

## Captured Emil #2

## captured Bf 109 E-4/B W.Nr 4101

Short history of Bf 109 E-4/B W.Nr. 4101

September 1940 Constructed as a Bf-109E-4 by Erla Maschinenwerk at Leipzig.

Taken on Strength/Charge with the Luftwaffe with s/n GH+DX.

Transferred to 2./JG51.

Operated with markings: black 12

4 September 1940 Ferry flight. Flown from Leipzig-Mockau to Jena-Rotzen.

5 September 1940 Flown from Koln-Ostheim to Pihen.

Converted to a Bf-109E-4/B. Subsequently modified in the field as a Fighter-Bomber

to carry a 250kg (551 lb) bomb. Transferred to 2./JG51. Wissant.

27 November 1940 Crashed (Lt Wolfgan Teurer) Forced landing with gear up at Manston, Kent.

Shot down by a Spitfire from No 66 Squadron (F/Lt. G.P. Christi)

14 December 1940 Transported by ground. Delivered to RAF Hucknall.

Sent to Hucknall for repair and flight testing / evaulation. Made airworthy using components from a number of downed Bf-109s.

The tail came from W.Nr 6313. The top cowling came from 1653.

The rear top cowling came from 4010. The starboard wing came from 1418.

The port wing was built by Fiesler, but no identification was found. The propeller was replaced and a RAF oxygen system was installed.

25 February 1941 First post-rebuild flight.

Taken on Strength/Charge with the RAF with s/n DG200.

8 February 1941 Transferred to de Havilland, Hatfield.

Sent to Hatfield for testing of the variable pitch propeller installation.

February-March 1942 Transferred to A and AEE, Boscombe Down.

24 March 1942 Transferred to No 1426 Enemy Aircraft Flight, Duxford.

An attempt was made at a ferry flight from Boscombe Down to Duxford but returned

to Boscombe Down with a hydraulic failure.

28 April 1942 Transported by ground. Moved from Boscombe Down to Duxford.

Flown extensively by No 1426 as a demonstrator in familiarisation exercises. Engine changed out with one from Bf-110C-5 RAF Ax772.

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12 April 1943 Transferred to No 1426 Enemy Aircraft Flight, RAF Collyweston.

circa September 1943 Assigned to No 16 MU, Stafford for storage.

Transferred to Air Historical Branch.

circa August 1944 Assigned to Air Historical Branch, No 52 MU, Cardiff for storage.

Assigned to Air Historical Branch, German Air Force Equipment Centre,

RAF Stanmore for storage.

1955 Assigned to Air Historical Branch, No 15 MU, Wroughton, Wilts for storage.

circa 1958 Transferred to Air Historical Branch, RAF Fulbeck, Lincs.

1960 Transferred to Air Historical Branch, RAF Biggin Hill. Assembled for display.

12 August 1969 Transported by air. Delivered to Air Historical Branch, RAF Chivenor.

Dismantled and moved from Biggin Hill to RAF Chivenor for display.

September 1969 Transported by ground. Delivered to Air Historical Branch, RAF Saint Athan, South

Wales. Moved from Chivenor to RAF Saint Athan, South Wales for display.

from 1970 to 1971 Markings Applied: black 12. Refurbished while at Saint Athan.

16 February 1976 New serial number assigned: 8477M RAF

20 May 1978 Displayed at Biggin Hill.

circa 1947

May 1978 Loaned to RAF Museum, Hendon.

29 May 1983 Officially transferred to the Ministry of Defence, but remained on display at Hendon. 3 August 1997 Transferred to RAF Museum, Grahame Park Way, Hendon, London, England.

Formally donated to the RAF Museum by the MoD.

from August 1997 till today Messerschmitt BF109 E-4/B W.Nr 4101 is part of the Battle of Britain Aircraft

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