DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00–ACE–7]

Amendment to Class E Airspace; Hampton, IA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This action amends the Class E airspace area at Hampton Municipal Airport, Hampton, IA. The FAA has developed Area Navigation (RNAV) Runway (RWY) 17 and RNAV RWY 35 Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) to serve Hampton Municipal Airport, IA. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) is needed to accommodate these SIAPs and for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at this airport. The enlarged area will contain the RNAV RWY 17 and RNAV RWY 35 SIAPs in controlled airspace.

In addition a minor revision to the Airport Reference Point (ARP) is included in this document.

The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled Class E airspace for aircraft executing RNAV RWY 17 and RNAV RWY 35 SIAPs, revise the ARP and to segregate aircraft using instrument approach procedures in instrument conditions from aircraft operating in visual conditions.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective on 0901 UTC, October 5, 2000.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before July 10, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the rule in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, ACE–520, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket Number 00–ACE–7, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE–520C, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329–2525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA has developed RNAV RWY 17 and RNAV RWY 35 SIAPs to serve the Hampton Municipal Airport, IA. The amendment to Class E airspace at Hampton, IA, will provide additional controlled airspace at and above 700 feet AGL in order to contain the SIAPs within controlled airspace and thereby facilitate separation of aircraft operating under Instrument Flight Rules (IFR). The amendment at Hampton Municipal Airport, IA, will provide additional controlled airspace for aircraft operating under IFR and revise the ARP. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9G, dated September 10, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Direct Final Rule Procedure

The FAA anticipates that this regulation will not result in adverse or negative comment and, therefore, is issuing it as a direct final rule. Previous actions of this nature have not been controversial and have not resulted in adverse comments or objections. The amendment will enhance safety for all flight operations by designating an area where VFR pilots may anticipate the presence of IFR aircraft at lower altitudes, especially during inclement weather conditions. A greater degree of safety is achieved by depicting the area on aeronautical charts. Unless a written adverse or negative comment, or a written notice of intent to submit an adverse or negative comment is received within the comment period, the regulation will become effective on the date specified above. After the close of the comment period, the FAA will publish a document in the Federal Register indicating that no adverse or negative comments were received and confirming the date on which the final rule will become effective. If the FAA does receive, within the comment period, and adverse or negative comment, or written notice of intent to submit such a comment, a document withdrawing the direct final rule will be published in the Federal Register and a notice of proposed rulemaking may be published with a new comment period.
Comments Invited

Although this action is in the form of a final rule and was not preceded by a notice of proposed rulemaking, comments are invited on this rule. Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified under the caption ADDRESSES. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered, and this rule may be amended or withdrawn in light of the comments received.

Factual information that supports the commenter’s ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of this action and determining whether additional rulemaking action would be needed.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the rule that might suggest a need to modify the rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report that summarizes each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this action will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this rule must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: “Comments to Docket No. 00–ACE–7.” The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Agency Findings

The regulations adopted herein will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national Government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, it is determined that this final rule does not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

The FAA has determined that this regulation is noncontroversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. For the reasons discussed in the preamble, I certify that this regulation (1) is not a “significant regulatory rule” under Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:


§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9G Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth. * * * *

Hampton Municipal Airport, IA
(Lat. 42°43′26″ N., long. 93°13′35″ W.)

Hampton NDB
(Lat. 42°43′32″ N., long. 93°13′30″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.4-mile radius of Hampton Municipal Airport and within 2.6 miles each side of the 343° bearing from the Hampton NDB extending from the 6.4 mile radius to 7.4 miles northwest of the airport and 2 miles each side of the 177° bearing from the Hampton Municipal Airport extending from the 6.4 mile radius to 7.7 miles south of the airport, excluding that airspace within the Mason City, IA Class E airspace.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

19 CFR Part 12

[T.D. 00–36]

RIN 1515–AC62

Entry of Softwood Lumber Shipments From Canada

AGENCY: Customs Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Interim regulations; solicitation of comments.

SUMMARY: This document adopts on an interim basis an amendment to the provision within the Customs Regulations that sets forth entry requirements for shipments of softwood lumber from Canada under the agreement between the Governments of the United States and Canada regarding trade in softwood lumber. This interim implementation amends an amendment to the softwood lumber agreement involving the addition of two export fee payment status categories (permit type codes) covering softwood lumber from the Canadian province of British Columbia.

DATES:

Effective Date: Interim rule effective May 23, 2000.

Comments: Comments must be submitted by July 24, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be addressed to, and inspected at, the Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20229.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This document amends the Customs Regulations on an interim basis to reflect an amendment of the agreement between the Governments of the United States and Canada regarding trade in softwood lumber. The amendment involves the addition of two export fee payment status categories (permit type codes) covering softwood lumber from the Canadian province of British Columbia.

Adoption of the Softwood Lumber Agreement

On May 29, 1996, the United States entered into the Softwood Lumber Agreement (the Agreement) with Canada under the authority of section 301(c)(1)(D) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2141(c)(1)(D)), which authorizes the United States