

(i) Prior to the accumulation of 20,000 total landings.

(ii) Within 1,500 landings after the most recent detailed visual inspection accomplished in accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD.

(iii) Within 90 days after October 7, 1998 (the effective date of AD 98-20-20).

Follow-On Action: High Frequency Eddy Current Inspection

(h) If any cracking is detected during the detailed visual inspections required by paragraph (g) of this AD, prior to further flight, accomplish a surface probe high frequency eddy current (HFEC) inspection from the forward side of the bulkhead to detect cracking of the upper and lower segments of the bulkhead web around the fasteners that attach the web to the outer chord of the Y-ring, in accordance with Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747-53A2275, Revision 6, dated August 27, 1998. For the inspection of the lower segment of the bulkhead web, the area between the 149 degree radial zee stiffeners may be omitted. Repair any cracking, prior to further flight, in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate; or in accordance with data meeting the type certification basis of the airplane approved by a Boeing Company Designated Engineering Representative who has been authorized by the Manager, Seattle ACO, to make such findings.

New Requirements of This AD

Repetitive Detailed Visual and HFEC Inspections

(i) If no cracking is detected during the detailed visual inspection required by paragraph (g) of this AD, within 1,500 flight cycles after accomplishment of that inspection or within 250 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later: Repeat the detailed visual inspection, as specified in paragraph (g); and perform a surface probe HFEC inspection from the forward side of the bulkhead to detect cracking of the upper and lower segments of the bulkhead web, in accordance with Figure 15 of Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747-53A2275, Revision 6, dated August 27, 1998. For the inspection of the lower segment of the bulkhead web, the area between the 149 degree radial zee stiffeners may be omitted.

(1) If no cracking is detected, repeat the detailed visual inspection thereafter at intervals not to exceed 1,500 flight cycles; and repeat the surface probe HFEC inspection thereafter at intervals not to exceed 3,000 flight cycles.

Repair

(2) If any cracking is detected, prior to further flight, repair in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, or a Boeing Company Designated Engineering Representative who has been authorized by the FAA to make such findings. For a repair method to be approved by the Manager, Seattle ACO, as required by this paragraph,

the Manager's approval letter must specifically reference this AD.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(j)(1) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Seattle ACO. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Seattle ACO.

(2) Alternative methods of compliance, approved previously in accordance with AD 98-20-20, amendment 39-10786, are approved as alternative methods of compliance with this AD.

Note 4: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Seattle ACO.

Special Flight Permits

(k) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Incorporation by Reference

(l) Except as provided by paragraphs (h) and (j)(2) of this AD, the actions shall be done in accordance with Boeing Service Bulletin 747-53-2275, dated March 26, 1987; Boeing Service Bulletin 747-53-2275, Revision 1, dated August 13, 1987; Boeing Service Bulletin 747-53-2275, Revision 2, dated March 31, 1988; Boeing Service Bulletin 747-53-2275, Revision 3, dated March 29, 1990; Boeing Service Bulletin 747-53-2275, Revision 4, dated March 26, 1992; Boeing Service Bulletin 747-53-2275, Revision 5, dated January 16, 1997; or Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747-53A2275, Revision 6, dated August 27, 1998; as applicable. This incorporation by reference was approved previously by the Director of the Federal Register as of October 7, 1998 (63 FR 50495, September 22, 1998). Copies may be obtained from Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, P.O. Box 3707, Seattle, Washington 98124-2207. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

Effective Date

(m) This amendment becomes effective on September 6, 2000.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on July 26, 2000.

Donald L. Riggins,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ACE-11]

Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kearney, NE

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration [FAA] DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class E airspace area at Kearney, NE. The FAA received a request to amend the hours of the Class E surface area from part time to full time status. An increase in Part 121 and other Instrument Flight Rule operations have made this action necessary. This action amends the Class E surface area at Kearney, NE from part time to full time status.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC October 5, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Mumper, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE-520A, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329-2524.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On May 22, 2000, the FAA proposed to amend Part 71 of Title 14 of the Federal Regulations (14 CFR part 71) by amending Class E surface area at Kearney, NE (65 FR 32046). The action will amend the Class E surface area from part time to full time status.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments objecting to the proposal were received. Class E airspace areas designated as a surface area for an airport are published in paragraph 6002 of FAA Order 7400.9G, dated September 1, 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 Rule

This amendment to part 71 of Title 14 of the Federal Regulations (14 CFR part 71) amends the Class E airspace area at Kearney, NE, from part time to full time status. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established

body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routing matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Aviation, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

In consideration of the foregoing, 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:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 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 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6002 Class E airspace areas designated as a surface area for an airport.

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ACE NE E2 Kearney, NE [Revised]

Kearney Municipal Airport, NE
(Lat. 40°43'37"N., long. 99°00'24"W.)
Kearney, VOR

(Lat. 40°43'32"N., long. 99°00'18"W.)

Within a 4.2-mile radius of Kearney Municipal Airport and within 3.1 miles each side of the 194° radial of the Kearney VOR extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 9.2 miles south of the VOR and within 3.1 miles each side of the 329° radial of the Kearney VOR extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 10 miles northwest of the VOR and within 3.1 miles each side of the 360° radial of the Kearney VOR extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 10 miles north of the airport.

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Issued in Kansas City, MO on July 14, 2000.

Richard L. Day,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00–AWP–5]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Elko, NV

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action modifies the Class E airspace area at Elko, NV. A revision to the Area Navigation (RNAV) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runway (RWY) 23 at Elko Municipal-J.C. Harris Field has made action necessary. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing the RNAV RWY 23 SIAP to Elko Municipal-J.C. Harris Field. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Elko Municipal-J.C. Harris Field, Elko, NV.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC August 10, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry Tonish, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AWP–520, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, telephone (310) 725–6539.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On June 20, 2000, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 by modifying the Class E airspace area at Elko, NV (65 FR 38227). Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is needed to contain aircraft executing the RNAV RWY 23 SIAP at Elko Municipal-J.C. Harris Field, Elko, NV. This action will provide adequate controlled airspace for aircraft executing the RNAV RWY 23 SIAP at Elko Municipal-J.C. Harris Field, Elko, NV.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking

proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments to the proposal were received. Class E airspace designations for airspace extending from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9G dated September 1, 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 Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 modifies the Class E airspace area at Elko, NV. A revision to the RNAV RWY 23 SIAP has made this action necessary. The effect of this action will provide adequate airspace for aircraft executing the RNAV 23 SIAP at Elko Municipal-J.C. Harris Field, Elko, NV.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this regulation—(1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule will not have a significant economic impact 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

In consideration of the foregoing, 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 14 CFR part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 59 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389; 14 CFR 11.69.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation