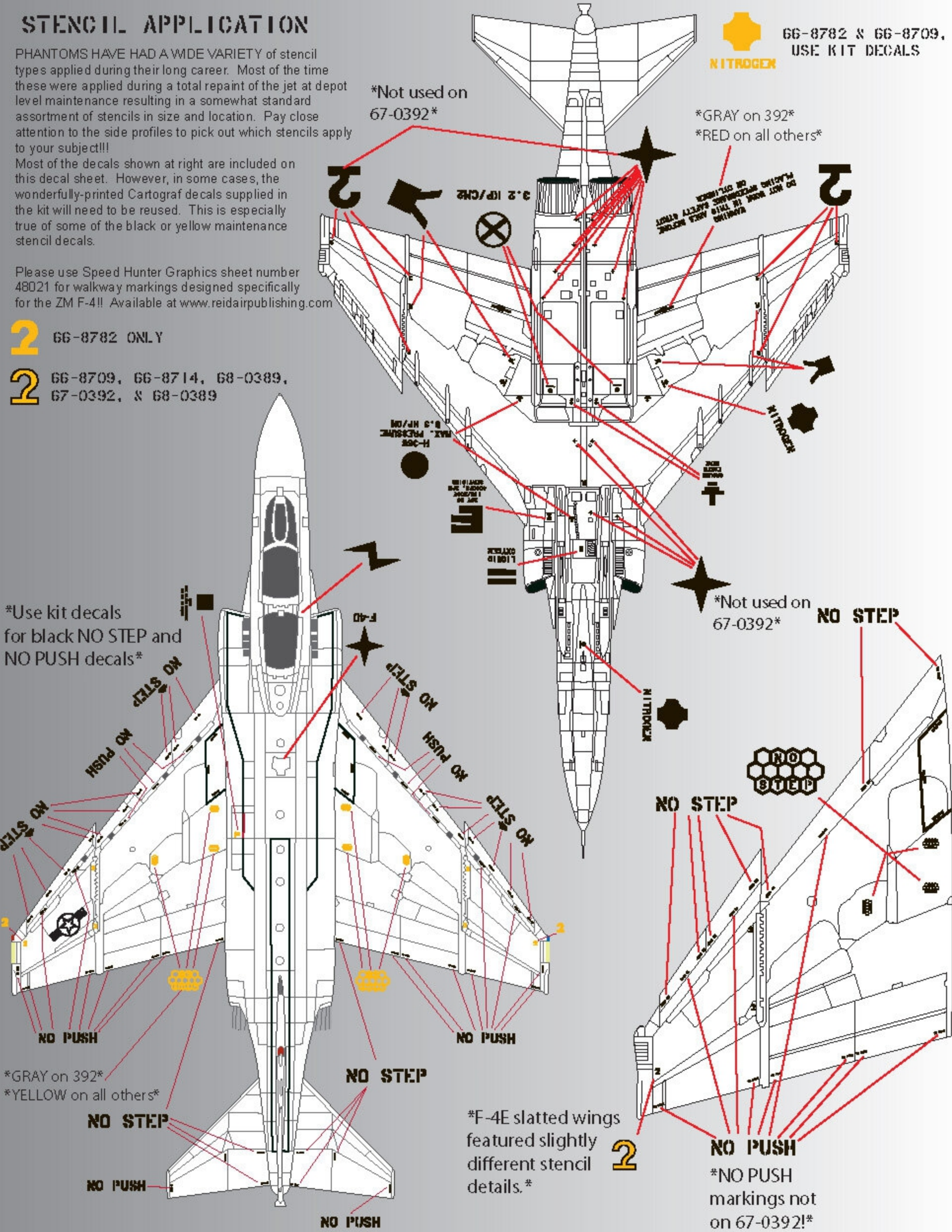
66-8782 & 66-8709,
USE KIT DECALS

*Not used on
67-0392*

GRAY on 392
RED on all others

2 66-8782 ONLY

2 66-8709, 66-8714, 68-0389,
67-0392, & 68-0389



*Use kit decals
for black NO STEP and
NO PUSH decals*

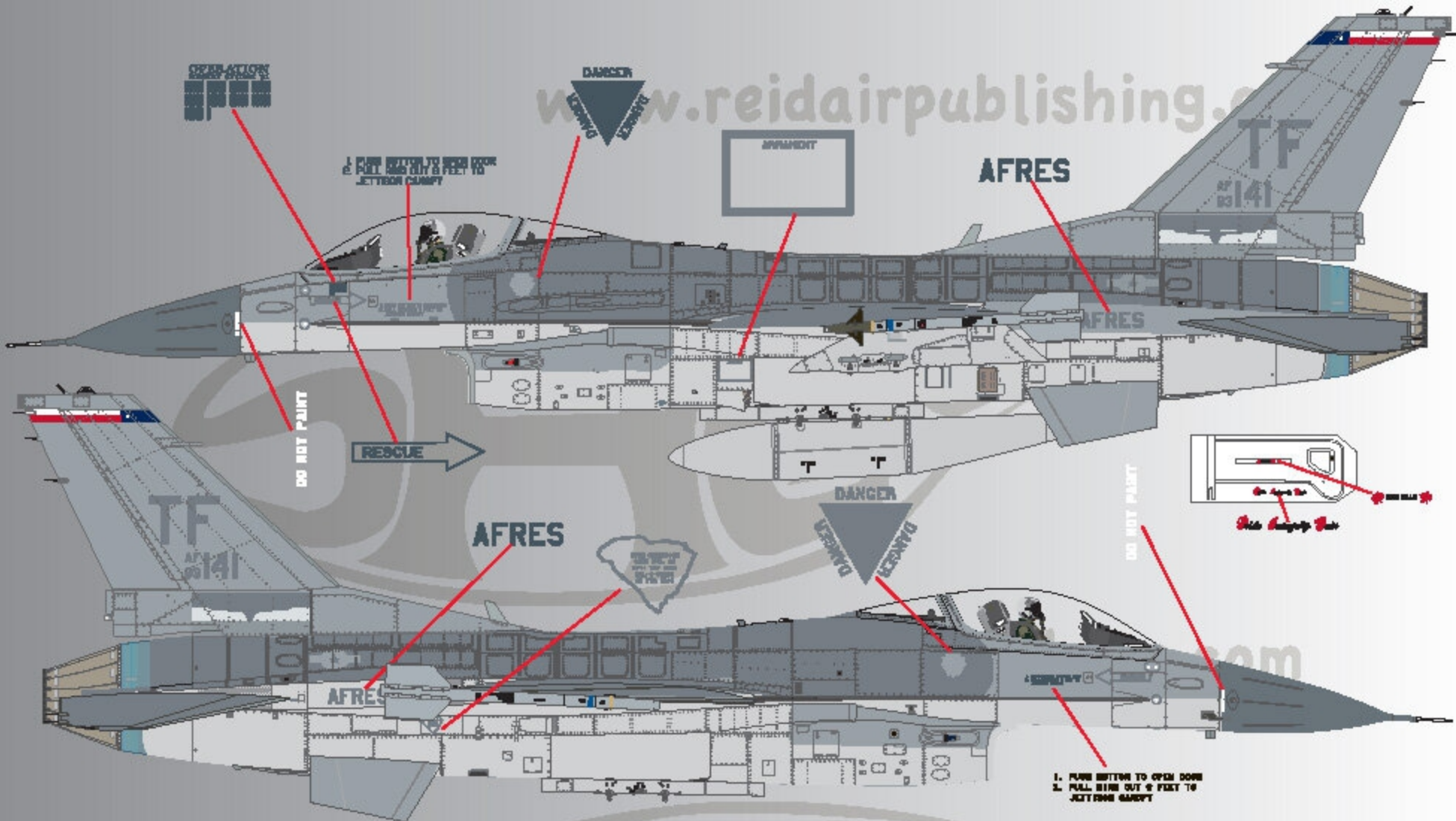
*Not used on
67-0392*

NO STEP

GRAY on 392
YELLOW on all others

*F-4E slatted wings
featured slightly
different stencil
details.*

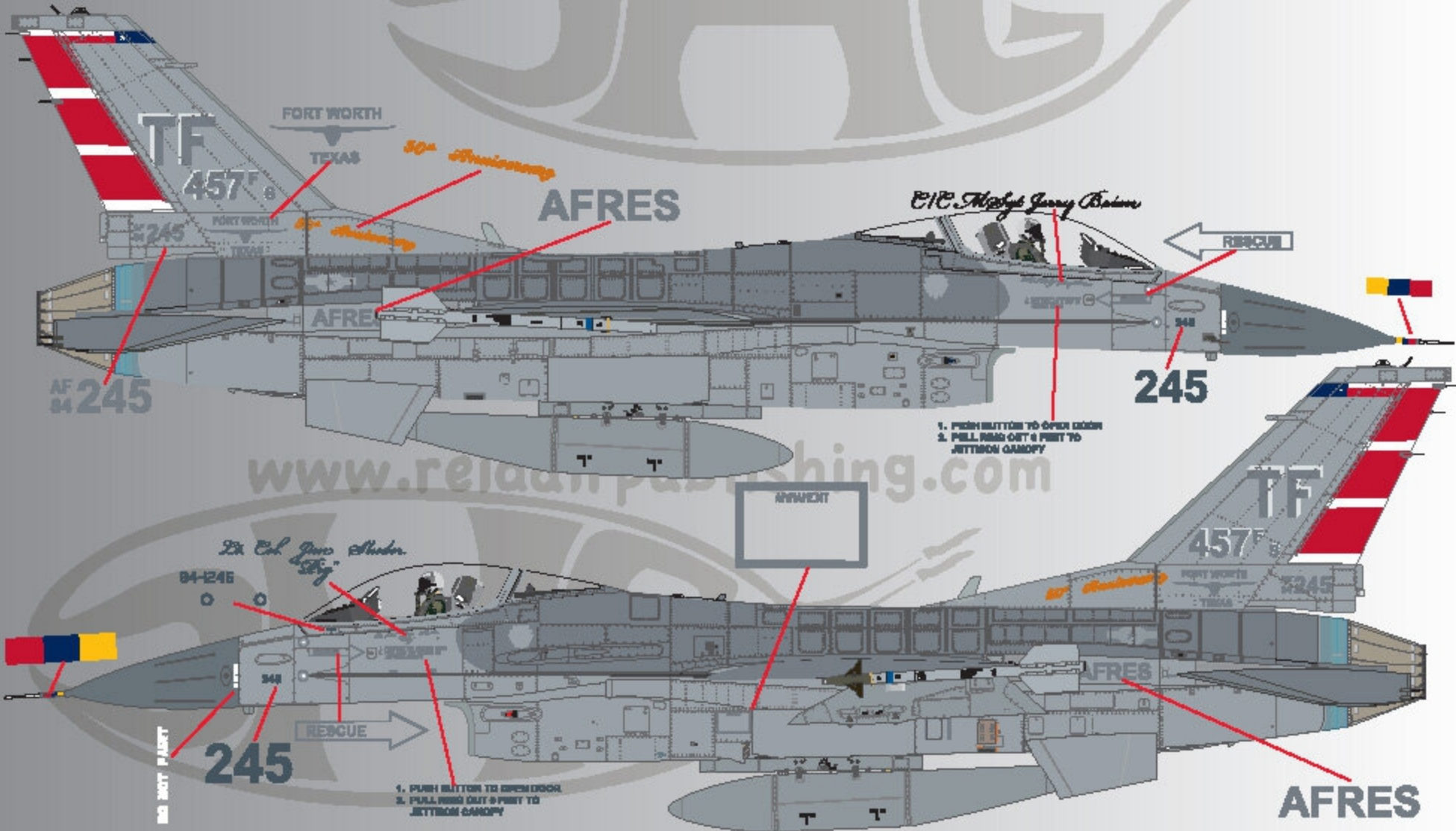
NO PUSH
*NO PUSH
markings not
on 67-0392!*



83-1141, Block 25
PIG, December 1991

F-16s replaced the Spads' Phantoms beginning in early 1991. These Vipers were received from active duty units as they began to transition to newer, later Block F-16s. Many of the Block 25s were veterans of Operation Desert Storm. 83-1141 was one such jet, having been trans-

ferred from the 33rd Tactical Fighter Squadron. It flew 46 missions during the war, and wore its mission tally marking below the cockpit for nearly a year after its arrival to Ft. Worth. It is painted in the original three-tone camouflage pattern.



84-1245, Block 25
50th Anniversary, October 1994

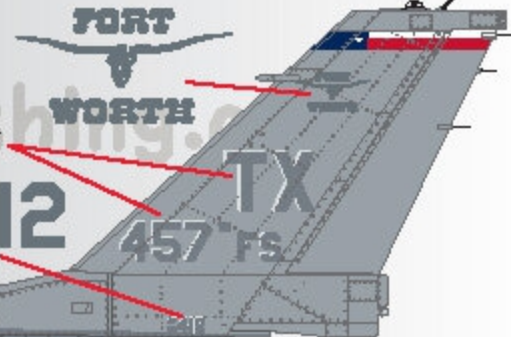
The 457th Fighter Squadron celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 1994. 84-1245 was chosen to receive a special scheme in honor of the celebration, and wore these markings for a year beginning in late 1994. This jet has

received the two-tone camouflage scheme by this time, omitting the FS36375 bottom.



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MAJ. JASON "HOLLYWOOD" SMITH

drop shadow faces up and towards front

AFRC AF 85 412

TX 457 FS

CAUTION
FACED
RETURN
EJECT SEAT IN
DOWNLOCK
POSITION TO
UNLOCK
EJECT SEAT UP & LEFT

85-1412

DO NOT PAINT

drop shadow faces up and towards front

C/C SSGT. MIKE MORRIS

TX 457 FS

AFRC

85-1412, Block 30
April 2011

The Block 30 F-16 brought many improvements to the Spads' arsenal, including the newer and more powerful GE engine. Prior to arriving at Ft. Worth to join the 457th, 85-1412 spent time with the 512th Tactical Fighter Squadron at Ramstein Air Base, Germany. It was

transferred to the 457th in 1996 and spent much of its time with the Spads marked as the 457th Fighter Squadron flag ship. This jet has been updated with the BLOS antenna modification on the leading edge of the base of the vertical stabilizer. Its wheels have also been updated.



MAJ. DAVID "LUREN" DEANMORE

TSgt. Kevin Raley
right side of canopy

85-1513

same location as 85-1412 above

TX AF 85 513

AFRC

85-1513, Block 30
October 2020

85-1513 is the lone D-model assigned to the 457th. Because it is an F-16D, it has not been upgraded like the rest of the Spads' Vipers. It does not have the latest BLOS or AIFF mods, for example.

For the best and most thorough reference available on the F-16s featured on this sheet, consult your copy of *The Modern Viper Guide, 2nd Edition: The F-16C/D Exposed*. No part of the F-16 is left unexplored in this book, offering photos and info not available anywhere else. Covers both USAF and export F-16s. With regards to this specific decal sheet, this book covers all of the upgrades present on the F-16s flown by the 457th Fighter Squadron, including the Block 25 and Block 30 Vipers. Available at the Reid Air Publications website!!!

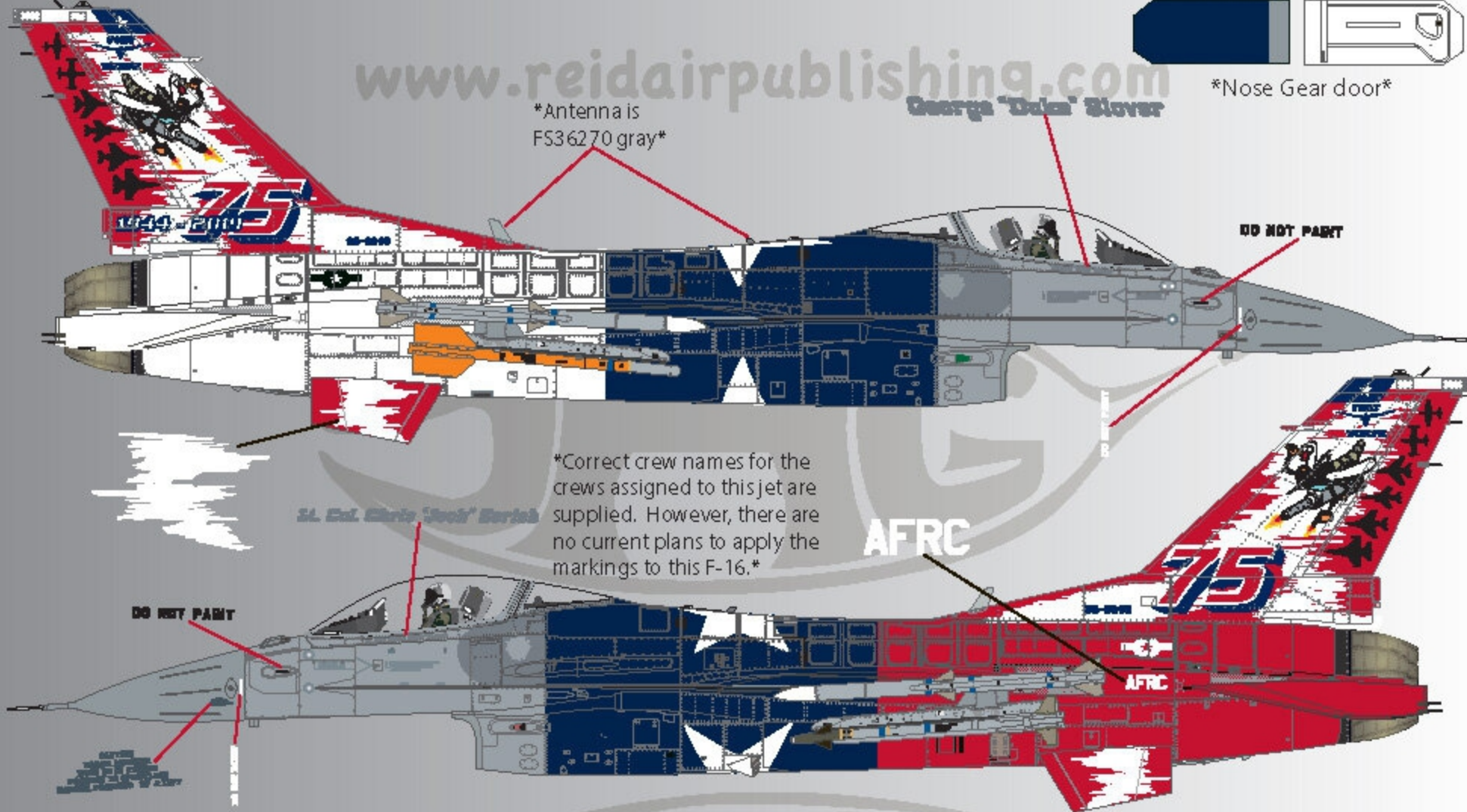
Meanwhile, for the Phantoms covered on this decal sheet, check out *The Modern Phantom Guide, 2nd Edition*. This giant book covers the F-4D/E (and other versions of the Phantom) flown by the 457th, all in full color. Available at the Reid Air Publications webstore at www.reidairpublishing.com!



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Nose Gear door



Antenna is FS36270 gray

George "Dale" Glover

DO NOT PAINT

Correct crew names for the crews assigned to this jet are supplied. However, there are no current plans to apply the markings to this F-16.

St. Col. Chris "Wolf" Berish

AFRC

DO NOT PAINT

AFRC

86-0246, Block 30
75th Anniversary
January 2021

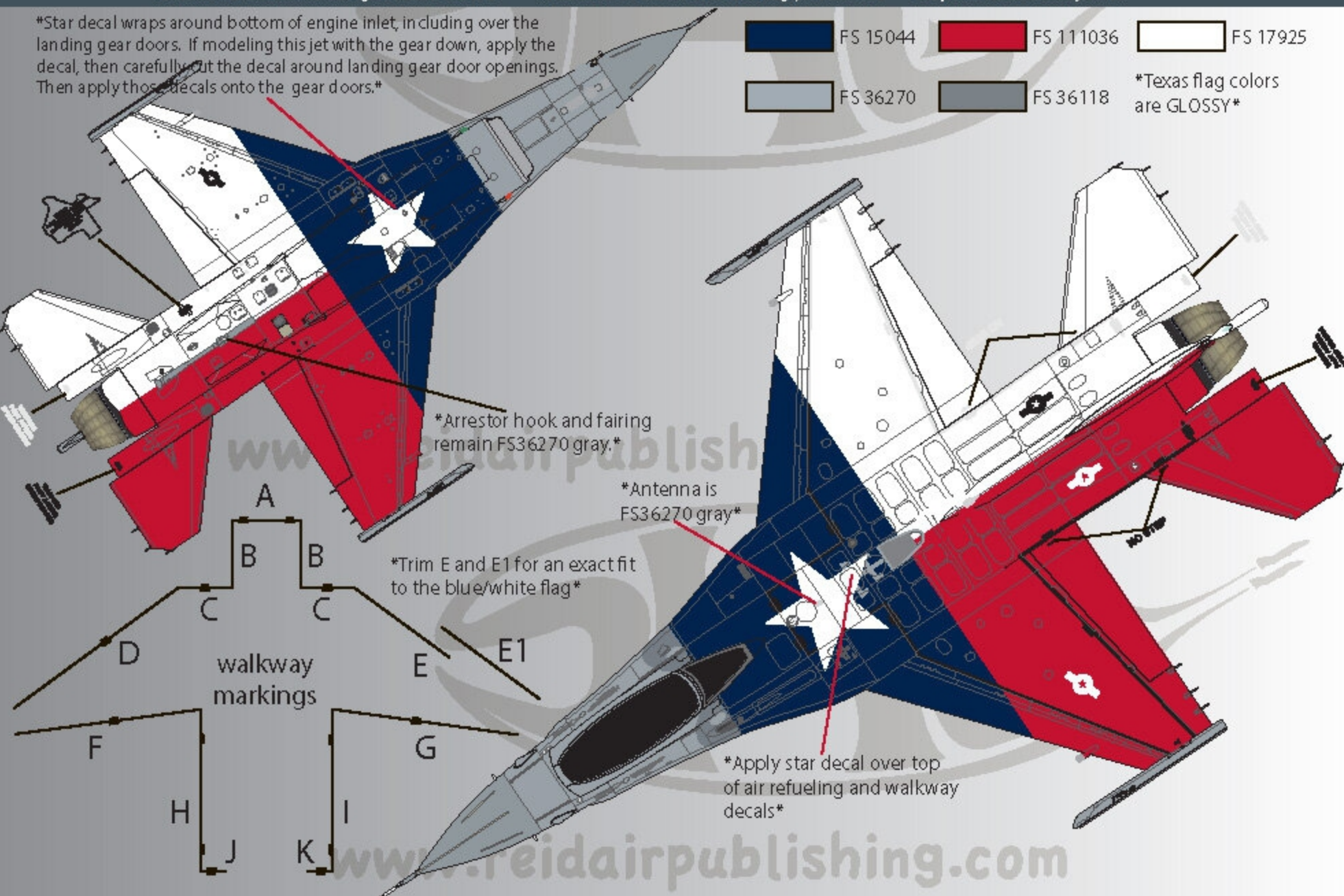
The Spads celebrated their 75th Anniversary in 2019, and chose 86-0246 to receive this astonishing paint scheme in honor of the event. Due to the Covid pandemic, it didn't return from the paint facility until early November 2020, but it will wear this scheme throughout 2021. This is a

fully modernized Block 30, complete with BLOS, AIFF, RAM shielding, etc. Consult your copy of The Modern Viper Guide, 2nd Edition, for details and photos of these upgrades. This Viper retains full maintenance stencils on the airframe. For the forward fuselage, use standard

gray decals. For the red and blue areas, use black stencil decals, and use very light gray stencil decals over the white parts of the jet. Crew names are supplied as decals; however, for a variety of reasons, these are very unlikely to be applied to the actual aircraft and not present as of February 2021.

Star decal wraps around bottom of engine inlet, including over the landing gear doors. If modeling this jet with the gear down, apply the decal, then carefully cut the decal around landing gear door openings. Then apply those decals onto the gear doors.

- FS 15044
- FS 111036
- FS 17925
- FS 36270
- FS 36118
- *Texas flag colors are GLOSSY*



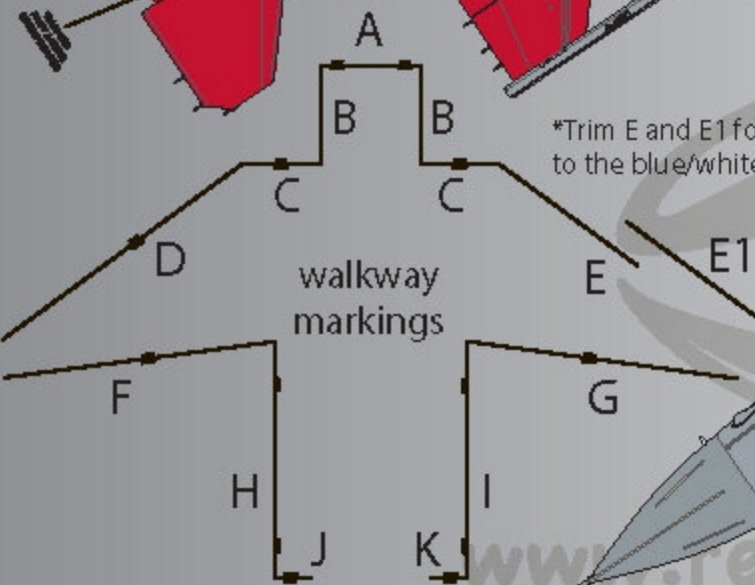
Arrestor hook and fairing remain FS36270 gray.

Antenna is FS36270 gray

Trim E and E1 for an exact fit to the blue/white flag

Apply star decal over top of air refueling and walkway decals

walkway markings



1. PUSH BUTTON TO OPEN DOOR
2. PULL RING OUT 6 FEET TO
JETTISON CANOPY 83-1141, 84-1245

1. PUSH BUTTON TO OPEN DOOR
2. PULL RING OUT 6 FEET TO
JETTISON CANOPY 85-1412, 85-1513, 86-0246

all Block 30s except 86-0246

*A/C serial number is placed
on canopy frame* 85-0384

*all Block 30s
except 86-0246*

REMOVE
SAFE PIN
REMOVE TO EXPOSE
MARKING POSITION OF A/C
85-1412, 85-1513

REMOVE
MARKING ANTENNA
REMOVE THE 1/2 IN. BUSHING
POSITION TO EXPOSE
MARKING POSITION OF A/C
86-0246

Special thanks:

Keith Snyder
Troy Quigley
Wally Van Winkle

Aircraft serial
number goes in
front of refueling
markings on 85-1412
and 85-1513.