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P-3C ORION CUP +





Aircraft: P-3C ORION CUP +

Lenght: 35,6 m Wingspan: 30,4 m Height: 10,3 m

Max take-off weight: 64.410 kg

Speed: 760km/hr **Autonomy**: 16 hrs

OVERVIEW

The P-3C CUP+ results from a 5 P-3C modernization program acquired the Netherlands, and the prototype was formally delivered in September 2010.

The P-3C CUP+ keeps all maritime patrol capabilities inherited from the P-3P, including Anti-Submarine Wrestling (ASW), Anti-Surface Control (ASuW) and Search and Rescue (SAR). In addition, a set of sensors associated to a modern system fully integrated tactical mission, enables the P-3C CUP+ to also operate in several missions in the terrestrial environment. It is also equipped with a self-protection system MLWS (Missile and Laser Warning System), which allows the detection of threats and the trigger counter-measures. The combination of these capabilities with the innate characteristics of this aircraft, which highlights its huge autonomy, action range, speed, availability to carry sensors and weapons, operate day and night and in any weather conditions, resulted in a weapon system extremely versatile and flexible.

The P-3C CUP+ started its operation to January 1, 2011, having made his "Baptism of Fire" in operation "Ocean Shield" in the service of NATO in the Indian Ocean, in anti-piracy missions with excellent results and a 100% readiness.







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