

ACF/ACM Abbreviations

Below is a compiled list of Abbreviations and Acronyms used in ACF and ACM minutes, Presentations, and Recommendation Documents posted to this website from past Charting Group meetings from 1992 to present day.

A

- AA - American Airlines
- AAAE - American Association of Airport Executives
- AAS - Airport Advisory Service
- AAUP- Attention All Users Page
- ABET - Aerospace Behavioral Engineering & Technology
- AC - Advisory Circular
- AC&C - Aeronautical Charting and Cartography
- ACD - Aeronautical Charting Division
- ACF - Aeronautical Charting Forum (1992 - 2017)
- ACI-NA - Airports Council International - North America
- ACM - Aeronautical Charting Meeting (2018 - Present)
- CG - Charting Group
- IPG - Instrument Procedures Group
- ACN - Aircraft Classification Number
- ACR - Avionics Computer Resource
- ADC - Aeronautical Data Change
- ADF - Automatic Direction Finder
- ADIZ - Air Defense Identification Zone
- ADS - Automatic Dependent Surveillance
- ADS-B - Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast
- Advstry - Advisory
- AFB - Air Force Base
- A/FD - Airport/Facility Directory
- AFFSA - Air Force Flight Standards Agency
- AFIS - Automatic Flight Information Service
- AFM - Aircraft Flight Manual
- AFS- Air Force Station
- AFSS - Automated Flight Service Station
- AGIS - Airports Geographic Information Systems
- AGL - Above Ground Level
- AIM - Aeronautical Information Manual
 - [HTML Version](#)
 - [PDF Version](#)
- AIP - Aeronautical Information Publication
- AIP - Airport Improvement Plan
- AIRAC - Aeronautical Information Regulation And Control
- AIRNAV - Air Navigation Database
- AIS - Aeronautical Information Services
- AISMAPSG - AIS/MAP Study Group
- AISR - Aeronautical Information System Re-host
- AIXM - Aeronautical Information Exchange Model
- AK- Alaska
- AL - Alabama
- AL - Approach and Landing
- ALP - Airport Layout Plan
- ALPA - Air Line Pilots Association
- ALR/PLR - Aircraft Load Rating / Pavement Load Rating (Transport Canada)
- ALS - Approach Lighting System
- ALSF - Approach Lighting with Sequenced Flashing Lights
- ALT - Altitude
- ALTN - Alternate
- AMA - Alternate Missed Approach
- AMM - Airport Moving Map
- AMS - Acquisition Management System
- AMTI - Advanced Management Technology, Inc.
- ANC - Air Navigation Commission
- AOD - Available on Demand
- AOPA - Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association
- AOSC - Airport Obstruction and Safety Committee
- APCH - Approach
- APP - Approach
- APP CON - Approach Control
- APP CRS - Approach Course
- Apt - Airport
- APV - Approaches with Vertical Guidance
- AR - Authorization Required
- ARD - Aeronautical Requirement Document

- ARINC - *Aeronautical Radio, Inc.*
- ARINC 424 - *Navigational System Data Base Standard*
- ARP - *Aerospace Recommended Practice*
- ARP - *Airport Reference Point*
- ARS - *Air Traffic Requirements Service*
- ARTCC - *Air Route Traffic Control Center*
 - ZAB - *Albuquerque Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZAU - *Chicago Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZBW - *Boston Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZDC - *Washington Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZFW - *Dallas-Ft Worth Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZHU - *Houston Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZID - *Indianapolis Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZJX - *Jacksonville Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZKC - *Kansas City Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZLA - *Los Angeles Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZLC - *Salt Lake City Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZMA - *Miami Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZME - *Memphis Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZMP - *Minneapolis Air Route Traffic Control Center*
 - ZNY - *New York Air Route Traffic Control Center*
 - ZOA - *Oakland Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZOB - *Cleveland Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZSE - *Seattle Air Route Traffic Control Center.*
 - ZTL - *Atlanta Air Route Traffic Control Center.*

- ASCII - *American Standard Code for Information Interchange (data format)*
- ASCM - *American Congress on Surveying and Mapping*
- ASD - *Airport Source Data*
- ASDA - *Accelerate-Stop Distance Available*
- ASDA-X - *Airport Surface Detection Equipment-Model X*
- ASMD - *Airport Safety Modeling Data*
- ASOS - *Automated Surface Observing Station*
- ASR - *Airport Surveillance Radar*
- ASV - *Approach Service Volume*
- AT - *Action Team*
- AT - *Air Traffic*

- ATA - *Aerobatic Training Area*
- ATA - *Air Transport Association*
- ATC - *Air Traffic Control*
- ATCAA - *Air Traffic Control Assigned Airspace*
- ATIS - *Automatic Terminal Information Service*
- ATL - *Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (FAA Airport Identifier)*
- ATM - *Air Traffic Management*
- ATO - *Air Traffic Organization*
- ATPAC - *Air Traffic Procedures Advisory Committee*
- ATS - *Air Traffic Service*
- ATSAP - *Air Traffic Safety Action Program*
- ATSB - *Australia Transportation Safety Board*
- ATSOIT - *Air Traffic Operational Implementation Team*
- AUNICOM - *Automated Aeronautical Advisory Station*
- AWO - *All Weather Operations*
- AWOS - *Automated Weather Observing Station*
- AXIM - *Aeronautical Information Exchange Model*

B

- Baro-VNAV - *Barometric Vertical Navigation*
- BS - *Broadcast Station*
- BWI - *Baltimore-Washington International Airport (FAA Airport Identifier)*

C

- CAC - *Caribbean Aeronautical Chart*
- CAD - *Computer-Aided Design*
- CAD - *Constant Angle Descent*
- Capt - *Captain*
- CAR - *Circling Approach Radii*
- CAR - *Circling Approach Radius*
- CAST - *Commercial Aviation Safety Team*
- CAT - *Category*
- CCP - *Cartographic Change Proposal*
- CDFA - *Continuous Descent Final Approach*

- CDM - Collaborative Decision Making
- Cdr - Commander (Military Rank)
- CDR - Coded Departure Routes
- CDTI - Cockpit Display of Traffic Information
- CertAlert - National Certification Alert (Part 139)
- CFA - Controlled Firing Areas
- CFIT - Controlled Flight Into Terrain
- CFR - Code of Federal Regulations
- CH - Channel
- CIFP - Coded Instrument Flight Procedures
- CL - Runway Center Lights
- CLE - Cleveland Hopkins International Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- CLNC DEL - Clearance Delivery
- CLT - Charlotte Douglas International Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- CN - Chart Notice
- CNF - Computer Navigation Fix
- CNOTAM - Correction NOTAM
- Col or COL - Colonel
- COMM - Communications
- CONUS - Contiguous United States
- COP - Changeover Point
- COTS - Commercial Off-The-Shelf
- CPDLC - Controller Pilot Data Link Communication
- CRAF - Civil Reserve Air Fleet
- CRS - Course
- CT - Control Tower
- CTAF - Common Traffic Advisory Frequency
- CTR or Ctr - Contractor
- CVFP - Charted Visual Flight Procedure
- CY - Calendar Year

D

- DA - Decision Altitude
- DA - Density Altitude
- DACS - Digital Aeronautical Chart Supplement
- DAFIF - Digital Aeronautical Flight Information File

- DAL - Dallas Love Field (FAA Airport Identifier)
- D-ATIS - Digital Automatic Terminal Information Service
- DC - District of Columbia
- DCP - Document Change Proposal
- DD - Declared Distance(s)
- DEP CON - Departure Control
- DERS - Digital Enroute Supplement
- DFAD - Digital Features Analysis Data
- DFW - Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- DH - Decision Height
- DHS - Department of Homeland Security
- DINS - Defense Internet NOTAM Service
- DMA - Defense Mapping Agency
- DMax - Service Volume (Associated with GLS Procedures)
- DME - Distance Measuring Equipment
 - DL - Low (Expanded Service Volume)
 - DH - High (Expanded Service Volume)
- DND - Department of National Defense (Canada)
- DOC - Department of Commerce
- DOC - Document
- DoD - Department of Defense
- DOF - Digital Obstacle File
- DOT - Department of Transportation
- DP - Departure Procedure
- DT - Daylight Savings Time
- DTED - Digital Terrain Elevation Data
- DUATS - Direct User Access Terminal Service
- DVA - Diverse Vector Area

E

- eALP - Electronic Airport Layout Plan
- e-CFR - electronic Code of Federal Regulations
- eNASR - electronic National Airspace System Resource
- EAA - Experimental Aircraft Association
- EFAS - Enroute Flight Advisory Service
- EFB - Electronic Flight Bag
- EFVS - Enhanced Flight Vision System

- Elev - Elevation
- EMAS - Engineered Materials Arresting System
- EMS - Emergency Medical Service
- EOWG - Engine Out Working Group
- ERAM - En Route Automation Modernization
- ESRI - Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc.
- EUROCAE - European Organization for Civil Aviation Equipment

F

- FAA - Federal Aviation Administration
- FAA Advisory Circulars (ACs)
 - 90-100 - *U.S Terminal and En Route Area Navigation (RNAV) Operations*
 - 90-105 - *Approval Guidance for RNP Operations and Barometric Vertical Navigation in the U.S. National Airspace System*
 - 91-78 - *Use of Class 1 or Class 2 Electronic Flight Bag (EFB)*
 - 120-76 - *Authorization for Use of Electronic Flight Bags*
 - 120-118 - *Criteria for Approval/Authorization of All Weather Operations (AWO) for Takeoff, Landing, and Rollout* (PDF)
 - 150-5300-13 - *Airport Design*
 - 150-5300-18 - *General Guidance and Specifications for Submission of Aeronautical Surveys to NGS: Field Data Collection and Geographic Information System (GIS) Standards*
 - 150-5300-19 - *Airport Data and Information Program*
- FAA Forms (may be referred to in minutes as -#)
 - 5010.....*Airport Master Record*
 - 7480-1.....*Notice of Landing Area Proposal*
 - 8260-1.....*Flight Procedures Standards Waiver*
 - 8260-2.....*Radio Fix and Holding Data Record*
 - 8260-3.....*Instrument Approach Procedure (ILS or RNAV)*
 - 8260-4.....*Radar - Standard Instrument Approach Procedure*
 - 8260-5.....*Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (Nonprecision)*
 - 8260-7a.....*Special Instrument Approach Procedure*
 - 8260-7b.....*Special Instrument Approach Authorization*
 - 8260-9.....*Standard Instrument Approach Procedure Data Record*
 - 8260-10*Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (Continuation)*
 - 8260-15a*Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures (ODP)*
 - 8260-15b*Graphic Departure Procedure (DP)*
 - 8260-15c*Departure (Data Record)*
 - 8260-15d*Diverse Vector Area (DVA)*
 - 8260-15e*Attention All Users Page (Departure Procedures)*
 - 8260-15f*Attention All Users Page (Simultaneous Close Parallel)*
 - 8260-16*Transmittal of Airways/Route Data*
- FAA Orders (may be referred to in minutes as .#)
 - 5010.4*Airport Safety Data Program*
 - 7110.661*Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Broadcast (ADS-B)*
 - 7350.7.....*Location Identifiers (replaced by JO 7350.9)*
 - 8260.3*U.S. Standard for Terminal Instrument Procedures (TERPS)*
 - 8260.15.....*U.S. Army Terminal Instrument Procedures Service*
 - 8260.19.....*Flight Procedures and Airspace*
 - 8260.42*U.S. Standard for Helicopter Area Navigation (RNAV)*
 - 8260.44.....*(Replaced by 8260.58)*
 - 8260.46.....*Departure Procedure (DP) Program*
 - 8260.49.....*Simultaneous Offset Instrument Approach (SOIA)*
 - 8260.55.....*Special Area Navigation Visual Flight Procedures (RNAV, RVFP)*

- 8260.58.....U.S. Standard for Performance Based Navigation (PBN) Instrument Procedure Design
- 8260.60.....Special Instrument Procedures
- 8400.AAUP.....Approach and Departure Attention All Users Page (AAUP)
- 8400.9.....National Safety and Operational Criteria for Runway Selection Plans and Noise Abatement Runway Use Programs
- **FAA Orders** (Joint or JO Prefix) (may be referred to in minutes as .#)
 - 6850.2Visual Guidance Lighting Systems
 - 7100.9.....Standard Terminal Arrival Program and Procedures
 - 7100.41.....Performance Based Navigation Implementation Process
 - 7110.65.....Air Traffic Control
 - 7350.9Location Identifiers
 - 7110.310Automatic Dependent Surveillance - Broadcast (ADS-B) Air Traffic Control (ATC) Services at Air Route Traffic Control Centers (ARTCCs) Using En Route Automation Modernization (ERAM)
 - 7400.2Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters
 - 7400.8.....Special Use Airspace
 - 7400.9.....Airspace Designations and Reporting Points
 - 7930.2Notices to Airmen (NOTAM)
 - 7350.9.....Location Identifiers
- **FAAST** - Federal Aviation Administration Safety Team
- **FAC** - Final Approach Course
- **FADDS** - Facility Aeronautical Data Distribution Systems
- **FAF** - Final Approach Fix
- **FANS** - Future Air Navigation System
- **FAP** - Final Approach Point
- **FAR** - Federal Aviation Regulation (Under Title 14 Aeronautics and Space)
 - FAR Part 1 - Definitions and Abbreviations
 - FAR Part 61 - Certification: Pilots, Flight Instructors, and Ground Instructors
 - FAR Part 77 - Safe, Efficient Use, and Preservation of the Navigable Airspace
 - FAR Part 91 - General Operating and Flight Rules
 - FAR Part 91, Subpart K - Fractional Ownership Operations
 - FAR Part 97 - Standard Instrument Procedures
 - FAR Part 107 - UAS Operations
 - FAR Part 121 - Operating Requirements: Domestic, Flag and Supplemental Operations
 - FAR Part 135 - Operating Requirements: Commuter and On Demand Operations and Rules Governing Persons on Board Such Aircraft
 - FAR Part 139 - Certification of Airports
 - FAR Part 141 - Pilot Schools
 - FAR Part 142 - Training Centers
- **FAQ** - Frequently Asked Question(s)
- **FAS** - Final Approach Segment
- **FB** - Fly-by
- **FBO** - Fixed Based Operator
- **FCC** - Federal Communications Commission
- **FCC** - FLIP Coordinating Committee
- **FD** - Flight Director
- **FDC** - Flight Data Center
- **FDU** - Flight Data Unit
- **FedEx** - Federal Express
- **FFP1** - Free Flight Phase I
- **FIR** - Flight Information Region
- **FL** - Flight Level
- **FLIP** - Flight Information Publication
- **FMC** - Flight Management Computer
- **FMS** - Flight Management System
- **FNS** - Federal NOTAM System
- **FO** - Fly-over
- **FOIA** - Freedom of Information Act

- fpm - *feet per minute*
- FPO - *Flight Procedures Office(s)*
- FPT - *Flight Procedure Team*
- FR - *Federal Register*
- FRT - *Fixed Radius Transitions*
- FREQ - *Frequency*
- FRZ - *Flight Restricted Zone*
- FSDO - *Flight Standards District Office*
- FSS - *Flight Service Station*
- ft - *feet*
- FY - *Fiscal Year*

G

- GA - *General Aviation*
- GA - *Georgia*
- GBAS- *Ground-Based Augmentation System*
- GBT - *Ground Based Transceivers*
- GC - *General Council*
- GCO - *Ground Communications Outlet*
- GENOT - *General Notice*
- GIS - *Geographic Information System*
- GL - *Glider Areas (Prefix)*
- GLS - *GBAS Landing System*
- GND - *Ground*
- GND CON - *Ground Control*
- GNSS - *Global Navigation Satellite System*
- GP - *Geographic Position*
- GP - *Glide Path*
- GPS - *Global Positioning System*
 - MOPS - *Minimum Operational Performance Standards*
- GS - *Glide Slope*
- GS - *Ground Speed*

H

- HAA - *Height Above Airport*
- HAAM - *High Altitude Airspace Management*

- HAI - *Helicopter Association International*
- HAR - *High Altitude Redesign*
- HAT - *Height Above Touchdown*
- HCH - *Helicopter Crossing Point*
- Hdg - *Heading*
- HEMS - *Helicopter Emergency Medical Service*
- HF - *High Frequency*
- HG - *Hand Glider Areas(Prefix)*
- HIL - *Hold-in-Lieu*
- HIRL - *High Intensity Runway Lights*
- HILPT - *Hold-in-lieu of Procedure Turn*
- HIWAS - *Hazardous Inflight Weather Advisory Service*
- HQ - *Headquarters*
- HS - *Hot Spot*
- HUD - *Heads Up Display*
- HWG - *Helicopter Workgroup*
- HYI - *San Marcos Regional Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)*

I

- IAC - *Interagency Air Committee*
- IACC - *Interagency Air Cartographic Committee*
- IAF - *Initial Approach Fix*
- IAP - *Instrument Approach Procedure*
- IATA - *International Air Transport Association*
- IAW - *In Accordance With*
- ICAO - *International Civil Aviation Authority*
- IACO Annexes
 - *Annex 4 - Aeronautical Charts*
 - *Annex 11 - Air Traffic Services*
 - *Annex 15 - Aeronautical Information Services*
- ID - *Identifier*
- IDT - *Identifier*
- IF - *Intermediate Fix*
- IFPP - *Instrument Flight Procedures Panel*
- IFR - *Instrument Flight Rules*
- IFSAR - *Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar*
- IG - *Inspector General*

- ILS - *Instrument Landing System*
 - CAT I - *Category I*
 - CAT II - *Category II*
 - CAT III - *Category III*
 - *Subcategory (ies) a, b, c*
- IMC - *Instrument Meteorological Conditions*
- INCP - *Intercept*
- InFO - *Information for Operators*
- INS - *Inertial Navigation System*
- IPH - *Instrument Procedures Handbook*
- IF - *Infra-Red*
- Int'l - *International*
- IR - *Instrument Route*
- IRU - *Inertial Reference Unit*
- ISO - *International Organization for Standardization*
 - *9000 Series of Standards - Quality Management*
- IWG - *Integration Work Group*

J

- JO - *Joint Order*
- JIMDAT - *Joint Implementation Measurement and Data Analysis Team*
- JPL - *Jet Propulsion Laboratory*
- JSIT - *Joint Safety Implementation Team*

K

- KBOS - *Boston General Edward Lawrence Logan International Airport (ICAO Airport Identifier)*
- KDCA - *Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (ICAO Airport Identifier)*
- KIAS - *Knots*
- km – *kilometers*

L

- L - *Left*
- LA - *Los Angeles*
- LAA - *Local Airport Advisory*
- LAAS - *Local Area Augmentation System*
- LAHSO - *Land and Hold Short*
- Lat/Long - *Latitude / Longitude*
- LAX - *Los Angeles International Airport (FAA Airport Identifier)*
- LDA - *Landing Distance Available*
- LDA - *Localizer-type Directional Aid*
- Ldg - *Landing*
- LDIN - *Lead-In Lighting System*
- LED - *Light-Emitting Diode*
- LF - *Low Frequency*
- LIRL - *Low Intensity Runway Lights*
- LNAV - *Lateral Navigation*
- LOA - *Letter of Authorization*
- LOC - *Localizer*
- LOM - *Locator Outer Marker*
- LPV - *Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance*
- LRRS - *Long Range Radar Station*
- Lt Col - *Lieutenant Colonel*
- LTP - *Landing Threshold Point*
- LVO - *Low Visibility Operations*

M

- MA - *Missed Approach*
- MAA - *Maximum Authorized Altitude*
- MAGVAR - *Magnetic Variation*
- MALSR - *Medium Intensity Approach Lighting System With Runway Alignment Indicator Lights*
- MAP - *Missed Approach Point*
- MASPS - *Minimum Aviation System Performance Standards*
- MCA - *Minimum Crossing Altitude*
- MCO - *Orlando International Airport (FAA Airport Identifier)*
- MD - *Maryland*

- MDA - *Minimum Descent Altitude*
- MDH - *Minimum Descent Height*
- MEA - *Minimum Enroute Altitude*
- MEF - *Maximum Elevation Figure*
- MF - *Medium Frequency*
- MIA - *Minimum IFR Altitude*
- MIN - *Minimum*
- MIRL - *Medium Intensity Runway Lights*
- MIT - *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*
- MN - *Minnesota*
- MOA - *Memorandum of Agreement*
- MOA - *Military Operations Areas*
- MOCA - *Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude*
- MON - *Minimum Operational Network*
- MORA - *Minimum Off-Route Altitude*
- MOS - *Modification of Standards*
- MPOC - *Member Point of Contact*
(associated with IACC/IAC)
- MRA - *Minimum Reception Altitude*
- MSA - *Minimum Safe Altitude*
- MSA - *Minimum Sector Altitude*
- MSAW - *Minimum Safe Altitude Warning*
- MSL - *Mean Sea Level*
- MSP - *Minneapolis-St Paul International/World-Chamberlain*
Airport (FAA Airport Identifier)
- MTA - *Minimum Turning Altitude*
- MTR - *Military Training Route*
- MVA - *Minimum Vector Altitude*
- MVAC - *Minimum Vectoring Altitude Charts*

N

- N/A - *Not Applicable*
- NA - *Not Authorized*
- NACG - *National Aeronautical Charting Group*
- NACO - *National Aeronautical Charting Office*
- NADE - *National Aeronautical Data Environment*
- NaimeES - *NAS Aeronautical Information Management*
Enterprise System

- NAS - *National Airspace System*
- NASA - *National Aeronautics and Space Administration*
 - [ASRS - Aviation Safety Reporting System](#)
- NASAO - *National Association of State Aviation Officials*
- NASR - *National Airspace System Resource*
- NATCA - *National Air Traffic Controllers Association*
- NAV - *Navigation*
- NAVAID - *Navigational Aid (Ground based)*
- NavData - *Navigation Data*
- NAVFIG - *Naval Flight Information Group*
- NBAA - *National Business Aviation Association*
- NDB - *Non-Directional Radiobeacon*
- NDCWG - *Navigational Data Currency Work Group*
- NDDWG - *Navigational Digital Display Work Group*
- NEC ACR - *Northeast Corridor Atlantic Coast Routes*
- NextGen - *Next Generation Air Transportation System*
- NFDC - *National Flight Data Center*
- NFPO - *National Flight Procedures Office*
- NGA - *National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency*
- NGS - *National Geodetic Survey*
- NIMA - *National Imagery and Mapping Agency*
- NM - *Nautical Mile*
- NOAA - *National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration*
- NO A/G - *No Air-to-Ground Communication*
- NOS - *Natioanl Ocean Survey*
- NOTAM - *Notice to Airman*
 - CCP - *Chart Change-Permanent*
 - D - *Distant Dissemination beyond the area of responsibility of the Flight Service Station*
 - FDC - *Flight Data Center*
 - FICON - *Field Condition*
 - P - *Permanent*
 - UFN - *Until Further Notice*
- NoPT - *No Procedure Turn*
- NPA - *Non-Precision Approach*
- NPRM - *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*
- NRR - *Nonrestrictive Routing*
- NRS - *Navigation Reference System*
- NTAP - *Notices to Airman Publication*

- NTSB - *National Transportation Safety Board*
 - SR - *Safety Recommendation*
(often followed by document number)
- NV - *Nevada*
- NWS - *National Weather Service*
- NY - *New York*

O

- OAIX - *Bagram Airbase (ICAO Airport Identifier)*
- OAT - *Outside Air Temperature*
- OBS - *Omni Bearing Selector*
- OC - *Aerodrome Obstacle Clearance Charts*
(ICAO Annex 4)
- OCA - *Ocean Control Area*
- OCP - *Obstacle Clearance Panel*
- OCS - *Obstacle Clearance Surface*
- ODP - *Obstacle Departure Procedure*
- OE/AAA - *Obstruction Evaluation/Airport and Airspace Analysis*
- OEG - *Obstacle Evaluation Group*
- OKC - *Oklahoma City*
- OM - *Outer Marker*
- OMB - *Office of Management and Budget*
- OPI - *Office of Primary Interest*
- OPR - *Office of Primary Responsibility*
- OpSpec - *Operation Specification*
- ORD - *Chicago O'Hare International Airport*
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- OROCA - *Off Route Obstruction Clearance Altitude*
- ORS - *Obstruction Repository System*
- OSG - *Operations Support Group*
- OTS - *Out of Service*

P

- P-56 - *Prohibited Airspace - 56 (located in Washington DC)*

- PA - *Precision Approach*
- PAJA - *Parachute Jump Areas*
- PANC - *Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport*
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- PANS OPS - *Procedures for Air Navigation Services - Aircraft Operations*
- PAPI - *Precision Approach Path Indicators*
- PAR - *Precision Approach Radar*
- PARC - *Performance-based operations Aviation Rulemaking Committee*
- PASC - *Deadhorse Airport*
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- PBN - *Performance Based Navigation*
- PBO - *Performance Based Organization*
- PCG - *Pilot/Controller Glossary*
- PCN - *Pavement Classification Number*
- P/PPP - *Pilot / Controller Procedures and Phraseology*
- PDC - *Pre-Departure Clearance*
- PERM - *Permanent*
- pFAST - *Passive Final Approach Spacing Tool*
- PGL - *Policy Guidance Letter*
- PHX - *Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport*
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- PiNS - *Point in Space*
- PIREP - *Pilot Weather Briefing*
- PJA - *Parachute Jump Areas*
- PJAWG - *Parachute Jump Areas Work Group*
- PNS - *Point in Space*
- PRM - *Precision Runway Monitor*
- PSA - *PSA Airline (Subsidiary of American Airlines)*
- PT- *Procedure Turn*
- PTP - *Point-to-Point*
- Pvt - *Private*

Q

- QUADS - *Quadrangles*

R

- R - Right
- RAIM - Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring
- RAPT - Regional Airspace Procedures Team
- RASS - Remote Altimeter Setting Source
- RCAF - Royal Canadian Air Force
- RCO - Remote Communications Outlet
- RD - Recommendation Document (ACM)
- RD - Requirement Document (IACC or IAC)
- RDU - Raleigh-Durham International Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- REL - Runway Entrance Lights
- RF - Radius-to-Fix
- RITTR - RNAV IFR Terminal Transition Routes
- RLLS - Runway Lead-In Light System
- RNAV - Area Navigation
- RNP - Required Navigation Performance
- RNP AR - Required Navigation Performance Authorization
Required
- ROC - Required Obstacle Clearance
- RP - Right Pattern
- RTCA - Radio Technical Commission for Aviation
- RVR - Runway Visual Range
- RVSM - Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum
- RWSL - Runway Status Lights
- Rwy - Runway

S

- SA - Special Authorization
- SAAR - Special Aircraft and Aircrew Requirements
- SAAAR - Special Aircraft and Aircrew Authorization
Required
- SAE-Aerospace - Society of Automotive Engineers
- SAN - San Diego International Airport (FAA Airport Identifier)
- SAR - Side Angle Radar
- SARP - Standards and Recommendation Practice
- SATNAV - Satellite Navigation

- SAV - Surface Analysis & Visualization
- SAVT - Surface Analysis and Visualization Tool
- SBAS - Satellite-based Augmentation System
- SC - Special Committee
- SCAUG - Southern California Airspace Users Group
- SDF - Simplified Directional Facility
- SEA - Seattle-Tacoma International Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- SER - Start End of Runway
- SFAR - Special Flight Rules Area
- SFC - Surface
- SFO - San Francisco International Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- SFRA - Special Flight Rules Area
- SIAPS - Standard Instrument Approach Procedures
- SID - Standard Instrument Departure
- SM - Statute Mile
- SMA - Surface Movement Advisor
- SMAR - Special Military Activity Routes
- SMGCS - Surface Movement Guidance and Control System
- SMS - Safety Management System
- SNA - John Wayne-Orange County Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- SOCAL - Southern California
- SOIA - Simultaneous Offset Instrument Approaches
- SOIT - Satellite Operational Implementation Team
- SOP - Standard Operating Procedure
- SPIT - Satellite Procedures Implementation Team
- SRAC - Sectional and Terminal Raster Aeronautical Charts
- SRM - Safety Risk Management
- SRTM - Shuttle Radar Topography Mission
- SSALR - Simplified Short Approach Lighting System
- SSV - Standard Service Volume
- STL - St Louis Lambert International Airport
(FAA Airport Identifier)
- STAR - Standard Terminal Arrival Procedure
- SUA - Special Use Airspace
- SVFR - Special Visual Flight Rules
- SW - Southwest

- SWAP - *Severe Weather Avoidance Plan*
- SWIM - *System Wide Information Management*

T

- TA - *Travel Advisory*
- TAA - *Terminal Arrival Area*
- TAC - *Terminal Area Chart*
- TACAN - *Tactical Air Navigation*
- TALPA - *Take Off and Landing Performance Assessment*
- TAORMC - *Terminal Area Operations Rule Making Committee*
- TAPP - *Transport Aircraft Performance Planning*
- TAS - *True Air Speed*
- TASC - *Transportation Administrative Service Center*
- TAWS - *Terrain Awareness and Warning System*
- TBD - *To Be Determined*
- TCA - *Terminal Control Area (Canada)*
- TCAS - *Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance System*
- TCH - *Threshold Crossing Height*
- TCN - *Terminal Change Notice*
- TDZ - *Touchdown Zone*
- TDZE - *Touchdown Zone Elevation*
- TDZL - *Touchdown Zone Lights*
- TDZ/CL - *Touchdown Zone/Centerline Lights*
- TEB - *Teterboro Airport (FAA Airport Identifier)*
- TEC - *Tower Enroute Control*
- TERPS - *U.S. Standard for Terminal Instrument Procedures*
- TFR - *Temporary Flight Restriction*
- TG - *Task Group*
- TIBS - *Telephone Information Briefing Service*
- TIS-B - *Traffic Information Service - Broadcast*
- TL - *Transmittal Letter*
- TMA - *Traffic Management Advisor*
- TOC - *Tactical Operations Committee*
- TOC - *Top of Climb*
- TOD - *Top of Descent*
- TOD Team - *Terrain and Obstacles Data Team*
- TODA - *Takeoff Distance Available*

- TOGA - *Takeoff/Go Around*
- TORA - *Takeoff Runway Available*
- TPA - *Traffic Pattern Altitude*
- TPC - *Tactical Pilotage Chart*
- TPP - *Terminal Procedures Publication*
- TRACON - *Terminal Area Radar Approach Control*
- TRB - *Technical Review Board*
- TRSA - *Terminal Radar Service Area*
- TSO - *Technical Standard Order*
- 129A - *Airborne Supplemental Navigation Equipment Using the Global Positioning System (GPS)*
- TWA - *Trans World Airlines*
- TWEB - *Transcribed Weather Broadcast*
- TWIP - *Terminal Weather Information for Pilots*
- TWR - *Tower*
- TX - *Texas*

U

- UAS - *Unmanned Aircraft Systems*
- UAV - *Unmanned Aircraft Vehicle*
- UC - *Under Construction*
- UDDF - *Universal Data Delivery Format (Computer File Format)*
- UFN - *Until Further Notice*
- UHF - *Ultra High Frequency*
- UIR - *Upper Information Region*
- UK - *United Kingdom*
- UNICOM - *Universal Communications*
- UPS - *United Parcel Service*
- URET - *User-Request Evaluation Tool*
- U.S. - *United States*
- U.S. AIP - [United States Aeronautical Information Publication](#)
- USA - *United States Army*
- USAF - *United States Air Force*
- USCG - *United States Coast Guard*
- USGS - *United States Geological Survey*
- US-IFPP - *United States - Instrument Flight Procedures Panel*

- UL - *UltraLight Areas (Prefix)*
- USMC - *United States Marine Corps*
- USN - *United States Navy*
- USPA - *United States Parachute Association*
- UTA - *Upper Control Area*
- UTC - *Coordinated Universal Time*

V

- VA - *Virginia*
- VASI - *Visual Approach Slope Indicator Lights*
- VCAM - *Visual Charting and Airport Mapping*
- VDA - *Visual Descent Angle*
- VDP - *Visual Decent Point*
- VFR - *Visual Flight Rules*
- VGSI - *Visual Glide Slope Indicator*
- VHF - *Very High Frequency*
- VIS - *Visibility*
- VMC - *Visual Meteorological Conditions*
- VNAV - *Vertical Navigation*
- VNTSC - *VOLPE National Transportation System Center*
- VOCA - *Visual Climb Over Airport / Airfield*
- VOLPE - *U.S. Department of Transportation - That National Transportation Systems Center*
- VOR - *VHF Omnidirectional Radio Range*
 - H - *High (Service Volume)*
 - L - *Low (Service Volume)*
 - T - *Terminal (Service Volume)*
 - VL - *VOR Low (Expanded Service Volume)*
 - VH - *VOR High (Expanded Service Volume)*
- VOR MON - *VOR Minimum Operation Network*
- VORTAC - *VHF Omnidirectional Radio Range/Tactical Air Navigation*
- VOT - *Very High Frequency (VHF) Omnidirectional Test*
- VPA - *Vertical Path Angle*
- VR - *Visual Route*

W

- WA - *Washington*
- WAAS - *Wide-Area Augmentation System*
- WAC - *World Aeronautical Chart*
- WG - *Work Group*
- WGS - *World Geodetic System*
- WI - *Wisconsin*
- WP - *Waypoint*
- WSA - *Western Service Area*
- WSL - *Wrong Surface Landing*

X

- XML - *Extensible Markup Language*

Y

- Y2K - *The Year 2000*