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This mission directive implements policy guidance in Air Force Policy Directive (AFPD) 38-1, *Manpower and Organization*. This Air Mobility Command (AMC) Mission Directive prescribes the mission, command relationship, responsibilities, and organization of the Eighteenth Air Force (18 AF). It applies to Air Mobility Command effective upon the date of signature. This publication applies to the Air National Guard upon mobilization. This publication does not apply to the United States Space Force or Air Force Reserve Command Units. Ensure all records generated as a result of processes prescribed in this publication adhere to Air Force Instruction (AFI) 33-322, *Records Management and Information Governance Program*, and are disposed in accordance with (IAW) the Air Force Records Disposition Schedule, which is located in the Air Force Records Information Management System. Refer recommended changes and questions about this publication to the Office of Primary Responsibility (OPR) using the DAF Form 847, *Recommendation for Change of Publication*; route DAF Form 847 from the field through the appropriate functional's chain of command. This publication may not be supplemented or further implemented/extended. Compliance items in this publication are "T-2". Submit requests for waivers through the chain of command to the appropriate Tier waiver approval authority, or alternately, to the publication OPR for non-tiered compliance items.

## SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This document updates, clarifies, and streamlines the 18 AF mission, functional statements, and organizational structure.

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**1. Mission.** The 18 AF mission is to provide ready aircraft, Airmen, and equipment for contested global air mobility operations...anytime, anywhere. 18 AF provides command oversight and readiness advocacy for 12 wings and 1 direct reporting unit. Located at Scott AFB, Illinois, 18 AF partners with AMC staff directorates to present deployable aviation and support equipment and forces to support unified combatant commands.

**2. Command.** 18 AF is a direct reporting unit assigned to AMC (see [Attachment 2 Figure A2.1](#) for organizational structure).

2.1. 18 AF Commander (18 AF/CC) is under the command of AMC/CC, and normal command channels apply except when otherwise authorized. 18 AF/CC exercises administrative control of assigned forces to include command authority to organize, train, and equip.

2.2. 18 AF/CC exercises General Court-Martial Convening Authority (GCMCA) over assigned and attached personnel in accordance with Department of Air Force Instruction (DAFI) 51-201, *Administration of Military Justice*.

### 3. Responsibilities.

3.1. Commands twelve wings and one direct reporting unit focused on air mobility operations and support to include: air refueling, airlift, airdrop, aeromedical evacuation, and installation support.

3.2. Provides installation management to mission partners on the command's installations.

3.3. Provides mission-ready, expeditionary Airmen to support unified combatant commanders for on-going military operations.

3.4. Provides deployable and expeditionary aviation and support teams to execute global air mobility operations and support worldwide.

3.5. Extends the existing AMC infrastructure through in-place employment and delivery of rapid forward deployable capabilities and presentation of forces to warfighting unified commanders.

3.6. Advocates with Commander Air Force Forces and AMC-Staff Directors for installation readiness and preparedness of force to support operational requirements.

3.7. Exercises GCMCA to ensure good order and discipline.

3.8. Exercises Senior Rater responsibilities to deliberately develop Airmen for today's and tomorrow's operations.

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**Attachment 1****GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION*****References***

AFPD 38-1, *Manpower and Organization*, 2 July 2019

AFI 33-322, *Records Management and Information Governance Program*, 27 July 2021

DAFI 51-201, *Administration of Military Justice*, 14 April 2022

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***Abbreviations and Acronyms***

**18 AF**—Eighteenth Air Force

**AFI**—Air Force Instruction

**AFMAN**—Air Force Manual

**AFPD**—Air Force Policy Directive

**AMC**—Air Mobility Command

**CC**—Commander

**DAFI**—Department of the Air Force Instruction

**GCMCA**—General Court-Martial Convening Authority

**IAW**—In accordance with

**OPR**—Office of Primary Responsibility

Attachment 2  
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Figure A2.1. Organizational Chart.

