DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 97

[Docket No. 29102; Amdt. No. 1844] RIN 2120-AA65

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 (SIAPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, addition of 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 airports.

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 matter incorporated by reference 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 affected airport is located; or
- 3. The Flight Inspection Area Office which originated the SIAP.

For Purchase

Individual SIAP copies may be obtained from:

- 1. FAA Public Inquiry Center (APA–200), FAA Headquarters Building, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; or
- 2. The FAA Regional Office of the region in which the affected airport is located.

By Subscription

Copies of all SIAPs, mailed once every 2 weeks, are for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Best, Flight Procedures Standards Branch (AFS–420), Technical Programs Division, Flight Standards Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267–8277.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to part 97 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs). The complete regulatory description on each SIAP is contained in the appropriate FAA Form 8260 and the National Flight Data Center (FDC/Permanent (P) Notices to Airmen (NOTAM) which are incorporated by reference in the amendment under 5 U.S.C. 552(a), 1 CFR part 51, and § 97.20 of the Federal Aviations Regulations (FAR). Materials incorporated by reference are available for examination or purchase as stated

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 of 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 (and FAR) 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 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) establishes, amends, suspends, or revokes SIAPs. For safety and timeliness of change considerations, this amendment incorporates only specific changes contained in the content of the following FDC/P NOTAM for each SIAP. The SIAP information in some previously designated FDC/Temporary (FDC/T) NOTAMs is of such duration as to be permanent. With conversion to FDC/P NOTAMs, the respective FDC/T NOTAMS have been cancelled.

The FDC/P NOTAMs for the SIAPs contained in this amendment are based on the criteria contained in the U.S. Standard for Terminal Instrument

Approach Procedures (TERPS). In developing these chart changes to SIAPs by FDC/P NOTAMs, the TERPS criteria were applied to only these specific conditions existing at the affected airports. All SIAP amendments in this rule have been previously issued by the FAA in a National Flight Data Center (FDC) Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) as an emergency action of immediate flight safety relating directly to published aeronautical charts. The circumstances which created the need for all these SIAP amendments requires making them effective in less than 30 days.

Further, the SIAPs contained in this amendment are based on the criteria contained in the TERPS. Because of the close and immediate relationship between these SIAPs 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 these 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 December 26, 1997.

Richard O. Gordon,

Acting 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 by establishing, amending, suspending, or revoking Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, effective at 0901 UTC on the dates specified, as follows:

PART 97—STANDARD INSTRUMENT APPROACH PROCEDURES

1. The authority citation for part 97 is revised to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 40103, 40113, 40120, 44701; 49 U.S.C. 106(g); and 14 CFR 11.49(b)(2).

2. Part 97 is amended to read as follows:

§§ 97.23, 97.25, 97.27, 97.29, 97.33, 97.35 [Amended]

By amending: § 97.23 VOR, VOR/ DME, VOR or TACAN, and VOR/DME or TACAN; § 97.25 LOC, LOC/DME, LDA, LDA/DME, SDF, SDF/DME; § 97.27 NDB, NDB/DME; § 97.29 ILS, ILS/DME, ISMLS, MLS, MLS/DME, MLS/RNAV; § 97.31 RADAR SIAPs; § 97.33 RNAV SIAPs; and § 97.35 COPTER SIAPs, identified as follows:

* * * Effective Upon Publication

FDC date	State	City	Airport	FDC No.	SIAP
12/11/97	IN	VALPARAISO	PORTER COUNTY MUNI	7/8112	ILS RWY 27, AMDT 2B
12/12/97	GA	CANTON	CHEROKEE COUNTY	7/8142	NDB RWY 4 AMDT 1
12/12/97	IN	VALPARAISO	PORTER COUNTY MUNI	7/8129	NDB OR GPS RWY 27, AMDT 5A
12/12/97	MI	LANSING	CAPITAL CITY	7/8140	ILS RWY 10R, AMDT 9A
12/12/97	NY	PENN YAN	PENN YAN	7/8126	GPS RWY 19 ORIG-A. DE- LETE
12/12/97	NY	PENN YAN	PENN YAN	7/8127	GPS RWY 1 ORIG-A
12/12/97	OR	PORTLAND	PORTLAND INTL	7/8134	ILS RWY 10L AMDT 1
12/15/97	MN	MANKATO	MANKATO MUNI	7/8186	ILS RWY 33 ORIG
12/15/97	MN	ROCHESTER	ROCHESTER INTL	7/8166	RADAR-1, AMDT 7
12/15/97	MN	ROCHESTER	ROCHESTER INTL	7/8167	VOR OR GPS RWY 2, AMDT
12/15/97	MN	ROCHESTER	ROCHESTER INTL	7/8184	ILS RWY 13, AMDT 5A
12/15/97	MN	ROCHESTER	ROCHESTER INTL	7/8185	ILS RWY 31, AMDT 20A
12/15/97	OK	TULSA	TULSA INTL	7/8182	NDB OR GPS RWY 36R, AMDT
12/15/97	OR	PORTLAND	PORTLAND INTL	7/8176	ILS RWY 10R AMDT 30C
12/16/97	MN	MANKATO	MANKATO MUNI	7/8216	VOR OR GPS RWY 33, AMDT 6
12/16/97	MN	MANKATO	MANKATO MUNI	7/8217	VOR OR GPS RWY 15, AMDT
12/16/97	TN	NASHVILLE	JOHN C. TUNE	7/8209	LOC/DME RWY 19 AMDT 2
12/17/97	TX	WICHITA FALLS	SHEPPARD AFB/WICHITA FALLS MUNI.	7/8235	LOC BC RWY 15R, AMDT 11
12/17/97	TX	WICHITA FALLS	SHEPPARD AFB/WICHITA FALLS MUNI.	7/8236	NDB OR GPS RWY 33L, AMDT
12/17/97	TX	WICHITA FALLS	SHEPPARD AFB/WICHITA FALLS MUNI.	7/8238	ILS RWY 33L, AMDT 12A
12/18/97	ОН	CLEVELAND	CLEVELAND-HOPKINS INTL	7/8272	VOR/DME RNAV OR GPS RWY 10, AMDT 11
12/18/97	ОН	HARRISON	CINCINNATI WEST	7/8255	VOR OR GPS RWY 18, AMDT
12/19/97	FL	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE INTL	7/8303	NDB RWY 31 ORIG
12/19/97	FL	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE INTL	7/8304	NDB OR GPS RWY 7 AMDT 9
12/19/97	FL	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE INTL	7/8305	ILS RWY 13 AMDT 5
12/19/97	FL	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE INTL	7/8306	RADAR 1 AMDT 6
12/19/97	FL	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE INTL	7/8307	LOC BC RWY 31 AMDT 8B
12/19/97	FL	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE INTL	7/8308	VOR OR GPS RWY 31 ORIG
12/19/97	FL	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE INTL	7/8309	ILS RWY 7 AMDT 12
12/19/97	VA	ROANOKE	ROANOKE REGIONAL/WOODRUM FIELD.	7/8317	LDA RWY 6 AMDT 7A
12/22/97	OK	OKLAHOMA CITY	WILL ROGERS WORLD	7/8339	VOR OR GPS RWY 17L, AMDT 1A
12/22/97	OK	OKLAHOMA CITY	WILL ROGERS WORLD	7/8341	ILS RWY 17L, ORIG-C
12/22/97	VA	LYNCHBURG	LYNCHBURG REGIONAL /PRESTON GLEN FIELD.	7/8353	VOR OR GPS RWY 3 AMDT 11

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD 20 CFR Part 200

RIN 3220-AB31

General Administration; Disclosure

AGENCY: Railroad Retirement Board.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Railroad Retirement Board (Board) amends its regulations to permit disclosure of pertinent information to a consular official acting on behalf of a compatriot who has claimed benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act or Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael C. Litt, General Attorney, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, (312) 751–4929, TDD (312) 751–4701, (FTS (312) 386–4701).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 200.8(g) of the regulations of the Board provides for disclosure of information