

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

Air Traffic Organization Policy

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SUBJ: Approval of 3 Nautical Mile (NM) Separation At Or Below (AOB) Flight Level (FL) 230 at facilities using En Route Automation Modernization (ERAM)

1. Purpose of This Notice. This notice approves the application of 3NM separation AOB FL230 when meeting the requirements of Federal Aviation Administration order (FAAO JO) 7110.65, 5-5-4 MINIMA, at facilities using ERAM.

2. Audience. This notice applies to all Air Traffic Organization (ATO) facilities using ERAM.

3. Where Can I Find This Notice? This notice is available on the 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. Procedures/Responsibilities/Action.

Change: FAAO JO 7110.65, 5-5-4. MINIMA

Title thru d.2.

OLD:

3. Below FL 230 where all the following conditions are met -3 miles:

No change.

NEW:

<u>3. Up to and including FL 230 where</u> all the following conditions are met – *3 miles*:

No further changes to paragraph.

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

8. Background.

With the approval of "Expansion of 3NM Separation In the En Route Domain Safety Risk Management Document (SRMD), Version 1.2 August 19, 2014 SRMD-AJV823-SSRS-SI-2014-5715," 3NM separation AOB FL230 was approved at facilities using ERAM. Accordingly, training for field facilities was published on May 28, 2015 and notice FAAO N JO 7110.689 became effective on August 10, 2015

with a cancellation date coinciding with the next publication of FAAO JO 7110.65 on December 10, 2015. However, the guidance published in FAAO JO 7110.65 mistakenly limited 3NM separation to *below* FL230. This notice corrects that guidance and will expire upon the publication of DCP 7110.65 5-5-4, MINIMA (3NM AOB FL230).

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