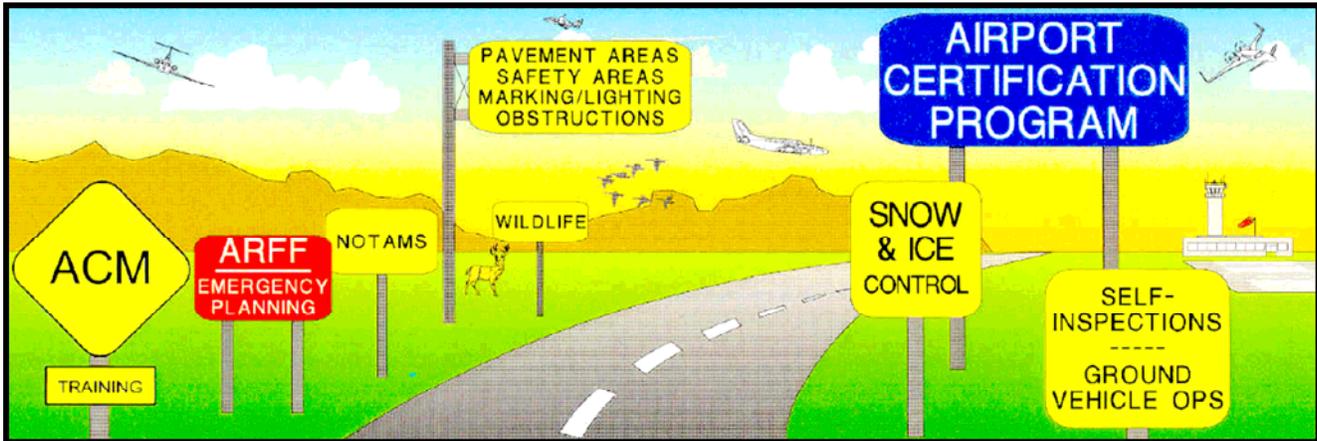


AIRPORT CERTIFICATION INFORMATION BULLETIN



DATE: 10/02/2007, NUMBER: 08-01 Definition of Runway Incursion

Effective October 1, 2007, the FAA Administrator approved the use of the following International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) definition of a runway incursion:

“Any occurrence at an aerodrome involving the incorrect presence of an aircraft, vehicle or person on the protected area of a surface designated for the landing and take-off of aircraft.”

The primary benefit of having one agreed upon definition of a runway incursion is to determine common factors that contribute to runway incursion events. As common contributory factors are revealed, the hazards that led to them can be identified, mitigated, and where possible eliminated.

The FAA and ICAO further classify runway incursions with respect to severity. There will no longer be surface incidents associated with runways. The term surface incident will apply only to non-runway locations such as taxiways. The severity categorizations of runway incursions are listed below:

<i>RUNWAY INCURSION SEVERITY CATEGORIZATION</i>	
Category A	A serious incident in which a collision was narrowly avoided.
Category B	An incident in which separation decreases and there is a significant potential for collision, which may result in a time critical corrective/evasive response to avoid a collision.
Category C	An incident characterized by ample time and/or distance to avoid a collision.
Category D	Incident that meets the definition of runway incursion such as incorrect presence of a single vehicle/person/aircraft on the protected area of a surface designated for the landing and take-off of aircraft but with no immediate safety consequences.

