

NOTICE

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SUBJ: Air Traffic Control Systems Command Center (ATCSCC) Transition Team Duty
Requirement Modifications

- 1. Purpose of This Notice.** This notice amends FAA Order JO 7210.3, Facility Operations and Administration, to outline changes resulting from the completion of phase one of the ATCSCC Transition Team Duty Requirement Modification.
- 2. Audience.** This notice applies to the following Air Traffic Organization (ATO) service units: En Route and Oceanic, Terminal, Mission Support, and System Operations, including the Managers of Tactical Operations (MTO) and Traffic Management Officers (TMO).
- 3. Where Can I Find This Notice?** The notice is available on MyFAA 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. Explanation of Policy Change.** The ATCSCC is in the process of realigning the operational workforce and transitioning select nonsupervisory duties currently being performed by management personnel to the traffic management specialists. The first phase of this activity is to integrate the Terminal Area and Regional Airspace Manager responsibilities through cross-training of operational personnel. As a result of this effort, changes to existing local and national directives are required. As additional changes are completed, the directives will be amended.
- 5. Action.** Amend the following paragraphs as follows:
 - a. Remove "NSST" in the following paragraphs: 1-2-4; 17-7-4a4; 17-13-1b; 17-13-2a, a3, and b; 17-14-1; 17-14-2b; 17-16-2b2, b3, and c3.
 - b. Replace "NESP at the ATCSCC" with "ATCSCC" in paragraph 17-10-4b8.
 - c. Replace "NSST" with "ATCSCC" in paragraphs 17-5-11c, 17-5-11c2, and 17-20-6a.
 - d. Remove "RAM" in the following paragraphs: 17-20-6a thru e.
 - e. Amend paragraphs 17-13-1, 17-13-2, and 17-20-6 to read as follows:

17-13-1. GENERAL

- a. On a national basis, the AT system is most susceptible to thunderstorm activity between April and October. Thunderstorms create a major disruption to the normal and organized movement of air traffic and significantly increase the workload in an impacted facility. To meet this challenge, System Operations has charged the ATCSCC to deal directly and independently with severe weather problem areas.

b. When the potential exists for severe weather which will cause a disruption to normal traffic movements, the ATCSCC will implement procedures designed to optimize the use of the available airspace. Strategic planning is an integral part of severe weather management and the responsibility of all involved.

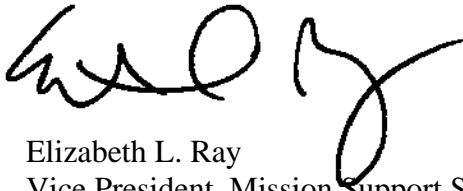
17-13-2. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

b. Facility TMUs must coordinate with the ATCSCC for matters pertaining to severe weather.

17-20-6. PROCEDURES

e. If there are circumstances that prevent the use of a National Playbook route, then the air traffic facility involved must inform the ATCSCC. It is the responsibility of the impacted facility and the ATCSCC to ensure the route is not utilized until the circumstances preventing its use are corrected or the route is deleted.

6. Distribution. This notice applies is distributed to the following ATO service units: En Route and Oceanic, Terminal, Mission Support, and System Operations, including the MTOs and TMOs; air traffic control facilities, except flight service stations; the William J. Hughes Technical Center; the Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center, and the Air Traffic Safety Oversight Service.



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