

New Zealand's First Boeing P-8A Poseidon Rolls Out of Paint Shop

- The Royal New Zealand Air Force has ordered 4 P-8s

- The first airplane will deliver later this year

RENTON, Wash., July 21, 2022—Boeing [NYSE:BA] today debuted the first P-8A Poseidon aircraft for New Zealand in its Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF) livery. New Zealand is one of eight nations to have acquired the P-8 as their new multi-mission maritime patrol aircraft.

"The aircraft features the iconic Kiwi roundel, a native bird to New Zealand," said Sheena Vince Cruz, Boeing P-8 Asia-Pacific region program manager. "Although flightless, the Kiwi bird is recognizable and will continue 'flying' as a symbol on the P-8A for decades to come."

The New Zealand Government purchased four Boeing P-8A Poseidon maritime patrol and reconnaissance aircraft that will eventually replace the current fleet of six aging P-3K2 Orion aircraft. The P-8As will provide advanced capabilities to maintain situational awareness in neighboring waters on and below the surface of the ocean.

First flight is scheduled in the coming weeks followed by mission systems installation. The aircraft is scheduled to be delivered to the New Zealand Ministry of Defence later this year.

As a leading global aerospace company, Boeing develops, manufactures and services commercial airplanes, defense products and space systems for customers in more than 150 countries. As a top U.S. exporter, the company leverages the talents of a global supplier base to advance economic opportunity, sustainability and community impact. Boeing's diverse team is committed to innovating for the future, leading with sustainability, and cultivating a culture based on the company's core values of safety, quality and integrity. Join our team and find your purpose at [boeing.com/careers](https://www.boeing.com/careers).

#

Contact

Kymberly Vandlac

Boeing Communications

+1 (425) 210-7851

kymberly.y.vandlac@boeing.com

Additional assets available online: [Photos \(3\)](#) [Video \(1\)](#)