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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED (Use double spacing and all capital letters)

<p>To:</p> <p>KRWA NOUS2 25/28</p> <p>GENOT RWA 061830Z</p> <p>N JO 7210.966</p> <p>GG ALRGNS 1/500/530 AMC-1 AMA-500 ACT-1 ALATFO XVM</p> <p>EFFECTIVE: 01/01/2026</p> <p>SUBJECT: BASIC WATCH SCHEDULES</p> <p>THE REQUIREMENT FOR A 12-HOUR OFF DUTY PERIOD PRIOR TO A MIDNIGHT SHIFT HAS BEEN SUSPENDED FOR THE PERIOD COVERED BY THE 2026 BASIC WATCH SCHEDULE (BWS).</p> <p>THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS IN FAA JO 7210.3EE ARE TEMPORARILY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:</p> <p>2-5-1. BASIC WATCH SCHEDULES</p> <p>TITLE THROUGH SUBPARAGRAPH b, NO CHANGE</p> <p>c. FACILITY AIR TRAFFIC MANAGERS MUST ENSURE THAT AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SPECIALISTS (ATCS) ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF OPERATION:</p> <p>SUBPARAGRAPH c1 THROUGH c3, NO CHANGE</p> <p>4. HAVE AN OFF DUTY PERIOD OF AT LEAST 12 HOURS FOLLOWING THE MIDNIGHT SHIFT.</p> <p>NO FURTHER CHANGES TO PARAGRAPH</p> <p>2-6-7. BASIC WATCH SCHEDULE</p> <p>TITLE THROUGH SUBPARAGRAPH a, NO CHANGE</p>	
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b. AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SPECIALISTS WHOSE PRIMARY DUTIES ARE THOSE DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE CONTROL AND SEPARATION OF AIRCRAFT MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

SUBPARAGRAPH b1 THROUGH b4, NO CHANGE


5. HAVE AN OFF-DUTY PERIOD OF AT LEAST 12 HOURS FOLLOWING A MIDNIGHT SHIFT. (A MIDNIGHT SHIFT IS DEFINED AS A SHIFT IN WHICH THE MAJORITY OF HOURS ARE WORKED BETWEEN 10:30 P.M. AND 6:30 A.M.)

NO FURTHER CHANGES TO PARAGRAPH.

THIS GENOT CANCELS ON DECEMBER 31, 2026.

PLEASE DIRECT ANY QUESTIONS TO CRYSTAL BALL AT CRYSTAL.L.BALL@FAA.GOV.

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