



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL H. WARREN ROHLFS

Colonel Rohlfs is the Director of Safety, Headquarters Pacific Air Force, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii. He develops, executes, and evaluates all Pacific Air Force aviation, occupational, and weapons mishap prevention programs to preserve combat readiness. He oversees programs to promote safety awareness and mishap prevention, mishap investigations, evaluates corrective actions and ensures implementation for Commander PACAF. He also manages and employs Air Force safety and risk management to three numbered Air Forces.

Colonel Rohlfs graduated from Stevens Institute of Technology and earned his commission through Air Force ROTC in 1998 with bachelors and masters degrees in Electrical Engineering. As an HH-60G pilot, he spent his operational career conducting combat rescue in theaters including Operations ENDURING FREEDOM, IRAQI FREEDOM, the Korean peninsula, and tsunami relief for Operation UNIFIED ASSISTANCE in Sri Lanka. As a field grade officer, Colonel Rohlfs was the helicopter requirements officer for Headquarters Air Combat Command, and later an operational test pilot, test director, and operations officer for the US Air Force Warfare Center and Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center. He later served as HH-60W developmental test pilot and the Chief of Flight Operations, Standardization and Evaluation at Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command. Colonel Rohlfs has also served on the international staff at Headquarters International Security Assistance Force, Kabul, Afghanistan, and most recently as the Deputy Director of the NATO Centre of Excellence Defence Against Terrorism, Ankara, Turkey. Colonel Rohlfs is a command pilot with over 2,100 flying hours in the HH-60G, HH-60W, TH-67, T-37, and UH-1N.



EDUCATION

1998 Bachelor of Engineering degree in Electrical Engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology
1998 Master of Engineering degree in Electrical Engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology
2005 Squadron Officer School (residence)
2007 Air Command and Staff College (correspondence)
2012 Master of Military Arts and Science, Air Command and Staff College (residence)
2013 Air War College (correspondence)

ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 1998 – April 1999, Scheduling Officer, 94th Fighter Squadron, Langley AFB, Virginia
2. April 1999 – December 1999, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training, 33d Flying Training Squadron, Vance AFB, Oklahoma
3. December 1999 – September 2000, Student, Undergraduate Pilot Training-Helicopter, 23d Flying Training Squadron, Ft Rucker, Alabama
4. September 2000 – May 2004, HH-60G Aircraft Commander, Current Operations Officer, Training Officer, 66th Rescue Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nevada

5. May 2004 – May 2007, HH-60G Instructor Pilot, Safety Officer, Flight Commander, 33d Rescue Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan
6. May 2007 – October 2009, HH-60G Evaluator Pilot, Resource Advisor, Assistant Director of Operations, 512th Rescue Squadron, Kirtland AFB, New Mexico
7. October 2009 – July 2011, Chief of HH-60 Recapitalization Requirements Branch, Headquarters Air Combat Command, Langley AFB, Virginia
8. July 2011 – June 2012, Student, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama
9. June 2012 – July 2015, Director of Operations, 88th Test and Evaluation Squadron, Commander's Action Group, 53d Test and Evaluation Group, Deputy Director of Operations, United States Air Force Warfare Center, Nellis AFB, Nevada
10. July 2015 – May 2019, Combat Rescue Helicopter Test Director, UH-1N Replacement Test Director, Chief of Operating Location Hurlburt Field, Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center, Hurlburt Field, Florida
11. June 2019 – December 2021, Chief of Flight Operations, Standards and Evaluation, Headquarters Air Force Material Command, Eglin AFB, Florida
12. January 2022 – June 2023, Japanese Language Training, Defense Language Institute – Washington, Joint Military Attaché School, Joint Base Anacostia Bolling, Washington DC
13. June 2023 – July 2024, Deputy Director, NATO Centre of Excellence Defence Against Terrorism, Ankara, Turkey
14. July 2024 – present, Director of Safety, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. October 2010 – April 2011, Military Assistant to the Director of Development, Deputy Chief of Staff for Stability, Headquarters International Security Assistance Force, Kabul, Afghanistan
2. June 2023 – July 2024, Deputy Director, NATO Centre of Excellence Defence Against Terrorism, Ankara, Turkey

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot

Flight hours: 2,100

Aircraft flown: HH-60G, HH-60W, HC-130, T-37, TH-67, UH-1N

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Aerial Achievement Medal

Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Achievement Medal

Combat Readiness Medal with two oak leaf clusters

National Defense Medal

Afghanistan Campaign Medal with three service stars

Iraq Campaign Medal with two service stars

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Korean Defense Service Medal

Humanitarian Service Medal

NATO Medal

Distinguished Graduate, Air Command and Staff College, 2012

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant: 8 June 1998

First Lieutenant: 8 June 2000

Captain: 8 June 2002

Major: 1 March 2008

Lieutenant Colonel: 1 July 2013

Colonel: 1 September 2019

(current as of July 2024)