

AERONAUTICAL CHARTING MEETING
Charting Group
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RECOMMENDATION DOCUMENT

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Subject: Limiting Number of Missed Approach Icons

Background/Discussion:

Current IAC 4 specifications state that all textual missed approach instructions will be graphically depicted in sequence in the profile view. If space does not permit the depiction of all missed approach icon boxes, only the first four icon boxes shall be shown. In discussions with NGA, they noted that they limit the icon boxes to the first four missed approach instructions in all cases.

All missed approach instructions are already provided textually in the briefing strip. Additionally, the intent of graphic missed approach icons is to provide a quick visual reference to get “up and out” rather than display all approach instructions graphically when space can be limited anyway.

Recommendations:

Portray up to only the first four (4) missed approach instructions as graphic missed approach icons in the profile.

Benefits:

- 1) Would adoption of the recommendation prevent or reduce the likelihood of occurrence of accidents or incidents? Unknown
- 2) Would adoption of the recommendation mitigate a known or potential safety hazard? No
- 3) Would adoption of the recommendation resolve a known or potential issue creating operator or Air Traffic Control system errors? No
- 4) Would adoption of the recommendation increase operational or system efficiencies? Yes, only critical initial instructions show for faster reference, less clutter
- 5) Would any additional benefits be recognized by adoption of the recommendation? Yes, more usable space and/or increased clarity in profile area.

Comments:

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