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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

## 14 CFR Part 97

[Docket No. 29667; Amdt. No. 1943]

# Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment establishes. amends, suspends, or revokes Standard instrument Approach Procedures (SIAP's) 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, addition of the new obstacles, or changes in air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected

**DATES:** An effective date for each SIAP is specified in the amendatory provisions.

Incorporation by reference-approved by the Director of the Federal Register on December 31, 1980, and reapproved as of January 1, 1982.

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

For Examination—

- 1. FAA Rules Docket, FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591;
- 2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which the affected airport is located; or
- 3. The Flight Inspection Area Office which originated the SIAP.

*For Purchase*—Individual SIAP copies may be obtained from:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This** amendment to part 97 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes SIAP's. The complete regulatory description of each SIAP is contained in official FAA form documents which are incorporated by reference in this amendment under 5 U.S.C. 552(a), 1 CFR part 51, and 14 CFR 97.20 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR). The applicable FAA Forms are identified as FAA Form 8260-5. Materials incorporated by reference are available for examination or purchase as stated above.

The large number of SIAP's, 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 publishers of aeronautical materials. Thus, the advantages of incorporation by reference are realized and publication of the complete description of each SIAP contained in FAA form documents is unnecessary. The provisions of this amendment state the affected CFR sections, with the types and effective dates of the SIAPs. This amendment also identifies the airport, its location, the procedure identification and the amendment number.

# The Rule

This amendment to part 97 is effective upon publication of each separate SIAP as contained in the transmittal. The SIAP's contained in this amendment are based on the criteria contained in the United States Standard for Terminal Instrument Procedures (TERPS). In developing these SIAPs, the TERPS criteria were applied to the conditions existing or anticipated at the affected airports.

The FAA has determined through testing that current non-localizer type, non-precision instrument approaches developed using the TERPS criteria can be flown by aircraft equipped with a Global Positioning System (GPS) and or Flight Management System (FMS) equipment. In consideration of the above, the applicable SIAP's will be altered to include "or GPS or FMS" in the title without otherwise reviewing or modifying the procedure. (Once a stand alone GPS or FMS procedure is developed, the procedure title will be altered to remove "or GPS or FMS" from these non-localizer, non-precision instrument approach procedure titles.)

The FAA has determined through extensive analysis that current SIAP's intended for use by Area Navigation (RNAV) equipped aircraft can be flown by aircraft utilizing various other types of navigational equipment. In consideration of the above, those SIAP's currently designated as "RNAV" will be redesignated as "VOR/DME RNAV" without otherwise reviewing or modifying the SIAP's.

Because of the close and immediate relationship between these SIAP's and safety in air commerce, I find that notice and public procedure before adopting these SIAPs are, impracticable and contrary to the public interest and, where applicable, that good cause exists for making some SIAPs effective in less than 30 days.

## Conclusion

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. 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. For the same reason, the FAA certifies that this amendment 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 97

Air traffic control, Airports, Navigation (air).

Issued in Washington, DC on July 23, 1999.

L. Nicholas Lacey,

Director, Flight Standards Service.

# **Adoption of the Amendment**

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, part 97 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) is amended as follows:

# PART 97—STANDARD INSTRUMENT APPROACH PROCEDURES

1. The authority citation for part 97 continues to read:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40106, 40113–40114, 40120, 44502, 44514, 44701, 44719, 44721–44722.

- 2. Amend 97.23, 97.27, 97.33 and 97.35, as appropriate, by adding, revising, or removing the following SIAP's effective at 0901 UTC on the dates specified:
- \* \* \* Effective September 9, 1999

Fort Yukon, AK, Fort Yukon, VOR/DME or TACAN or GPS Rwy 3, Amdt 1A, Canceled

Fort Yukon, AK, Fort Yukon, VOR/DME or TACAN Rwy 3, Amdt 1A

Fort Yukon, AK, Fort Yukon, VOR/DME or TACAN or GPS Rwy 21, Amdt 1A, Canceled

Fort Yukon, AK, Fort Yukon, VOR/DME or TACAN Rwy 21, Amdt 1A

Redding, CA, Redding Muni, VOR or GPS Rwy 34, Amdt 10C, Canceled Redding, CA, Redding Muni, VOR Rwy 34, Amdt 10C

Akron, CO, Akron-Washington County, VOR or GPS Rwy 29 Orig, Canceled Akron, CO, Akron-Washington County, VOR Rwy 29 Orig

Fort Myers, FL, Southwest Florida Intl, NDB or GPS Rwy 6, Amdt 4A, Canceled

Fort Myers, FL, Southwest Florida Intl, NDB Rwy 6, Amdt 4A

Fort Myers, FL, Southwest Florida Intl, VOR/DME or TACAN or GPS Rwy 24, Amdt 1, Canceled

Fort Myers, FL, Southwest Florida Intl, VOR/DME or TACAN Rwy 24, Amdt 1

St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL, St. Petersburg-Clearwater Intl, VOR or GPS Rwy 17L, Amdt 11B, Canceled

St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL, St. Petersburg-Clearwater Intl, VOR Rwy 17L, Amdt 11B

Paducah, KY West Kentucky Airpark, VOR or GPS Rwy 4, Amdt 16A, Canceled

Paducah, KY, West Kentucky Airpark, VOR Rwy 4, Amdt 16A

Paducah, KY, West Kentucky Airpark, NDB or GPS Rwy 22 Amdt 2, Canceled

Paducah, KY, West Kentucky Airpark NDB Rwy 22, Amdt 2

Van Wert, Van Wert County, NBD or GPS Rwy 9, Amdt 1, Canceled

Van Wert, OH, Van Wert County, NBD Rwy 9, Amdt 1

Van Wert, OH, Van Wert County, NBD or GPS Rwy 27, Orig, Canceled

Van Wert, OH, Van Wert County, NBD Rwy 27, Orig Norman, OK, University of Oklahoma Westheimer, VOR/DME or RNAV or GPS Rwy 3, Orig-C, Canceled Norman, OK, University of Oklahoma Westheimer, VOR/DME or RNAV Rwy

3, Orig-C

Tahlequah, OK, Tahlequah Muni, NDB or GPS Rwy 17, Amdt 1, Canceled Tahlequah, OK, Tahlequah Muni, NDB Rwy 17, Amdt 1

Jackson, TN, McKeller-Sipes Regional, NDB or GPS Rwy 2, Amdt 6, Canceled Jackson, TN, McKeller-Sipes Regional, NDB Rwy 2, Amdt 6

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