

Commander Kevin Rice
Executive Officer
Air Test and Evaluation Squadron 30



Cmdr. Kevin S. Rice is a 1998 graduate of Purdue University where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Technology and a commission as an ensign in the United States Navy.

After completing flight training, Rice was attached to Patrol Squadron (VP) 10 in Brunswick, Maine. He deployed twice with the “Red Lancers” as a P-3C pilot. Following sea duty, he reported as a Fleet Replacement Squadron Instructor Pilot with the VP-30 “Pro’s Nest” in Jacksonville, Florida, in 2004. Price went back to sea in 2007 as a Catapult and Arresting Gear Officer “Shooter” onboard USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76). He also served as the V-1 Division Officer and “Top-Cat” and deployed twice with the ship.

In 2010, he reported to VP-30 as a student in preparation for his department head tour with the VP-4 “Skinny Dragons” Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. During his time in VP-4, Rice made one 7th Fleet deployment and served as the senior pilot and maintenance officer. He then transferred across the road to Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing (CPRW) 2 in 2012, where he served as the government flight representative for the Broad Area Maritime Surveillance-Demonstrator program and as the CPRW-2 training officer.

Rice transferred to Expeditionary Combat Readiness Center Norfolk in 2015 and deployed to Sembach, Germany as the director/assistant officer-in-charge of the Warrior Transition Program. He later assumed the duties as officer-in-charge in October 2015. Rice reported as the executive officer of VX-30 in Point Mugu, California, in March 2016.

Rice has logged over 2,700 military flight hours in fixed wing aircraft. He is authorized to wear the Navy Commendation Medal (six awards), and the Navy Achievement Medal as well as many other personal and unit decorations, to include two Humanitarian Service Medals.