

## DOCUMENT CHANGE PROPOSAL/BRIEFING SHEET

### FINAL DISPOSITION

**ORDER/PUBLICATION:** 7210.3V

**CHANGE:** Basic

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 11, 2010

**TRACKING #:** 3B- 6-9-1

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#### 1. PARAGRAPH NUMBER AND TITLE:

6-9-1. GENERAL

2. **BACKGROUND:** An agreement was reached between the FAA and Department of Defense (DOD) to include DOD certified aircraft, operated by U.S. Government agencies, in the definition of DOD Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) excepted aircraft. Service providers need clarification and guidance on what a "DOD certified aircraft" is so exceptions can be granted, as appropriate.

3. **EXPLANATION OF CHANGE:** This change adds language to list specific aircraft types of DOD certified aircraft used by NASA that meet the RVSM exception criteria. This change cancels and incorporates N JO 7210.722, Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) Exceptions and Department of Defense (DOD) Certified Aircraft, effective July 31, 2009.

#### 4. CHANGE:

##### OLD

6-9-1. GENERAL

a thru b1

##### NEW

6-9-1. GENERAL

No change

##### **NOTE-**

1. *The following non-RVSM aircraft are exceptions to the exclusive RVSM airspace however, access will be on a workload-permitting basis:*

a. *DOD aircraft.*

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b. *Lifeguard aircraft.*

c. *Aircraft being flown by manufacturers for development and certification.*

d. *Foreign State aircraft.*

##### **NOTE-**

1. *The following non-RVSM aircraft are exceptions to the exclusive RVSM airspace. **However**, access will be on a workload-permitting basis:*

a. *DOD aircraft*

b. **DOD certified aircraft operated by NASA (T38, F15, F18, WB57, S3, and U2 aircraft only).**

c. *Lifeguard aircraft.*

d. *Aircraft being flown by manufacturers for development and certification.*

e. *Foreign State aircraft.*

No further changes to paragraph.

5. **INDEX CHANGES:** None

6. **GRAPHICS:** None

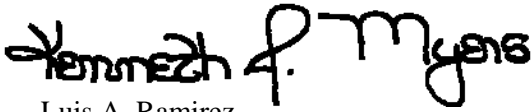
7. **GENOT/NOTICE:** N JO 7210.722, Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum (RVSM) Exceptions and Department of Defense (DOD) Certified Aircraft, effective July 31, 2009

8. **SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT:** (Check appropriate box).

☒ Proposed change meets full SMS requirements for safety risk assessment.

- ☐ (For organizations that have not fully implemented SMS), the proposed change is in accordance with FAAO 1100.161, Air Traffic Safety Oversight, Chapter 5, Paragraph 2 requirements.
- ☐ Proposed change is not safety related.

**Comments:**

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