

flights that experienced an excessive tarmac delay at a U.S. airport, including diverted flights and cancelled flights on which the passengers were boarded and then deplaned before the cancellation. The reports are due within 15 days after the end of any month during which the carrier experienced the excessive tarmac delay. The reports shall be made in the form and manner set forth in accounting and reporting directives issued by the Director, Office of Airline Information, and shall contain the following information:

- (1) Carrier code.
- (2) Flight number.
- (3) Departure airport (three letter code).
- (4) Arrival airport (three letter code).
- (5) Date of flight operation (year/month/day).
- (6) Gate departure time (actual) in local time.
- (7) Wheels-off time (actual) in local time.
- (8) Wheels-on time (actual) in local time.
- (9) Gate arrival time (actual) in local time.
- (10) Aircraft tail number.
- (11) Total ground time away from gate for all gate return/fly return at origin airports including cancelled flights.
- (12) Longest time away from gate for gate return or canceled flight.
- (13) Three letter code of airport where flight diverted.
- (14) Wheels-on time at diverted airport.
- (15) Total time away from gate at diverted airport.
- (16) Longest time away from gate at diverted airport.
- (17) Wheels-off time at diverted airport.

(b) Covered carriers that experience an excessive tarmac delay at a U.S. airport and are filing a form under this section must also report the length of the excessive tarmac delay to the Office of Airline Information of the Department's Bureau of Transportation Statistics, if the length of the excessive tarmac delay experienced is not otherwise represented by the data points listed in paragraph (a) of this section (*e.g.*, the pilot sets the aircraft

parking brake after arriving at the passenger unloading area, but passengers are not provided an opportunity to deplane at that time).

(c) The same information required by paragraphs (a)(13) through (17) of this section must be provided for each subsequent diverted airport landing.

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PART 247—DIRECT AIRPORT-TO-AIRPORT MILEAGE RECORDS

Sec.

247.1 Official mileage record of the Department of Transportation.

247.2-247.10 [Reserved]

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. chapter 401.

SOURCE: Amdt. 247-2, 56 FR 67170, Dec. 30, 1991, unless otherwise noted.

§ 247.1 Official mileage record of the Department of Transportation.

The direct airport-to-airport mileage record now maintained, and as hereafter amended or revised from time to time by the Office of Airline Information of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics of the Department of Transportation in the regular performance of its duties, is hereby adopted as the official mileage record of the Department and the mileages set forth therein shall be used in all instances where it shall be necessary to determine direct airport-to-airport mileages pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Subtitle VII (Transportation) or any rule, regulation, or order of the Department pursuant thereto.

[Amdt. 247-2, 56 FR 67170, Dec. 30, 1991, as amended at 60 FR 66725, Dec. 26, 1995; Doc. No. DOT-OST-2014-0140, 84 FR 15932, Apr. 16, 2019]

§§ 247.2-247.10 [Reserved]

PART 248—SUBMISSION OF AUDIT REPORTS

Sec.

248.1 Applicability.

248.2 Filing of audit reports.

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AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 329, 41102, 41708, and 41709.

§ 248.1

SOURCE: ER-420, 29 FR 13799, Oct. 7, 1964, unless otherwise noted.

§ 248.1 Applicability.

The requirements of this part shall be applicable to all air carriers subject to the requirements of part 241 of this subchapter.

§ 248.2 Filing of audit reports.

(a) Whenever any air carrier subject to § 248.1 shall have caused an annual audit of its books, records, and accounts to be made by independent public accountants, such air carrier shall file with the Office of Airline Information, in duplicate, a special report consisting of a true and complete copy of the audit report submitted by such independent public accountants, including all schedules, exhibits, and certificates included in, attached to, or submitted with or separately as a part of, the audit report.

(b) Each air carrier subject to § 248.1 that does not cause an annual audit to be made of its books, records, and accounts for any fiscal year shall, at the close of such fiscal year file with the Bureau of Transportation Statistics' (BTS) Office of Airline Information, as a part of its periodic reports, a statement that no such audit has been performed.

(c) Carriers shall submit their audit reports or their statement that no audit was performed in a format specified in accounting and reporting directives issued by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics' Director of Airline Information.

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§ 248.4 Time for filing reports.

The report required by this part shall be filed with the Office of Airline Information within 15 days after the due date of the appropriate periodic BTS Form 41 Report, filed for the 12-month period covered by the audit report, or the date the accountant submits its

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audit report to the air carrier, whichever is later.

[ER-1351, 48 FR 32756, July 19, 1983, as amended at 60 FR 66725, Dec. 26, 1995]

§ 248.5 Withholding from public disclosure.

The special reports required to be filed by § 248.2 shall be withheld from public disclosure, until further order of the BTS, if such treatment is requested by the air carrier at the time of filing.

[ER-420, 29 FR 13799, Oct. 7, 1964, as amended at 60 FR 66725, Dec. 26, 1995]

PART 249—PRESERVATION OF AIR CARRIER RECORDS

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AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 329 and chapters 401, 411, 413, 417.

SOURCE: ER-1214, 46 FR 25415, May 6, 1981, unless otherwise noted.

NOTE: The recordkeeping requirements contained in this part have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 2138-0006.

Subpart A—General Instructions

§ 249.1 Applicability.

Subparts A and B of this part apply to: