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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2020–0823; Airspace Docket No. 20–AAL–49]

RIN 2120–AA66

Amendment To Separate Terminal Airspace Areas From Norton Sound Low, Woody Island Low, Control 1234L, and Control 1487L Offshore Airspace Areas; Alaska

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule, withdrawal.

SUMMARY: This action withdraws the final rule published in the Federal Register on April 12, 2021 amending the following Offshore Airspace Areas in Alaska: Norton Sound Low, Woody Island Low, Control 1234L, and Control 1487L. The FAA has determined that withdrawal of the final rule is warranted since there are actions taking place to correct the terminal airspace contained in the Offshore airspace that may cause an overlap and further confuse general aviation and air traffic control.

DATES: Effective date 0901 UTC, May 25, 2021, the final rule, Airspace Docket 20–AAL–49, as published in the Federal Register (86 FR 18890; April 12, 2021), is hereby withdrawn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher McMullin, Rules and Regulations Group, Office of Policy, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267–8783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

The FAA published a final rule for Docket No. FAA–2020–0823 in the Federal Register (86 FR 18890; April 12, 2021) to reverse the final rule for Docket No. FAA–2006–25852 in the Federal Register (72 FR 31714; June 8, 2007) that amended the offshore airspace areas, including: Norton Sound Low, Woody Island Low, Control 1234L, and Control 1487L Offshore Airspace Areas; Alaska, to include terminal airspace previously thought to be excluded in the Code of Federal Regulations.

Additionally, the final rule corrected the final rule for Docket No. FAA–2006–26164 in the Federal Register (72 FR 5611; February 7, 2007) that revoked Class E Airspace for Adak, ATKA, Cold Bay, Nelson Lagoon, Saint George Island, Sand Point, Shemya, ST. Paul Island, and Unalaska, AK. Subsequent to the NPRM being posted, the FAA identified 15 facilities and navigation aids that contained language in the legal descriptions excluding airspace beyond 12 nautical miles (NM) from the coastline. If the exclusionary language were allowed to take effect, these areas would be without controlled airspace in violation of FAA directives. As a result, the additional corrections were included in the final rule.

The FAA is in the process of reviewing and correcting the terminal airspace in and around Alaska. Continuing with this final rule may cause some confusion with all the changes taking place. Therefore, the final rule is being withdrawn.

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The Withdrawal

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the final rule, Airspace Docket 20–AAL–49, as published in the Federal Register (86 FR 18890; April 12, 2021), FR Doc. 2021–07432 is hereby withdrawn.


Issued in Washington, DC, on May 10, 2021.

George Gonzalez,

Acting Manager, Rules and Regulations Group.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

19 CFR Parts 4, 122, 123, 145 and 149

[Docket No. USCBP–2021–0009; CBP Dec. 21–04]

RIN 1651–AB33

Mandatory Advance Electronic Information for International Mail Shipments; Re-Opening of Comment Period

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, DHS.

ACTION: Interim final rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: On March 15, 2021, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published in the Federal Register an Interim Final Rule (IFR), which amends the CBP regulations to provide for mandatory advance electronic data (AED) for international mail shipments. Although the comment period for this IFR closed on May 14, 2021, CBP has decided to reopen the comment period for an additional 30 days.

DATES: Effective date: The interim final rule published on March 15, 2021 (86 FR 14245), was effective March 15, 2021. Comment date: The comment period for the interim final rulemaking published on is reopened for an additional 30 days. Comments must be received on or before June 24, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions related to mandatory AED for international mail shipments, contact Quintin Clarke, Cargo and Conveyance Security, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs & Border Protection, by telephone at (202) 344–2524, or email at quintin.g.clarke@cbp.dhs.gov.

ADDRESSES: Please submit any comments, identified by docket number [Docket No. USCBP–2021–0009; CBP Dec. 21–04] by the following method:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: https://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Due to COVID–19–related restrictions, CBP has temporarily suspended its ability to receive public comments by mail.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket
number for this rulemaking and must refer to docket number [Docket No. USCBP–2021–0009; CBP Dec. 21–04]. All comments received will be posted without change to https://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the “Public Participation” heading of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to https://www.regulations.gov. Due to relevant COVID–19-related restrictions, CBP has temporarily suspended its on-site public inspection of submitted comments.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation

Interested persons are invited to participate in this rulemaking by submitting written data, views, or arguments on the IFR. Comments that will provide the most assistance to CBP will reference a specific portion of the IFR, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include data, information, or authority that support such recommended change.

Background

To address the threat of synthetic opioids and other dangerous items entering the United States through international mail shipments and to implement the requirements of the Synthetics Trafficking and Overdose Prevention Act of 2018 (STOP Act), Public Law 115–271, CBP amended its regulations on March 15, 2021 through publication in the Federal Register (86 FR 14245) of an IFR entitled “Mandatory Advance Electronic Information for International Mail Shipments.” These amended regulations require the United States Postal Service (USPS) to transmit certain electronic information in advance to CBP. Specifically, these regulations provide that, for certain international mail shipments, CBP must electronically receive from USPS certain mandatory advance electronic data (AED) within specified time frames. These regulations describe the new mandatory AED requirements, including the inbound international mail shipments for which AED is required, the time frame for which USPS must provide the required AED to CBP, and the criteria for exclusion from AED requirements. Further, the regulations address compliance dates and the necessary remedial actions required for shipments in which USPS has not complied with AED requirements.

To increase public participation and in the interest of good governance, CBP is reopening the comment period for an additional 30 days to allow for further comments to be submitted on the IFR. Comments must be received on or before June 24, 2021.


Joanne R. Stump, Acting Executive Director, Regulations and Rulings, Office of Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

32 CFR Part 68

[Docket ID: DOD–2019–OS–0076]

RIN 0790–AJ95

Voluntary Education Programs

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: To ensure equity of student counseling options available to educational institutions, the DoD is amending its Voluntary Education Programs regulation to cite current law and to remove the requirement that an educational institution must have a DoD installation student population of at least 20 military students before it qualifies to be authorized access on a DoD installation that is not overseas.

DATES: This rule is effective on June 24, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Schaub, 703–614–6414.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Discussion of Public Comments Received

On April 15, 2020, the Department of Defense published a proposed rule titled “Voluntary Education Programs” (85 FR 20893–20895) for a 30-day public comment period. Thirteen public comments were received. Ten comments were within the scope of the rule and were supportive, one comment was a duplicate within this subset, and two comments were outside the scope of the rule.

Ten comments within the scope of the rule articulated the respective submitters’ agreement to the rule amendment. The comments collectively support DoD’s willingness to ensure equitable access be given to all educational institutions to provide academic and student support services to students, regardless of military student population size. The duplicative comment was identical to one of these ten.

Two comments addressed DoD policy beyond the scope of the rule. The first requested that DoD amend policy to ensure that educational institutions are granted one day a week on military installations to provide face-to-face counseling. The second requested that DoD change its policy to remove any fees currently being charged to schools for office space on military installations. These requests are beyond the scope of the proposed rule change. Therefore, DoD will not change the rule to incorporate them.

Executive Summary

Purpose of the Rule

The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness provides policy and oversight of DoD’s Voluntary Education (VolEd) Program, including the Tuition Assistance (TA) program. The VolEd program is authorized in 10 U.S.C. 2006a and 2007, and DoD policy is in DoD Instruction 1322.25, “Voluntary Education Programs” (last updated on July 7, 2014). For the purposes of this part, an educational institution is defined as “a college, university, or other institution of higher education.” In accordance with the current regulation and DoD MOU, educational institutions must have a domestic DoD installation student population of at least 20 military students to request permission for access to a DoD installation that is not overseas. The policy does not apply to overseas DoD installations. Numerous institutions, using both private and public forums, have contacted the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Education and Training to communicate their concern over this policy inequity. The specific inequity is that currently all participating educational institutions do not have face-to-face counseling access. DoD determined that action was