



VF-31 WWII Attack on Regensburg

A strategic attack by B-17 Flying Fortress aircraft of the USAAF in August 1943. The mission was conceived as a plan to cripple the production of German fighter aircraft. It was a "double strike" operation with two bomber forces attacking separate targets to disperse German fighter reaction. The factories were located at Regensburg and Schweinfurt. This mission is for the high level attack on Regensburg.

Suggested Aircraft

Boeing B-17 Flying Fortress
P-47 Thunderbolt

Mission Legs

1. B-17 aircraft of the 309th Bomb Group to fly from Bruntingthorpe AFB (FS9 – EGØD/FSX - EG74) and simulate high level bombing of the Messerschmitt Bf 109 production facility at Regensburg (FS9 Wallmuhle/FSX Straubing EDMS) and return to Bruntingthorpe - 1,124nm.
2. B-17 aircraft of 96th Bomb Group to fly from Deenethorpe AFB (UKØ1) to simulate high level bombing of Regensburg (FS9 – Wallmuhle/FSX Straubing EDMS). Aircraft to return to Bone AFB/Raba Bitat, Algeria (DABB) – 1,297nm. [FS2004 Flightplan](#) [FSX Flightplan](#) [X-Plane Flightplan](#)
3. P-47 aircraft to fly escort for B-17 aircraft. Fly from RAF Duxford (EGSU) to Regensburg (EDMS). Return to RAF Duxford - 1,020nm.
4. P-47 to fly from RAF Duxford (EGSU) to Maastricht-Aachen (EHBK), escort B-17 back to Bruntingthorpe (FS9 – EGØD/FSX - EG74) and return to RAF Duxford – 550nm. [FS2004 Flightplan](#) [FSX Flightplan](#) [X-Plane Flightplan](#)

NOTAMS:

Total mission distance 3,991nm.

Four flights required for ribbon credit.

Assume P47D – 1.900nm range

Caution: Deenethorpe runway 3,937ft

Bombing altitude minimum 23000ft

Where possible actual wartime airfields used by USAAF, have been specified.

Where these are not available, modern airfields, in appropriate locations have been used