

Paragraph 6005. Class E Airspace Areas Extending Upward From 700 Feet or More Above the Surface of the Earth.

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AWP CA E5 Madera, CA [Amend]

Madera Municipal Airport, CA
(Lat. 36°59'11" N., long. 120°06'45" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 4.4-mile radius of the Madera Municipal Airport and within 2.8 miles each side of the 112° bearing from the airport extending from the 4.4-mile radius to 6 miles southeast of the airport and that airspace 1.8 miles either side of the 80° bearing from a point in space, coordinates lat. 37° 01' 29" N., long. 120° 09' 06" W., extending from the 4.4 mile radius to 7.2 miles from the point in space coordinates and that airspace 1 mile either side of the 316° bearing from the Madera Municipal Airport extending from the 4.4-mile radius to 5.5 miles northwest.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2019-0535; Airspace
Docket No. 19-AWP-20]

RIN 2120-AA66

Amendment of Class D; Los Angeles, CA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action corrects a clerical error in the Class D legal description for Los Angeles International Airport, Los Angeles, CA by removing the language establishing the airspace as part time. This action is necessary for the safety and management of instrument flight rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

DATES: Effective 0901 UTC, January 30, 2020. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under Title 1, Code of Federal Regulations part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.11 and publication of conforming amendments.

ADDRESSES: FAA Order 7400.11D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed on line at https://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/. For further information, you can contact

the Airspace Policy Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8783. The Order is also available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of FAA Order 7400.11D at NARA, email fedreg.legal@nara.gov or go to <https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority for This Rulemaking

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it amends the Class D legal description for Los Angeles International Airport, Los Angeles, CA, in support of IFR operations at the airport.

History

The FAA published a notice of proposed rulemaking in the **Federal Register** (84 FR 36502; July 29, 2019) for Docket No. FAA-2019-0535 to amend the legal description of the LAX Class D. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. The FAA received a single comment. The commenter stated in full "I recommend keeping the language as part time and reducing light air traffic for public health and sound scape enhancements." The FAA does not find this to be a substantive comment about the proposal. The specified airspace does not control where aircraft fly but defines the area within which all aircraft operators are subject to operating rules and equipment requirements.

Class D airspace designations are published in paragraph 5000 of FAA Order 7400.11D, dated August 8, 2019,

and effective September 15, 2019, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class D airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order. FAA Order 7400.11, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, is published yearly and effective on September 15.

Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document amends FAA Order 7400.11D dated August 8, 2019, and effective September 15, 2019, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR part 71.1. FAA Order 7400.11D is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11D lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Rule

The FAA is amending Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by removing the language establishing the airspace as part time. NBAA informed the FAA that the LAX Class D legal description, the related chart supplement entry, and notes included on the VFR Sectional contained information that did not clearly identify when the airspace was in effect. The FAA concurs. The legal description contains language that implied the Class D airspace was part-time, inconsistent with the original intent of the airspace. The Chart Supplement does not include information indicating when the airspace is effective and directs users to the VFR Terminal Area Chart. The VFR Terminal Area Chart directs users to the Chart Supplement or NOTAMS for information and NOTAMS are not appropriate for this use. The original intent was to establish the Class D airspace as full time. In 2009, as a result of a mid-air collision in New York and in response to NTSB Recommendation A-09-86, Congress requested the FAA evaluate low-level flight around heavy-use airspace. The FAA committed to evaluations of flight operations in and around Class Bravo Airspace in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, and Houston. The LAX VFR Airspace Taskforce was convened and made recommendations to modify the airspace around LAX in a two-step process. Step one was to establish full-time Class D airspace at LAX. Step two was to incorporate the Class D airspace into the LAX Class B at a later date.

Regulatory Notices and Analyses

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, is non-controversial, and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. It, therefore: (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 only affects air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, does not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Environmental Review

The FAA has determined that this action qualifies for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, “Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures,” paragraph 5–6.5a. This airspace action is not expected to cause any potentially significant environmental impacts, and no extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant preparation of an environmental assessment.

Lists 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, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

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

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 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 FAA Order 7400.11D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 8, 2019, and effective September 15, 2019, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

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AWP CA D Los Angeles, CA [Amended]

Los Angeles International Airport, CA
(Lat. 33°56'33" N, long. 118°24'26" W)

Santa Monica Municipal Airport, CA
(Lat. 34°00'57" N, long. 118°27'05" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,700 feet MSL bounded by a line beginning at lat. 33°57'42" N, long. 118°27'23" W; to lat. 33°58'18" N, long. 118°26'24" W; then via the 2.7-mile radius of the Santa Monica Municipal Airport counterclockwise to lat. 34°00'00" N, long. 118°22'58" W; to lat. 33°57'42" N, long. 118°22'10" W, thence to the point of beginning. That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,500 feet MSL bounded by a line beginning at lat. 33°55'50" N, long. 118°22'06" W; to lat. 33°54'16" N, long. 118°24'17" W; to lat. 33°52'47" N, long. 118°26'22" W; to lat. 33°55'51" N, long. 118°26'05" W, thence to the point of beginning.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 97

[Docket No. 31284; Amdt. No. 3880]

Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This rule amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

DATES: This rule is effective November 29, 2019. The compliance date for each SIAP, associated Takeoff Minimums, and ODP is specified in the amendatory provisions.

The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the

regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of November 29, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Availability of matter incorporated by reference in the amendment is as follows:

For Examination

1. U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Ops-M30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Bldg., Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590–0001;

2. The FAA Air Traffic Organization Service Area in which the affected airport is located;

3. The office of Aeronautical Navigation Products, 6500 South MacArthur Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73169 or,

4. The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email fedreg.legal@nara.gov or go to: <https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

Availability

All SIAPs and Takeoff Minimums and ODPs are available online free of charge. Visit the National Flight Data Center online at nfdc.faa.gov to register. Additionally, individual SIAP and Takeoff Minimums and ODP copies may be obtained from the FAA Air Traffic Organization Service Area in which the affected airport is located.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This rule amends Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 97 (14 CFR part 97) by amending the referenced SIAPs. The complete regulatory description of each SIAP is listed on the appropriate FAA Form 8260, as modified by the National Flight Data Center (NFDC)/Permanent Notice to Airmen (P–NOTAM), and is incorporated by reference under 5 U.S.C. 552(a), 1 CFR part 51, and 14 CFR 97.20. The large number of SIAPs, their complex nature, and the need for a special format make their verbatim publication in the **Federal Register** expensive and impractical. Further, airmen do not use the regulatory text of the SIAPs, but refer to their graphic depiction on charts printed by