

Boeing F-15E USAF "Alaska 90th Fighter Squadron"

The Boeing F-15E Strike Eagle is the attack/ strike version of the Boeing (/McDonnell Douglas F-15 Eagle).

MODEL KITS

In 1/72 scale good F-15E plastic model kits are: Academy of South Korea, Great Wall Hobby and Hasegawa and recently a brand new Revell kit. There are also older kits.

DECAL SYSTEM and APPLICATION

The decal sheet has ONE continuous print film, so EACH decal needs to be cut out with fine scissors. No other prior decal preparation is needed. Each cut out decal can be applied as usual after soaking it a short while in water.

Decals are EXTREMELY THIN, so slide off from the wet backing sheet on a horizontally held GLOSSY model surface. Do not use tweezers! They will fold doubled!

NOTES: for large decals that are to be set on a dark model surface it is better to paint a white/light area underneath. For some smaller decals, a white separate decal may be on a sheet instead; this is often indicated with an "arrow"; put the white underlying decal and then the other on top.

Some tiny white borders may appear at a particular decal. Cut these off or overpaint.

After all decals have been applied, finish the model with your preferred final gloss, matt or semi-matt varnish coats. This will also protect all the decals.

PAINTING AND DECALS

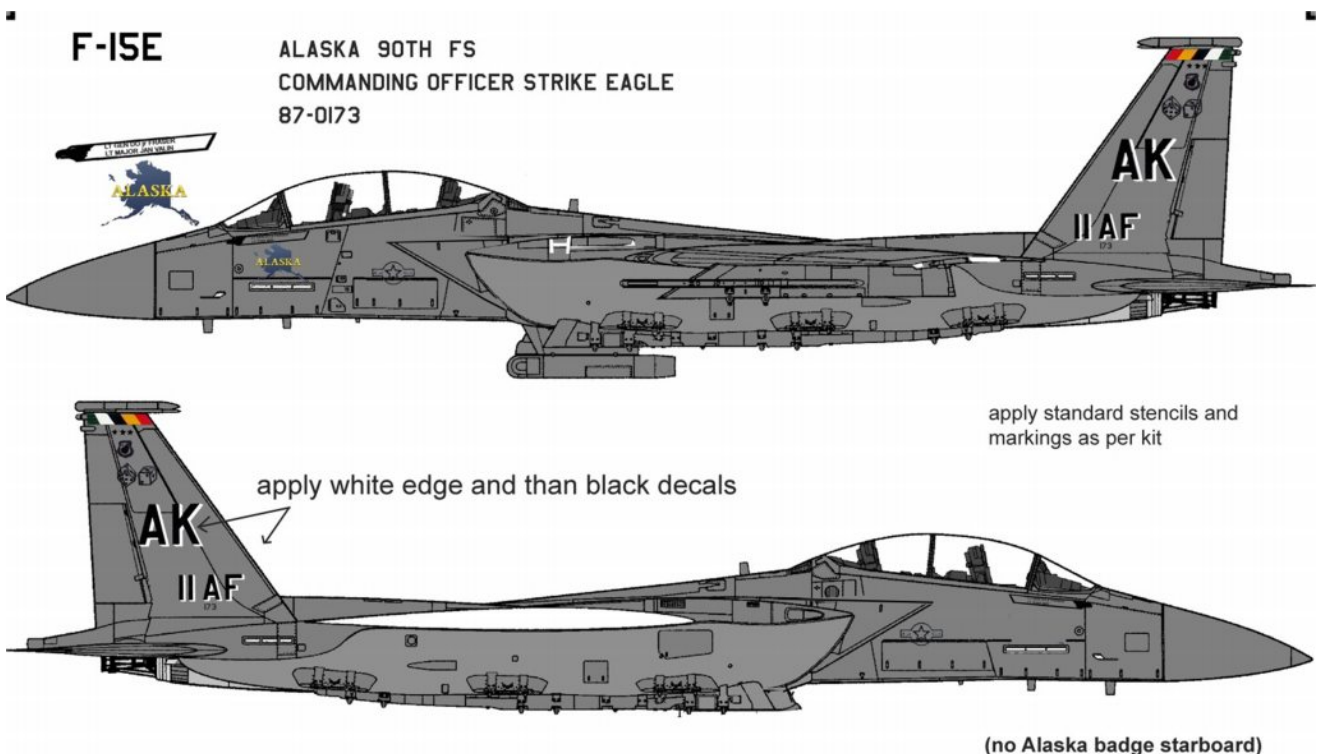
Decals are provided for the schemes described. The smaller stencilling like NO STEPS and others are to be used from the kit and are standard. The overall F-15E colour is Federal Standard FS 36118 dark grey. There are metal areas at the exhausts.

PAINT SCHEME

The scheme is for the 90th FS F-15E assigned to 11th AF commanding officer as flown from Autumn 2005. This F-15E serialied 87-0173 has white outlined tail code AK and operated by 90th FS based at Elmendorf AFB, Alaska.

The codes on the tails have white outlines; apply the white outline decals first, followed by the black decals.

It appears to have otherwise the standard USAF stencils and markings.



(NOTE that the same jet 87-0173 was also flown by the 389th Fighter Squadron/ 366th FW based at Mountain Home air force base, Idaho, USA. See decals sheet AIPD 64 Tigermeet).

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