

NOTICE

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FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
Air Traffic Organization Policy

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SUBJ: Domestic Events Network (DEN) Reporting Requirements

- 1. Purpose of This Notice.** Elevated security-related issues mandate the need for all air traffic control (ATC) facilities to report security incidents to the DEN. This notice clarifies what incidents are mandatory to be reported to the DEN. The reporting of security issues that affect the National Airspace System (NAS) are contained in multiple Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) orders and are being updated and consolidated to make referencing easier. This is not an all inclusive list, and ATC personnel should use good judgement and report any event that might have security impacts to the NAS.
- 2. Audience.** This notice applies to the follow Air Traffic Organization (ATO) service organizations: En Route and Oceanic, Terminal, System Operations, and Mission Support; the ATO Office of Safety; and all associated air traffic control facilities.
- 3. Where Can I Find This Notice?** The notice is available on the My FAA employee Web site at https://employees.faa.gov/tools_resources/orders_notices/ and on the air traffic publications Web site at http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications.
- 4. Procedures.** The DEN is a 24/7 FAA-sponsored telephonic conference call network (recorded) that includes all of the air route traffic control centers (ARTCC) in the United States. It also includes various other Governmental agencies that monitor the DEN for situational awareness. The purpose of the DEN is to provide timely notification to the appropriate authority that there is an emerging air or ground related problem or incident involving the NAS.

The following items are required reporting events for all ATC facilities. This is not an all inclusive list and ATC personnel should use good judgement and report any event that might be a security related issue.

a. Lost communications (NORDO). Radio communications have not been (re)established within 5 minutes of last known or recorded radio communication. This excludes NORDO visual flight rules (VFR) aircraft not displaying other unusual activity, such as flying low level over metropolitan areas or orbiting around a nuclear power plant.

*REFERENCE—
FAAO JO 7610.4, Para 7-3-1, Application*

b. Displaying or requesting unusual deviations from assigned routing. This applies to all instrument flight rules (IFR) aircraft.

*REFERENCE—
FAAO JO 7610.4, Para 7-2-1, Reporting HIJACK or Other Suspicious Activity*

c. Change of destination while on an IFR flight plan. This applies to air carriers, cargo, scheduled air taxi, non-scheduled air taxi, charter, and general aviation aircraft.

NOTE-

Upon receiving a report on a "Change of Destination" due to weather conditions at a flight's filed destination airport, the DEN ATSC may temporarily suspend this reporting requirement on subsequent ACFT originally filed for that same airport.

REFERENCE -

FAAO JO 7610.4, Para 7-2-2, Initial Report Content

d. Security incidents. Any event that may have, or already has, raised the security concerns of local airport authority, ATC, Transportation Security Administration (TSA), or law enforcement must be reported. This includes, but is not limited to, terminal evacuation, bomb threats, breach of airport perimeter, airport closure, and any event involving airport or aircraft security.

REFERENCE-

FAAO JO 7610.4, Para 7-1-4, Bomb Threats Using Improvised Explosive Devices Onboard Aircraft

e. Emergencies. Aircraft displaying beacon code 7700 or reporting the emergency to ATC. This applies to all aircraft.

f. Hijack. Aircraft displaying beacon code 7500 or reporting hijack to ATC. This applies to all aircraft.

REFERENCE-

FAAO JO 7110.65, Para 10-2-6, Hijacked Aircraft

FAAO JO 7610.4, Chapter 7, Hijacked/Suspicious Aircraft Reporting and Procedures

g. Aircraft experiencing a disturbance either on the ground or in flight. This applies to all aircraft.

REFERENCE-

FAAO JO 7610.4, Para 7-4-2, Air Crew Coordination with ATC for Hijacking and Response Procedures

h. Special Interest Flights (SIF). All SIF flights must remain on their approved route of flight except for safety of flight issues. Controller-initiated routing for weather is authorized after coordination with the Air Traffic Security Coordinator in HQ DEN.

REFERENCE-

FAAO JO 7610.4, Para 12-13, Special Interest Flights

FAAO JO 7110.65, Para 9-2-9, Special Interest Sites

FAAO JO 7210.3, Para 17-4-2, Special Interest Flights

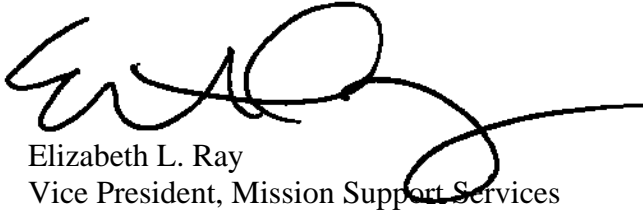
g. Very Important Person (VIP) movement. President of the United States (POTUS), Vice President of the United States (VPOTUS), First Lady of the United States (FLOTUS), and United States Secret Service (USSS) supported VIP movement.

REFERENCE-

FAA JO 7610.4, Para 7-1-1, Purpose

FAA JO 7210.2, Para 20-4-1, Domestic Events Network (DEN)

5. Distribution. This notice is distributed to the following ATO service units: En Route and Oceanic, Terminal, Safety, System Operations, and Mission Support; the ATO Office of Safety; the Air Traffic Safety Oversight Service; the William J. Hughes Technical Center; and the Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center.



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