



Armament Practice Station RAF Sylt

The only air-to-air firing range in 2TAF was over the North Sea off the North Frisian island of Sylt, and as such it was regularly used by Hunter 4s and 6s and later FR.10s, as well as by Venoms, Meteors, Sabres, Swifts and Javelins. From 1958/59 the Luftwaffe was a

(Top) Meteor F.8 WL131 'N', Target Towing Squadron, APS Sylt showing the standard scheme in 1957/8 of overall High Speed Silver with yellow training bands around outer wings and rear fuselage, and yellow under surfaces with diagonal black target towing stripes. The aircraft serial number was stencilled in black on the yellow nose wheel door. (Peter Sawyer)

(Above) Meteor F8 WL189 'A', TTS, taxis out at Sylt. It has a narrow rear fuselage yellow band, and RAF Sylt badge which most of the Squadron's F8s displayed on each side of the nose. (Peter Sawyer)

(Right) Flt Lt Peter Sawyer climbs aboard F8 WF715 'M' of the TTS, with WK930 'Y' in the background. (Peter Sawyer)

(Below) Meteor F8, WK815 'R', unusually in the Dark Green / Dark Sea Grey fighter camouflage but with target towing stripes, taxis from the busy TTS flight line, which includes a T.7 and gun-blackened F8 WH300 'C'. (Peter Sawyer)

