

(2) If the last fan disc inspection was an ultrasonic inspection performed using RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 3, dated July 12, 2001, Revision 4, dated December 20, 2001, or Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003, visually or ultrasonically inspect fan disc within 75 CSLI, in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(3) For engines that have not yet been inspected, visually or ultrasonically inspect fan disc within 25 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD, in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(4) If any cracks are found, remove disc from service and replace with a serviceable disc.

Engines With Fan Discs P/N BRR20791 Installed

(b) For BR700-710A1-10 engines with serial numbers (SNs) 11452 and lower, and BR700-710A2-20 engines with SNs 12352 and lower, with fan discs P/N BRR20791 installed, do the following:

(1) If the last fan disc inspection was a visual inspection performed using RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 3, dated July 12, 2001, Revision 4, dated December 20, 2001, or Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003, visually or ultrasonically inspect fan disc within 25 CSLI, in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(2) If the last fan disc inspection was an ultrasonic inspection performed using RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 3, dated July 12, 2001, Revision 4, dated December 20, 2001, or Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003, visually or ultrasonically inspect fan disc within 150 CSLI, in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(3) For engines that have not yet been inspected, visually or ultrasonically inspect fan disc within 25 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD, in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(4) If any cracks are found, remove disc from service and replace with a serviceable disc.

(c) For BR700-710A1-10 engines with SNs 11453 and higher, and BR700-710A2-20 engines with SNs 12353 and higher with fan discs P/N BRR20791 installed, do the following:

(1) Visually or ultrasonically inspect fan discs within 150 flight cycles-since-new (CSN), in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(2) For engines that have not yet been inspected, visually or ultrasonically inspect

fan disc within 25 flight cycles after the effective date of this AD, in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(3) If any cracks are found, remove disc from service and replace with a serviceable disc.

Repetitive Inspections

(d) Except for engines listed in paragraph (e) of this AD, perform repetitive inspections using the criteria in paragraphs (a) through (b)(4), and (f) of this AD.

(e) For BR700-710A1-10 engines with SNs 11453 and higher, and BR700-710A2-20 engines with SNs 12353 and higher with fan discs P/N BRR20791 installed, perform repetitive inspections using the criteria in paragraphs (c) through (c)(3), and (f) of this AD.

(f) For all discs, perform a visual and ultrasonic inspection before accumulating 500 CSN, in accordance with paragraphs A through F of the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of the Accomplishment Instructions of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003.

(g) Thereafter, for all discs, perform a visual and an ultrasonic inspection before accumulating 500 cycles-since-the last visual and ultrasonic inspections.

Inspection Reporting Requirements

(g) Report defects in accordance with the applicable Part 1 or Part 2 of RRD SB No. SB-BR700-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003. Reporting requirements have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and assigned OMB control number 2120-0056.

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(h) 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, Engine Certification Office (ECO). Operators must submit their request through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, ECO.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the ECO.

Special Flight Permits

(i) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with §§ 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 done.

Documents That Have Been Incorporated by Reference

(j) The inspection must be done in accordance with Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG Service Bulletin No. SB-BR700-72-900229, Revision 5, dated January 8, 2003. This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained

from Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG, Eschenweg 11, D-15827 DAHLEWITZ, Germany, telephone: International Access Code 011, Country Code 49, 33 7086-2935, fax: International Access Code 011, Country Code 49, 33 7086-3276. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

Note 3: The subject of this AD is addressed in LBA AD 2000-348, Revision 5, dated March 6, 2003.

Effective Date

(k) This amendment becomes effective on April 28, 2003.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on April 1, 2003.

Jay J. Pardee,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2002-14348; Airspace Docket No. 03-ACE-5]

Establishment of Class E Surface Area Airspace; and Modification of Class D Airspace; Topeka, Forbes Field, KS

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document establishes a Class E surface area at Topeka, Forbes Field, KS for those times when the air traffic control tower (ATCT) is closed. It also modifies the Class D airspace at Topeka, Forbes Field, KS.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, May 15, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE-520C, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329-2525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On Monday, February 10, 2003, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 to establish a Class E surface area and to modify Class D airspace at Topeka, Forbes Field, KS (68 FR 6677). The proposal was to establish a Class E surface area at Topeka, Forbes Field, KS for those times when the air traffic

control tower (ATCT) is closed. It also proposed to modify the Class D airspace and its legal description by incorporating the revised Topeka, Forbes Field, KS airport reference point. 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 surface areas are published in paragraph 6002 of FAA Order 7400.9K, dated August 30, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. Class D airspace areas are published in paragraph 5000 of the same FAA Order. The Class E and Class D airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) establishes a Class E surface area at Topeka, Forbes Field, KS to provide adequate controlled airspace for aircraft executing instrument flight procedures. It also modifies the legal description of Class D airspace at Topeka, Forbes Field, KS. The areas 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 routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, 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 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 7400.9K, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 30, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6002 Class E Airspace Designated as Surface Areas.

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ACE KS E2 Topeka, Forbes Field, KS

Topeka, Forbes Field, KS
(Lat. 38°57'03" N., long. 95°39'49" W.)

Within a 4.6-mile radius of Forbes Field. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

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Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

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ACE KS D Topeka, Forbes Field, KS

Topeka, Forbes Field, KS
(Lat. 38°57'03" N., long. 95°39'49" W.)

This airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 3,600 feet MSL within a 4.6-mile radius of Forbes Field. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

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Issued in Kansas City, MO, on March 28, 2003.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 95

[Docket No. 30362; Amdt. No. 441]

IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment adopts miscellaneous amendments to the required IFR (instrument flight rules) altitudes and changeover points for certain Federal airways, jet routes, or direct routes for which a minimum or maximum en route authorized IFR altitude is prescribed. This regulatory action is needed because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace under instrument conditions in the affected areas.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, May 15, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donald P. Pate, Flight Procedure Standards Branch (AMCAFS–420), Flight Technologies and Programs Division, Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center, 6500 South MacArthur Blvd., Oklahoma City, OK 73169. (Mail Address: P.O. Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125), telephone: (405) 954–4164.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to part 95 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 95) amends, suspends, or revokes IFR altitudes governing the operation of all aircraft in flight over a specified route or any portion of that route, as well as the changeover points (COPs) for Federal airways, jet routes, or direct routes as prescribed in part 95.

The Rule

The specified IFR altitudes, when used in conjunction with the prescribed changeover points for those routes, ensure navigation aid coverage that is adequate for safe flight operations and free of frequency interference. The reasons and circumstances that create the need for this amendment involve matters of flight safety and operational efficiency in the National Airspace System, are related to published aeronautical charts that are essential to the user, and provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace. In addition, those various reasons or circumstances require making this amendment effective before the next scheduled charting and publication date of the flight information to assure its timely availability to the user. The effective date of this amendment reflects those considerations. In view of the close and immediate relationship between these regulatory changes and safety in air commerce, I find that notice and public procedure before adopting this amendment are impracticable and