

Organizational Diagram of the Self-Defense Forces

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Minister of Defense

Chief of Staff

Joint Staff Office

Chief of Staff, GSDF

Ground Staff Office

Chief of Staff, MSDF

Maritime Staff Office

Chief of Staff, ASDF

Air Staff Office

Northern Army

- 2nd Division (Asahikawa)
- 5th Brigade (Obihiro)
- 7th Division (Higashi Chitose)
- 11th Brigade (Makomanai)
- 1st Tank Group (Kita Eniwa)
- 1st Field Artillery Brigade (Kita Chitose)
- 1st Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade (Higashi Chitose)
- Northern Engineer Unit (Minami Eniwa)
- Others

Northeastern Army

- 6th Division (Jinmachi)
- 9th Division (Aomori)
- Northeastern Combined Brigade (Sendai)
- 2nd Field Artillery Group (Sendai)
- 5th Antiaircraft Artillery Group (Hachinohe)
- 2nd Engineer Brigade (Funaoka)
- Others

Eastern Army

- 1st Division (Nerima)
- 12th Brigade (Somagahara)
- 2nd Antiaircraft Artillery Group (Matsudo)
- 1st Engineer Brigade (Koga)
- 1st Training Brigade (Takeyama)
- Others

Middle Army

- 3rd Division (Senzo)
- 10th Division (Moriyama)
- 13th Brigade (Kaitaichi)
- 14th Brigade (Zentsuji)
- 8th Antiaircraft Artillery Group (Aonogahara)
- 4th Engineer Brigade (Okubo)
- Middle Combined Brigade (Otsu)
- Others

Western Army

- 4th Division (Fukuoka)
- 8th Division (Kita Kumamoto)
- 15th Brigade (Naha)
- Western Field Artillery Unit (Yufuin)
- 2nd Antiaircraft Artillery Brigade (Iizuka)
- 5th Engineer Brigade (Ogori)
- 3rd Training Brigade (Ainoura)
- Others

Central Readiness Force

- 1st Airborne Brigade (Narashino)
- 1st Helicopter Brigade (Kisarazu)
- Central Readiness Regiment (Utsunomiya)
- Central NBC Weapon Defense Unit (Omiya)
- Special Operation Group (Narashino)
- Others

- Signal Brigade (Ichigaya)
- Ground Research & Development Command (Asaka)
- Ground Material Control Command (Jujo)
- Other units and organizations

Self-Defense Fleet

Fleet Escort Force

- 1st Escort Flotilla (Yokosuka)
- 2nd Escort Flotilla (Sasebo)
- 3rd Escort Flotilla (Maizuru)
- 4th Escort Flotilla (Kure)
- Others

Fleet Air Force

- 1st Fleet Air Wing (Kanoya)
- 2nd Fleet Air Wing (Hachinohe)
- 4th Fleet Air Wing (Atsugi)
- 5th Fleet Air Wing (Naha)
- 21st Fleet Air Wing (Tateyama)
- 22nd Fleet Air Wing (Omura)
- 31st Fleet Air Wing (Iwakuni)
- Others

Fleet Submarine Force

- 1st Submarine Flotilla (Kure)
- 2nd Submarine Flotilla (Yokosuka)
- Others

- Mine Warfare Force (Yokosuka)
- Fleet Research Development Command (Yokosuka)
- Oceanographic Command (Yokosuka)
- Fleet Intelligence Command (Yokosuka)
- Others

Yokosuka District

Kure District

Sasebo District

Maizuru District

Ominato District

- Air Training Command (Shimofusa)
- Training Squadron (Kure)
- Communications Command (Ichigaya)
- MSDF Maritime Materiel Command (Jujo)
- Other units and organizations

Air Defense Command

Northern Air Defense Force

- 2nd Air Wing (Chitose)
- 3rd Air Wing (Misawa)
- Northern Aircraft Control and Warning Wing (Misawa)
- 3rd Air Defense Missile Group (Chitose)
- 6th Air Defense Missile Group (Misawa)
- Others

Central Air Defense Force

- 6th Air Wing (Komatsu)
- 7th Air Wing (Hyakuri)
- Central Aircraft Control and Warning Wing (Iruma)
- 1st Air Defense Missile Group (Iruma)
- 4th Air Defense Missile Group (Gifu)
- Others

Western Air Defense Force

- 5th Air Wing (Nyutabaru)
- 8th Air Wing (Tsuiki)
- Western Aircraft Control and Warning Wing (Kasuga)
- 2nd Air Defense Missile Group (Kasuga)
- Others

Southwestern Composite Air Division

- 83rd Air Wing (Naha)
- Southwestern Aircraft Control and Warning Wing (Naha)
- 5th Air Defense Missile Group (Naha)
- Others

Air Support Command

- Air Rescue Wing (Iruma)
- 1st Tactical Airlift Group (Komaki)
- 2nd Tactical Airlift Group (Iruma)
- 3rd Tactical Airlift Group (Miho)
- Air Traffic Control Service Group (Iruma)
- Air Weather Service Group (Fuchu)
- Others

Air Training Command

- 1st Air Wing (Hamamatsu)
- 4th Air Wing (Matsushima)
- 11th Flying Training Wing (Shizuhamu)
- 12th Flying Training Wing (Hofu-kita)
- 13th Flying Training Wing (Ashiya)
- Air Basic Training Wing (Hofu-minami)
- Others

Air Development and Test Command

- Air Development and Test Wing (Gifu)
- Electronics Development and Test Group (Iruma)
- Aero-Medical Laboratory (Tachikawa, Iruma)

- Air Communications and System Wing (Ichigaya)
- Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron (Komaki)
- Air Material Command (Jujo)
- Other units and organizations