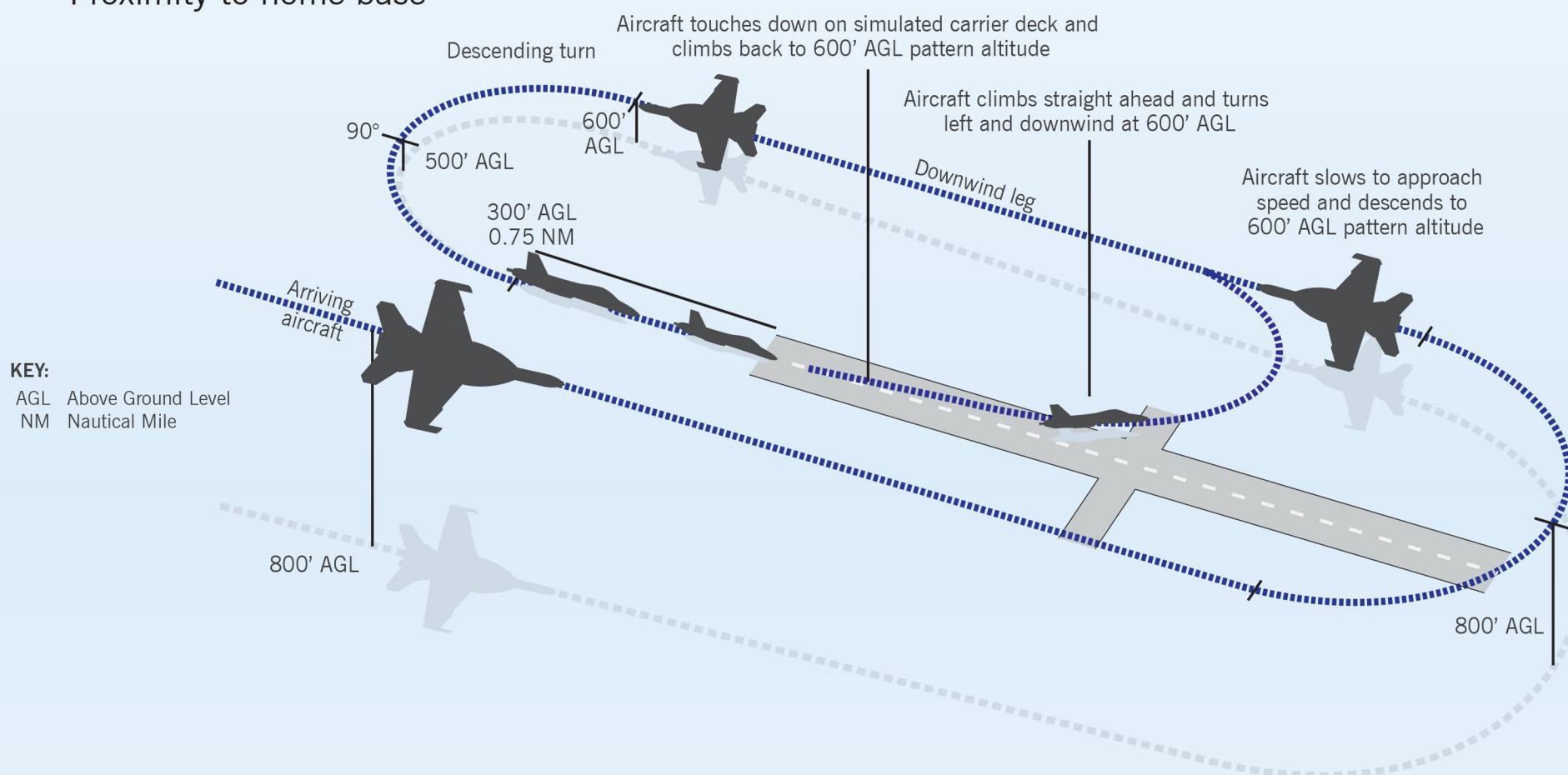


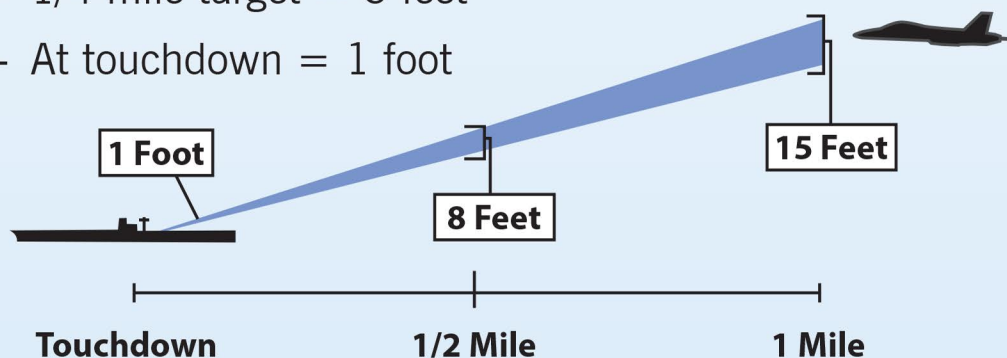
Field Carrier Landing Practice

- Building block of carrier operations
 - Training required to ensure pilots can safely land on a carrier—one of the hardest tasks in aviation
- Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Coupeville is the best location for Growler field carrier landing practice (FCLP)
 - Most realistic pattern
 - Geography and pattern altitude most closely replicate carrier landing
 - Favorable terrain and lighting
 - No interference from other aircraft during FCLPs
 - Proximity to home base



Carrier Landings Require Skill and Precision

- Pilots must “thread the needle” of a moving target while traveling at 150 miles per hour
- Day/night, in any weather
 - Target “window” at 1 mile = 15 feet
 - 1/2 mile target = 8 feet
 - 1/4 mile target = 5 feet
 - At touchdown = 1 foot



Modeled Day/Night FCLP Flight Tracks at OLF Coupeville

