



Chief Master Sergeant Scott M. Tontegode

CMSgt Scott M. Tontegode is the Nebraska State Command Chief. He is the primary advisor to the Adjutant General and senior staff on matters concerning the health, welfare, morale, professional development, and discipline of over 800 enlisted Airmen assigned to the state.

Chief Tontegode enlisted in the Nebraska Air National Guard in May of 1987 and graduated from the Refrigeration Specialist Course at Sheppard Air Force Base in January of 1988. Chief Tontegode has spent his entire career attached to the 155th Air Refueling Wing and has held positions in Civil Engineering, the Medical Group and the Wing Staff. Chief Tontegode has been involved in developing multiple Air Force and Air National Guard safety courses and has instructed over 1500 students in 26 states on safety and health regulations, safety program management and safety concepts. Chief Tontegode has deployed to Mississippi in support of Joint Task Force Katrina and to Antarctica as an Occupational Safety Specialist in support of Operation Deep Freeze. He also has been involved in numerous state activations due to natural disasters. Prior to his current assignment, Chief Tontegode served as the 155th Air Refueling Wing Command Chief.



EDUCATION

- 1988 Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Apprentice Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 1993 Bachelor of Arts, Geography with an emphasis on Environmental Studies, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.
- 1997 Environmental Specialist Apprentice Course, Sheppard AFB, Texas
- 1997 Hazardous Waste Operations and Response Course, 40- Hour, Fort Sill, Okla.
- 1998 Occupational Safety and Health Administration Permit-Required Confined Space Entry Course, Chicago, Ill.
- 1998 United States Air Force Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, by correspondence
- 2000 United States Air Force Safety Apprentice Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2000 United States Air Force Senior Non-Commissioned Officer Academy, by correspondence
- 2002 United States Air Force Mishap Investigation, Non-Aviation Course, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
- 2007 Senior Safety Professional Course, Kirtland AFB, N.M.
- 2007 Associate of Applied Science in Ecological Controls, Community College of the Air Force
- 2007 Associate of Applied Science in Safety, Community College of the Air Force
- 2014 United States Air Force Risk Management Application and Integration Course, Hickam AFB, Hawaii
- 2017 United States Air Force Wing Drug Demand Reduction Program Manager Course, Lackland AFB, Texas
- 2019 Air Reserve Component Weapons Safety Management Course, Hill AFB, Utah
- 2019 Chief Master Sergeant Orientation Course, Joint Base Andrews, Md.
- 2019 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education I, by correspondence
- 2020 Senior Enlisted Joint Professional Military Education II, by correspondence
- 2020 Air National Guard Command Chief Master Sergeant Training Course
- 2021 Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) Phase I Course
- 2024 Women, Peace and Security Implementation Course





ASSIGNMENTS

1. August 1987-October 1987, Student, Basic Military Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
2. October 1987-November 1990, Refrigeration Specialist, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, Neb.
3. November 1990-September 1997, Utilities Craftsman, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, Neb.
4. September 1997-August 1999, Environmental Specialist, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, Neb.
5. August 1999-November 2019, Occupational Safety Manager, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, Neb.
6. November 2019-Present, Command Chief Master Sergeant, 155th Air Refueling Wing, Lincoln, Neb.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with nine oak leaf clusters
Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Medal with 9 Oak leaf clusters
Air Force Recognition Ribbon
National Defense Service Medal with bronze star
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Humanitarian Service Medal
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal
Nuclear Deterrence Operations Service Medal
Air Force Longevity Service with six oak leaf clusters
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with four devices
Antarctica Service Medal

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

1991 Honor Graduate, Environmental Support Specialist Course
2000 Distinguished Graduate, Safety Apprentice Course
2016 Air National Guard Director of Safety Outstanding Achievement Award

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Nebraska National Guard Enlisted Association

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Airman Basic Aug. 26, 1987
Senior Airman July 1, 1989
Staff Sergeant Feb. 15, 1992
Technical Sergeant Oct. 21, 1994
Master Sergeant Aug. 17, 1998
Senior Master Sergeant March 17, 2002
Chief Master Sergeant Oct. 1, 2017

(Current as of January 2025)

