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## **SECTION 3**

# AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH (CONVENTIONAL LANDING) SURVEYS

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# SECTION 3: AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH (CONVENTIONAL LANDING) SURVEYS

#### **1. DESCRIPTION**

Area Navigation Approach (ANA) surveys for conventional landing provide runway, obstruction, and other information to support precision and nonprecision instrument approach procedure development for conventional aircraft using area navigation systems, such as, GPS. In addition, these surveys provide positions and elevations for selected navigational aids (NAVAIDS) associated with the airport.

ANA surveys also establish (if it does not exist) geodetic control in the airport vicinity consisting of permanent survey marks accurately connected to the National Spatial Reference System (NSRS). This control and the NSRS connection assures accurate relativity between surveyed points on the airport and between these points and other surveyed points in the National Airspace System (NAS), including the navigation satellites. In addition, this control supports not only ANA surveys, but also future engineering activities, such as, runway/taxiway construction, NAVAID siting, obstruction clearing, road building, and other airport related projects.

# 2. DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL

Datum tie and local control requirements for all surveys accomplished in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are identified in Appendix 3.

#### **3. ACCURACIES**

Accuracy requirements for all data provided in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are identified in Appendix 5.

#### 4. RUNWAY AND STOPWAY POINTS

Runway/stopway data shall be provided for all runways and stopways with a specially prepared hard surface (SPHS) existing at the time of the field survey. Data shall be provided for non-SPHS runways only if specifically requested by appropriate Federal Aviation Administration authorities. Data shall be provided for non-SPHS stopways if the stopway was officially designated a stopway by appropriate airport authorities.

Unless otherwise stated, all runway/stopway points shall be on the runway/stopway centerline.

Runways shall be identified by the number painted on the runway at the time of the field survey. If a number is not painted on the runway, the runway number published in the "U.S. Terminal Procedures" current at the time of the field survey shall be used.

#### 4.1. REQUIRED DATA FOR RUNWAYS AND STOPWAYS

Required data for SPHS and Non-SPHS runways and stopways are presented in Table 3.1. (Also see Figure 3.1).

TABLE 3.1
<b>REQUIRED RUNWAY/STOPWAY DATA</b>

RWY/STWY		
POINT	SPHS RWY	NON-SPHS RWY
AIRPORT ELEV	D/E	D/E
RUNWAY ENDS	P/E	P/N
INTERSECTION OF SPHS RWYS	D/E	N/N
DISPLACED THLDS	P/E	P/E*
TOUCHDOWN ZON	E N/E	N/N
STOPWAY ENDS	D/E	D/E
SUPPLEMENTAL PROFILE POINTS	D/E	N/N
POINT ABEAM GS	P/E	N/N
POINT ABEAM MLSEL	P/E	N/N
POINT ABEAM OFFSET LOC	P/N	N/N
POINT ABEAM OFFSET LDA	P/N	N/N
POINT ABEAM OFFSET SDF	P/N	N/N
POINT ABEAM OFFSET MLSAZ	P/N	N/N

C ELEVATION REQUIRED ONLY IF AN OBSTRUCTION SURVEY WAS PERFORMED

D = DISTANCE FROM RUNWAY'S : (1) NEAR END FOR AIRPORT ELEVATION, (2) APPROACH END FOR RUNWAY INTERSECTIONS AND SUPPLEMENTAL PROFILE POINTS, AND (3) STOP END FOR STOPWAYS

E = ELEVATION

N = POSITION, DISTANCE, OR ELEVATION NOT REQUIRED

P = LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE

A FACILITY IS CONSIDERED OFFSET IF LOCATED MORE THAN 10 FEET FROM THE RUNWAY CENTERLINE/CENTERLINE EXTENDED.

#### 5. NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

#### **ELECTRONIC NAVAIDS**

A position, and sometimes an elevation, depending on the navigational aid (NAVAID), shall be determined for selected electronic NAVAIDS associated with the airport. The horizontal and vertical survey points for electronic NAVAIDS are listed in Appendix 4. Survey data is required for NAVAIDS meeting all of the following three criteria: - The NAVAID is listed in Appendix 4. - The NAVAID is located within 10 nautical miles of the Airport Reference Point. - The NAVAID is associated with an instrument approach procedure for the airport being surveyed and the procedure is published in the United States Government flight information publication "U.S. Terminal Procedures" current at the time of the field survey. This requirement also applies to Airport Surveillance Radars.

If the NAVAID is also an obstruction, the obstruction requirements of Subsection 6 of this section also apply.

#### VISUAL NAVAIDS

Visual NAVAIDS are not required.

#### 6. OBSTRUCTIONS

#### **6.1. DEFINITION**

An obstruction, for purposes of this section, is any object that penetrates an ANA obstruction identification surface (OIS).

#### 6.2. OBSTRUCTION IDENTIFICATION SURFACES

#### PRECISION ANA

OIS dimensions for precision ANA surveys are presented in Table 3.2 through Table 3.5. and Figure 3.2 and Figure 3.3.

#### TABLE 3.2

## PRIMARY SURFACE PRECISION AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH

BEGINS	200 FT. ON APPROACH SIDE OF THRESHOLD
LENGTH	DISTANCE BETWEEN RUNWAY THRESHOLDS PLUS 400 FT.
WIDTH AT THRESHOLD	1,000 FT.
WIDTH AT THRESHOLD PLUS 200 FT.	1,000 FT.
SLOPE	SEE "ELEVATION" BELOW
ELEVATION	BETWEEN THRESHOLDS - ELEVATION OF NEAREST POINT ON RUNWAY CENTERLINE
	BEYOND THRESHOLD - ELEVATION OF RUNWAY CENTERLINE AT THRESHOLD

THE PRIMARY SURFACE IS A 1,000 FOOT WIDE RECTANGLE CENTERED ON THE RUNWAY CENTERLINE, BEGINNING 200 FEET ON THE APPROACH SIDE OF A RUNWAY THRESHOLD AND EXTENDING TO 200 FEET ON THE APPROACH SIDE OF THE OPPOSITE RUNWAY THRESHOLD.

#### TABLE 3.3

## APPROACH SURFACE PRECISION AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH

BEGINS 200 FT. ON APPROACH SIDE OF THRESHOLD (AT END OF PRIMARY SURFACE) LENGTH 50,000 FT. **BEGINNING WIDTH** 800 FT. WIDTH AT 50,000 FT. 4,400 FT. SLOPE 50:1 FOR FIRST 2,566 FT. THEN 34:1 TO END OF APPROACH SURFACE ELEVATION AT BEGINNING **ELEVATION OF THRESHOLD** ELEVATION AT 2,566 FT. 51.3 FT. ABOVE THRESHOLD ELEVATION AT 50,000 FT. 1,446.4 FT. ABOVE THRESHOLD

THE APPROACH SURFACE IS CENTERED ON THE RUNWAY CENTERLINE/CENTERLINE EXTENDED.

3.4.

#### **TABLE 3.4**

## APPROACH TRANSITION SURFACE PRECISION AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH

BEGINS	200 FT. ON APPROACH SIDE OF THRESHOLD
LENGTH	50,000 FT.
BEGINNING WIDTH	600 FT. (EACH SIDE OF APPROACH SURFACE)
WIDTH AT 50,000 FT.	6,376 FT. (EACH SIDE OF APPROACH SURFACE)
SLOPE	7:1 PERPENDICULAR TO RUNWAY CENTERLINE/CENTERLINE EXTENDED
TOP ELEVATION AT BEGINNING	85.7 FT. ABOVE THRESHOLD
TOP ELEVATION AT 2,566 FT.	179.4 FT. ABOVE THRESHOLD
TOP ELEVATION AT 50,000 FT.	2,357.3 FT. ABOVE THRESHOLD

TRANSITION SURFACES EXISTS ALONG THE ENTIRE LENGTH, AND ON EACH SIDE, OF THE APPROACH SURFACE. THE WIDTH AND SLOPE ARE MEASURED PERPENDICULAR TO THE RUNWAY CENTERLINE/CENTERLINE EXTENDED.

#### TABLE 3.5

## MISSED APPROACH SURFACE PRECISION AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH

BEGINS	1,300 FT. ON APPROACH SIDE OF THRESHOLD
LENGTH	7,800 FT.
BEGINNING WIDTH	2,333.3 FT.
WIDTH AT 7,800 FT.	6,200 FT.
SLOPE	40:1
ELEVATION AT BEGINNING	22 FT. ABOVE THRESHOLD
ELEVATION AT 7,800 FT.	217 FT. ABOVE THRESHOLD

THE MISSED APPROACH SURFACE IS CENTERED ON THE RUNWAY CENTERLINE/CENTERLINE EXTENDED.

#### NONPRECISION ANA

OIS dimensions for nonprecision ANA surveys are presented in Table 3.6 and Figure 3.4.

#### **TABLE 3.6**

## APPROACH SURFACE NONPRECISION AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH

BEGINS	TO BE DEVELOPED
LENGTH	TO BE DEVELOPED
WIDTH AT BEGINNING	TO BE DEVELOPED
WIDTH AT END	TO BE DEVELOPED
SLOPE	TO BE DEVELOPED
ELEVATION AT BEGINNING	TO BE DEVELOPED
ELEVATION AT END	TO BE DEVELOPED

#### 6.3. SPECIAL CASES

- Catenaries

In most cases, the position and elevation of supporting towers will adequately represent catenaries. These towers shall be treated as any other potential obstruction. However, if one, or both, towers are outside the limits of the obstruction surface, the catenary itself may become a significant obstruction. In these cases, a position and elevation shall be provided on the imaginary straight line connecting the tops of the two adjacent catenary support towers at the highest point within the obstruction surface. The elevation of this point shall be carried as an estimated maximum elevation (EME). - Vehicular Traverse Ways

In general, a vehicular traverse way shall be treated as any other obstruction, except that the appropriate vehicle height allowance must be included in the elevation. (See "Obstruction Exemptions" in this subsection for possible exemptions that may apply to vehicular traverse ways).

Vehicle Height Allowances follow:

Noninterstate roads	15 feet
Interstate roads	17 feet
Railroads	23 feet

#### - Mobile Obstructions

Representative obstructions that are mobile within a defined area (except vehicles on roads and railroads, and vessels which are treated under separate headings) shall have an estimated maximum elevation (EME) determined for each area. EME points shall be selected at: (1) the point nearest to the runway centerline at the threshold for primary surface penetrations, (2) the most penetrating point for approach surface penetrations, and (3) as appropriate to represent each mobile object area. (See Figure 3.10)

The word "MOBILE," which always implies an EME, shall be included in the object name, such as, "MOBILE CRANE."

- Obstructions Under Construction

Representative obstructions that are under construction shall be identified as being under construction, such as, "BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION." The elevation at the time of the survey shall be carried. However, if a construction crane extends above the feature under construction, it is necessary and sufficient to carry the elevation and position of the crane.

#### - Vessels

Because of uncertainties in determining maximum vessel heights, travel limits, and frequency of passage, vessel heights and locations shall not be provided. However, if a possible obstructing condition exists, an obstructing vessel caution shall be provided on ANA survey products cautioning that vessels may obstruct at certain times and that further investigation by the data user regarding maximum vessel height, travel limits, and frequency of passage is advised. This exemption does not apply to vessels that are permanently moored.

- Manmade Objects Equal to or Greater than 200 Feet Above Ground Level (AGL) The AGL elevation shall be determined for manmade objects equal to, or greater than, 200 feet AGL. The AGL shall be measured from the highest point of ground in contact with either the object or the structure on which the object rests. This AGL requirement applies only to representative objects that normally would be carried on ANA survey products and does not necessarily require measuring all 200+ AGL manmade objects in the survey area.

#### - Obstruction Exemptions

The following obstructions are not required to be measured or carried on ANA Conventional Landing products:

- Vegetation that is both obstructing by less than three feet and with a maximum cross sectional diameter no greater than one-half inch where transected by an obstruction surface.

- Annual vegetation, such as annual weeds, corn, millet, and sugar cane.

- Frangible objects under the control of airport authorities with locations fixed by function. Examples are runway and taxiway signs, and many approach light structures.

- Roads with restricted public access that are intended for airport/facility maintenance only. This exemption does not apply to airport service roads associated with other airport operations, such as, food, fuel, and freight transportation.

- Construction equipment and debris, including dirt piles and batch plants, that are: (1) temporary in nature, (2) under the control of airport authorities, and (3) located on airport property.

- Vessels. However, if a possible obstructing condition exists, an obstructing vessel caution shall be provided on ANA survey products cautioning that vessels may obstruct at certain times and that further investigation by the data user regarding maximum vessel height, travel limits, and frequency of passage is advised. This exemption does not apply to vessels that are permanently moored.

- Parked aircraft. The location and maximum elevation of individual parked aircraft cannot be determined and shall not be provided under ANA surveys. This exemption does not apply to aircraft that are permanently parked for display purposes.

#### **6.4. SELECTION**

Obstruction selection shall include a representation of objects that penetrated ANA OIS's at the time of the field survey. In addition, certain nonobstructing objects may be required in the first 2,566 feet of the approach area. The special cases that apply to obstructions (see Subsection 6.3) also apply to these required nonobstructing objects.

Required objects/obstructions include:

- Primary Surface (See Figure 3.5)

The highest obstruction on the approach side of the threshold.

In addition, for Category II and Category III approaches, the highest obstruction on each side of the runway centerline and between thresholds shall be determined. This requirement is in effect only when the approach has been specifically identified as a Category II or Category III by appropriate FAA authorities.

- Precision Approach Surfaces (See Figure 3.6 and Fig. 3.7)

The two most penetrating obstructions and the most penetrating man-made obstruction in the first 2,566 feet of an approach area.

The two highest objects that are within the first 2,566 feet of an approach area and also higher than the threshold. These objects may or may not penetrate the approach surface and may be nonobstructing EME points.

The highest obstruction between 2,566 feet and 10,000 feet of an approach area. This area is the first 7,434 feet of the 34:1 slope area.

The highest obstruction in the first 20,000 feet, in the first 30,000 feet, and in the first 40,000 feet of an approach area.

The highest obstruction in the approach area.

- Nonprecision Approach Surface (See Figure 3.4)

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- Transition Surfaces (See Figure 3.8)

The two highest obstruction in the first 2,566 feet (as measured along the runway centerline or centerline extended) of each transition area.

The highest obstruction in the first 10,000 feet, in the first 20,000 feet, in the first 30,000 feet, and in the first 40,000 feet of the each transition area.

The highest obstruction in each transition area.

- Missed Approach Surface (See Figure 3.9)

The highest obstruction and the most penetrating obstruction on each side of the runway centerline or centerline extended.

Note: obstructions may be EME points for obstructing mobile object areas. (See Figure 3.10)

In some cases, strict adherence to the object selection criteria listed above may result in congestion or inadequate obstruction representation. To minimize these situations, the following guidelines shall be followed in object selection:

- If objects that are required in the primary area or first 10,000 feet of an approach area are located within 100 feet of each other, the lower object may be omitted.

- If objects that are required outside the primary or first 10,000 of an approach area are located within 500 feet of each other, the lower object may be omitted. (Note: required primary or approach objects shall not be omitted because of the close proximity of higher objects outside of the primary or approach areas).

- When a required object is omitted because of congestion, a replacement object/objects shall be selected if possible that meets the spacing criteria.

- Occasionally, additional obstruction information may be useful in representing certain obstructing conditions. While rigorous selection criteria is not practical, information useful to obstruction clearing activities should be considered in the selection.

#### 7. PLANIMETRIC DETAIL

Planimetric detail is not required.

### 8. METEOROLOGICAL APPARATUS

Meteorological apparatus data is not required unless it is selected as a representative obstruction.

### 9. MISCELLANEOUS

#### AIRPORT REFERENCE POINT

The Airport Reference Point (ARP) shall be computed using the centerline end positions of all usable runways. However, since runways without specially prepared hard surfaces are often not required to be surveyed, the ARP position for these airports shall be approximate. The ARP shall be tagged with the year of the most recent runway end survey used in the ARP computation, such as, "ARP (1995)."

Procedures for computing ARP are presented in Appendix 2.

### **10. DATA DELIVERY**

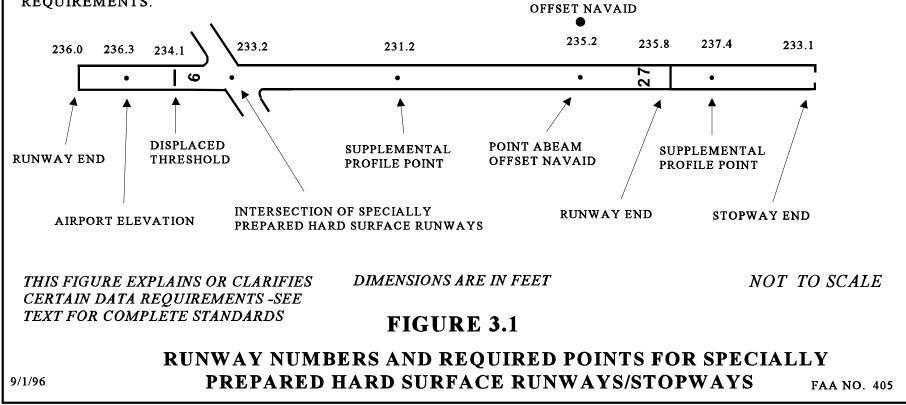
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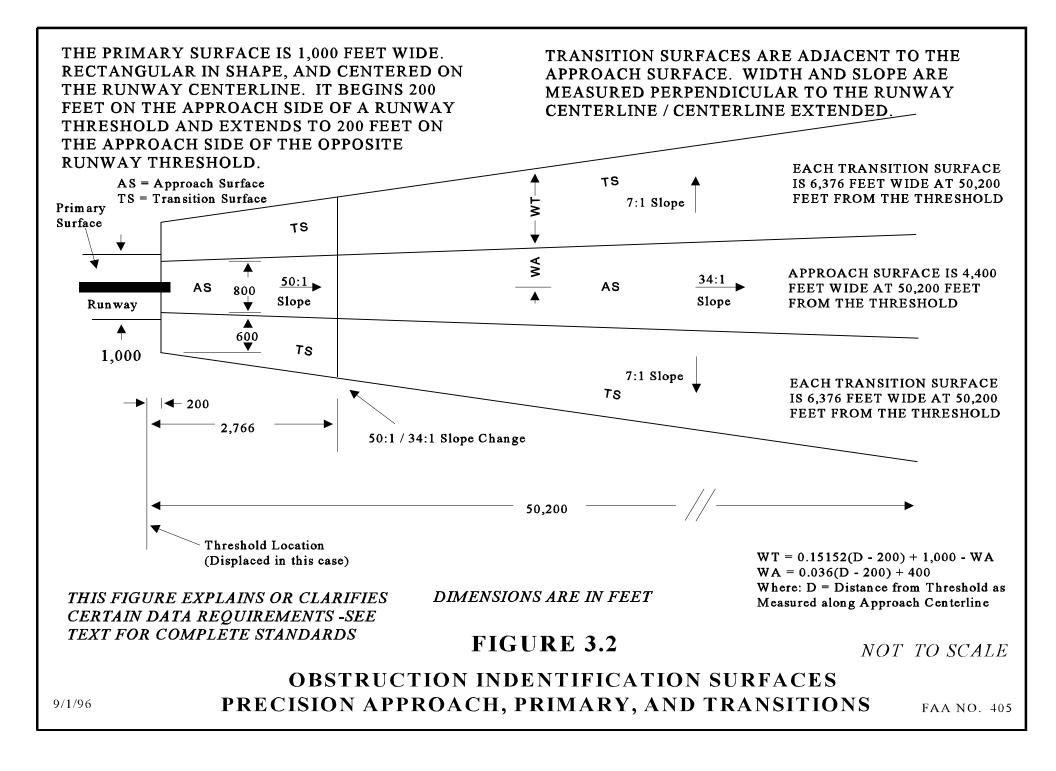
POSITIONS AND/OR ELEVATIONS (SEE TABLE 3.1) SHALL BE PROVIDED FOR: (1) RUNWAY ENDS, (2) DISPLACED THRESHOLDS, (3) TOUCHDOWN ZONES (ELEV ONLY), (4) RUNWAY INTERSECTIONS, (5) AIRPORT ELEVATION, (6) POINT ABEAM CERTAIN OFFSET NAVAIDS, AND (7) STOPWAY ENDS.

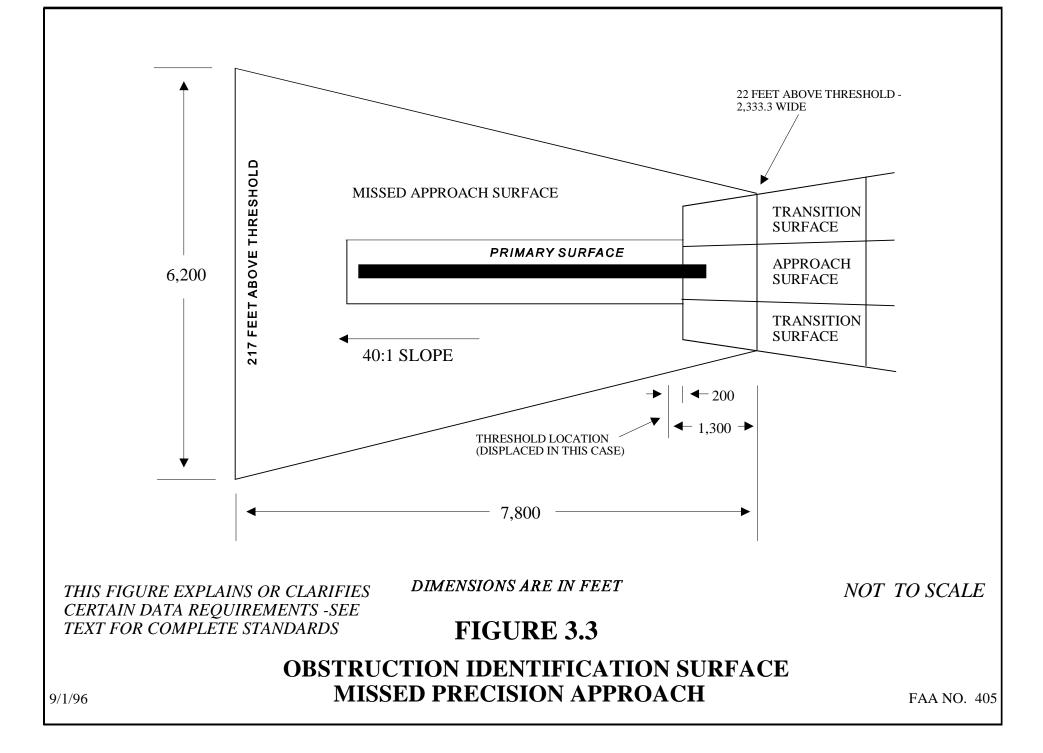
TOUCHDOWN ZONE ELEVATIONS ARE REQUIRED ONLY FOR SPECIALLY PREPARED HARD SURFACE RUNWAYS WITH A USABLE LANDING LENGTH OF AT LEAST 3,000 FEET.

SEE TEXT AND TABLE 3.1 FOR NON-SPECIALLY PREPARED HARD SURFACE RUNWAY/STOPWAY REQUIREMENTS. POSITIONS AND ELEVATIONS SHALL ALSO BE PROVIDED FOR SUPPLEMENTAL PROFILE POINTS, SELECTED SO THAT A STRAIGHT LINE BETWEEN ANY TWO ADJACENT PUBLISHED RUNWAY/STOPWAY POINTS WILL BE NO GREATER THAN ONE FOOT FROM THE RUNWAY/STOPWAY SURFACE.

RUNWAYS SHALL BE IDENTIFIED BY THE NUMBER PAINTED ON THE RUNWAY AT THE TIME OF THE FIELD SURVEY. IF A NUMBER IS NOT PAINTED ON THE RUNWAY, THE RUNWAY NUMBER PUBLISHED IN THE "U.S. TERMINAL PROCEDURES" CURRENT AT THE TIME OF THE FIELD SURVEY SHALL BE USED.







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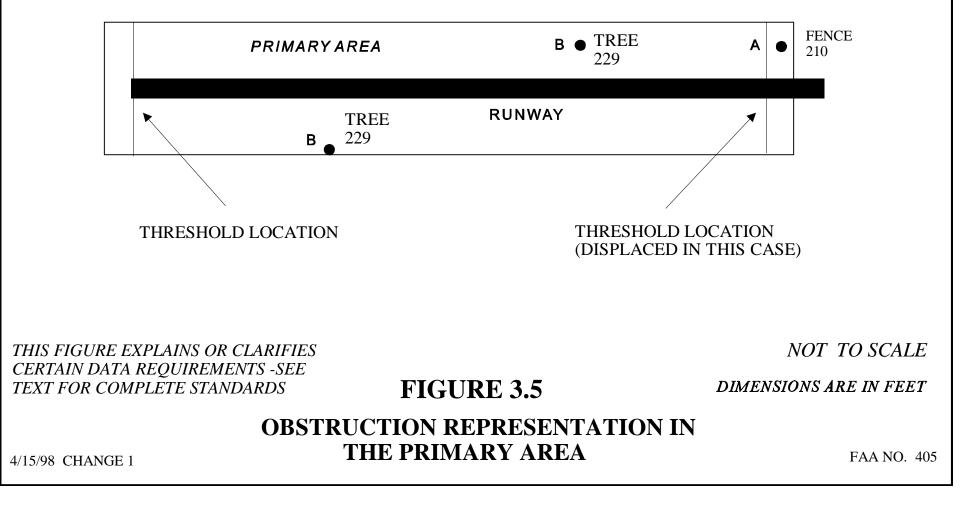
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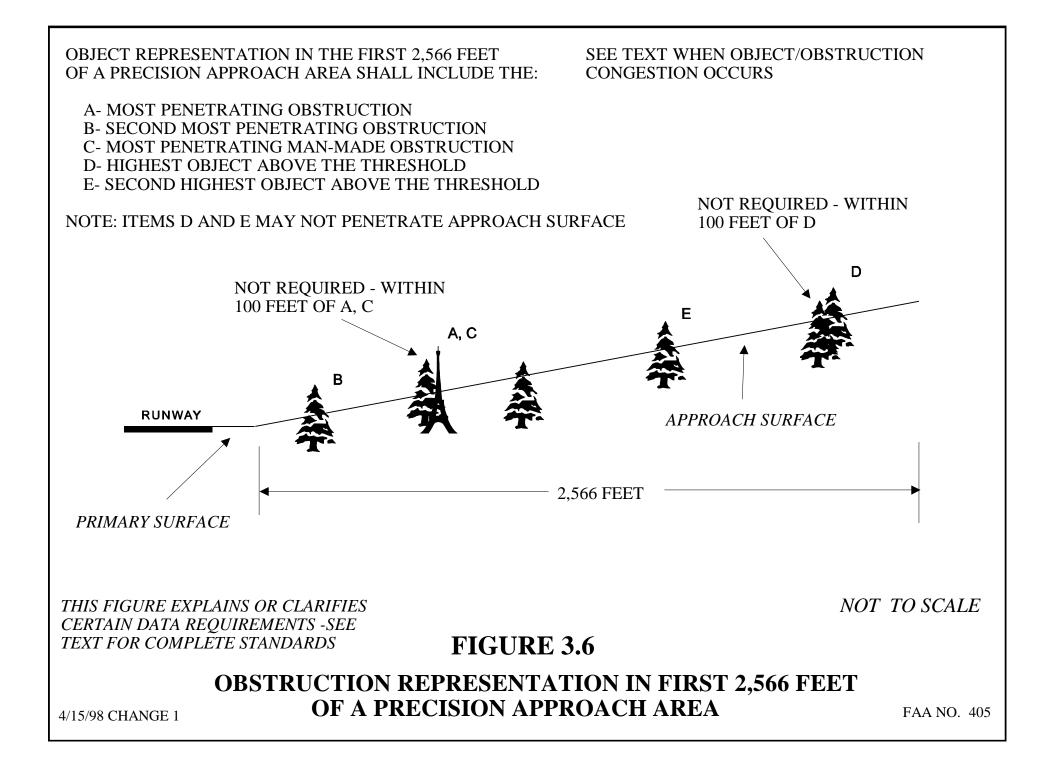
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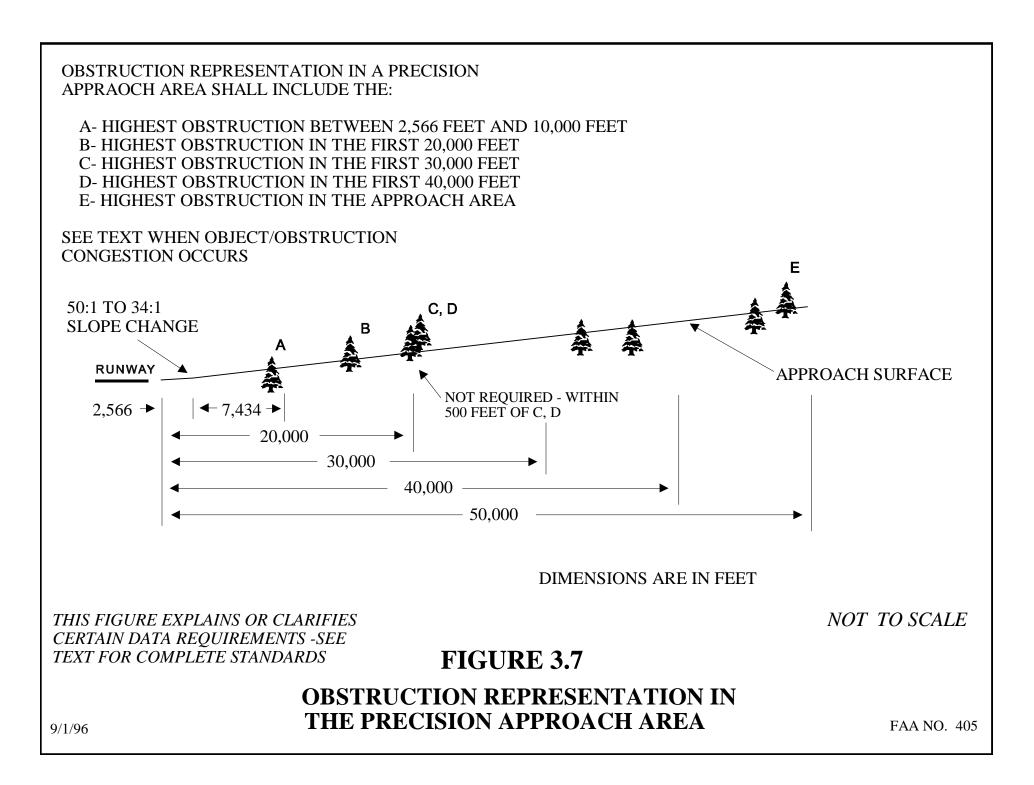
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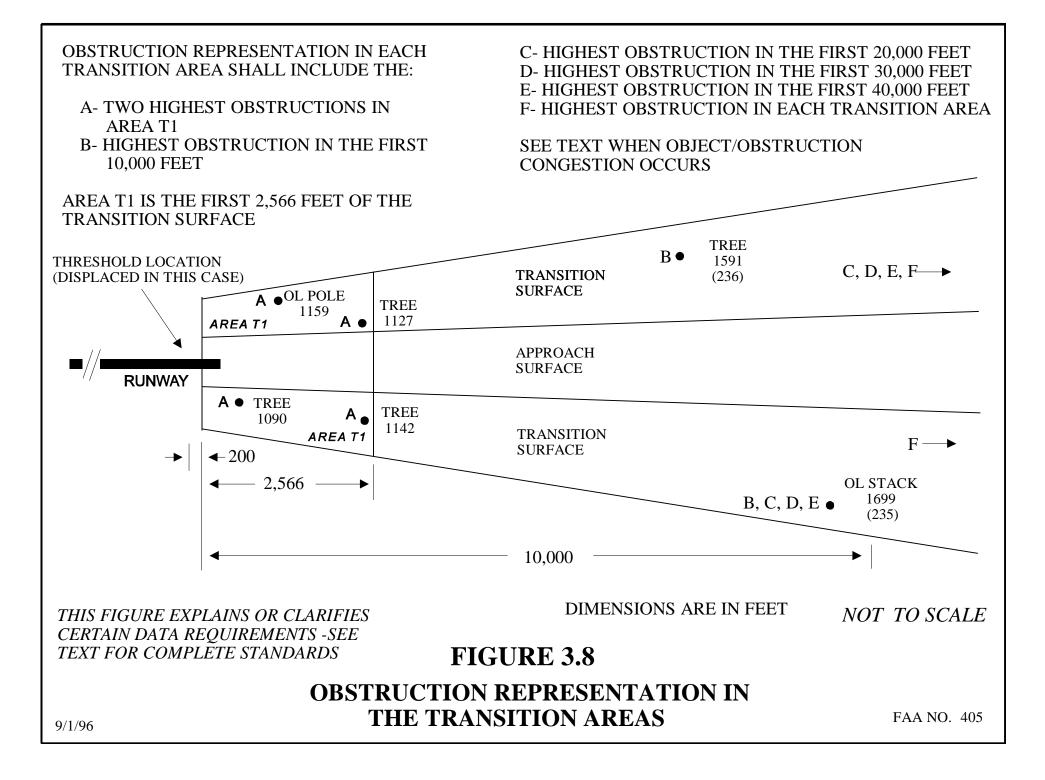


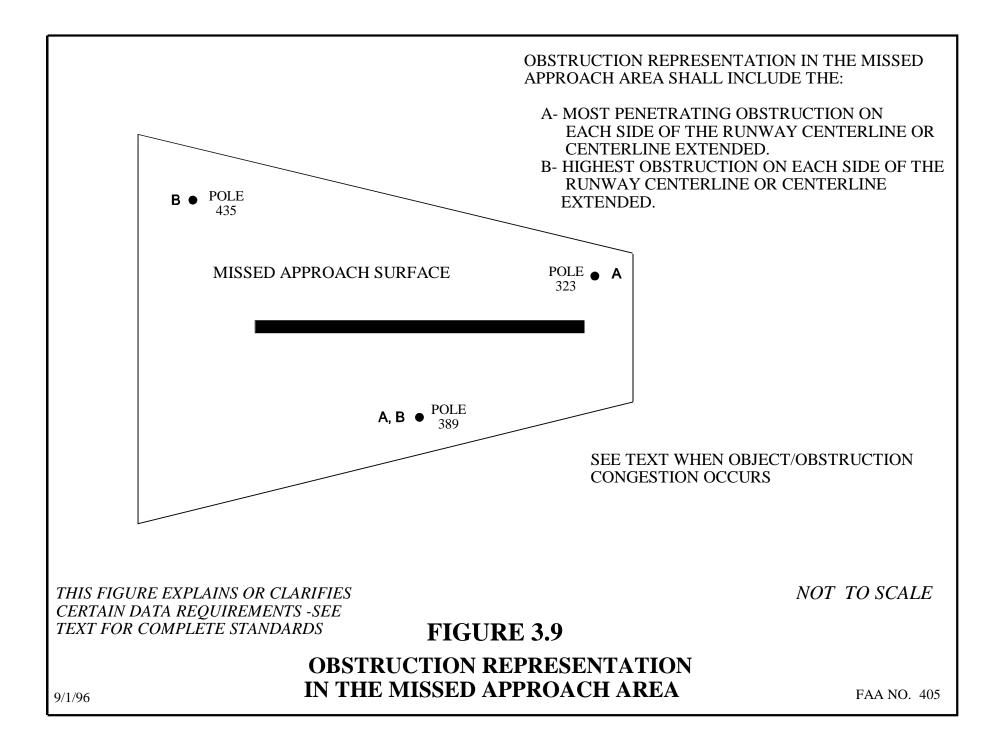
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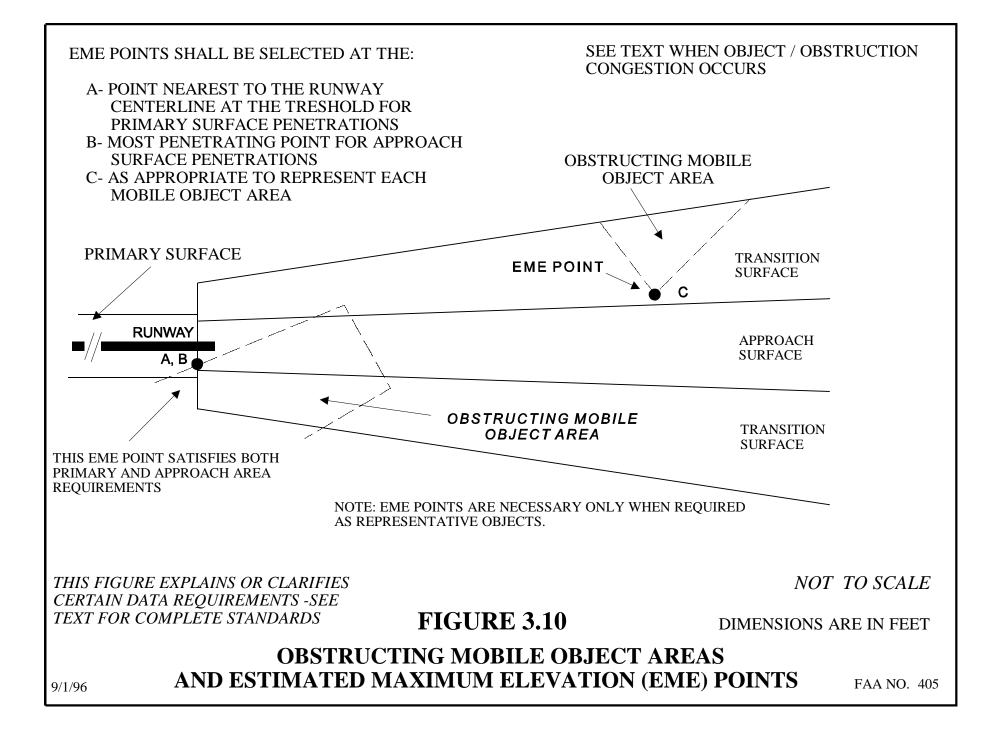
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# SECTION 4: AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH (VERTICAL LANDING ) SURVEYS

#### **1. DESCRIPTION**

Area Navigation Approach (ANA) (Vertical Landing) surveys provide data for the Heliport Reference Point (HRP) and associated obstructions to support precision and nonprecision instrument approach procedures development for vertical landing aircraft using area navigation systems, such as, GPS.

# 2. DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL

To Be Developed

#### **3. ACCURACIES**

To Be Developed

#### **4. HELIPORT REFERENCE POINT**

To Be Developed

#### **5. NAVIGATIONAL AIDS**

To Be Developed

#### 6. OBSTRUCTIONS

#### 6.1. **DEFINITION**

To Be Developed

# 6.2. OBSTRUCTION IDENTIFICATION SURFACE

See Table 4.1 and Figure 4.1

#### TABLE 4.1

#### **OBSTRUCTION IDENTIFICATION SURFACE**

BEGINS	TO BE DEVELOPED
LENGTH	TO BE DEVELOPED
WIDTH AT BEGINNING	TO BE DEVELOPED
WIDTH AT END	TO BE DEVELOPED
SURFACE SLOPE	TO BE DEVELOPED

#### 6.3. SPECIAL CASES

To Be Developed

#### 6.4. SELECTION

To Be Developed

## 7. PLANIMETRIC DETAIL

To Be Developed

# 8. METEOROLOGICAL APPARATUS

To Be Developed

## 9. MISCELLANEOUS

To Be Developed

## **10. DATA DELIVERY**

To Be Developed

# TO BE DEVELOPED

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FIGURE 4.1

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# **SECTION 5: SPECIAL PURPOSE SURVEYS**

#### **1. DESCRIPTION**

Special Purpose (SP) surveys provide selected data on an "as requested" basis. They typically furnish navigational aid (NAVAID) and runway information to support instrument approach procedure development. These surveys, which may be conducted entirely off airport property, are usually limited in extent with the particular survey requirements specified for each project.

# 2. DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL

Datum tie and local control requirements for all surveys accomplished in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are identified in Appendix 3.

#### **3. ACCURACIES**

Accuracy requirements for all data provided in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are identified in Appendix 5.

#### 4. RUNWAY AND STOPWAY POINTS

Runway/stopway data requirements will be identified in individual project instructions.

#### **5. NAVIGATIONAL AIDS**

Navigational aid requirements will be identified in individual project instructions.

#### 6. OBSTRUCTIONS

Obstruction requirements will be identified in individual project instructions.

#### 7. PLANIMETRIC DETAIL

Planimetric detail requirements will be identified in individual project instructions.

#### 8. METEOROLOGICAL APPARATUS

Meteorological apparatus requirements will be identified in individual project instructions.

#### 9. MISCELLANEOUS

Miscellaneous data requirements will be identified in individual project instructions.

#### **10. DATA DELIVERY**

SP survey data will be delivered in formats appropriate to the individual survey data and user requirements.

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# **SECTION 6: AIRPORT LAYOUT SURVEYS**

#### **1. DESCRIPTION**

Airport Layout (AL) surveys provide detailed runway, taxiway, and apron information in a digital format for use in safely guiding taxiing aircraft, especially in poor visibility conditions. These data can be converted to an Airport Surface Detection Equipment (ASDE) radar overlay allowing air traffic controllers to monitor and direct ground traffic, or to a moving map display in a GPS equipped aircraft cockpit to provide the crew with taxi guidance.

AL surveys also establish (if it does not exist) geodetic control in the airport vicinity consisting of permanent survey marks accurately connected to the National Spatial Reference System (NSRS). This control and the NSRS connection assures accurate relativity between surveyed points on the airport and between these points and other surveyed points in the National Airspace System (NAS), including the navigation satellites. In addition, this control supports not only AL surveys, but also future engineering activities, such as, runway/taxiway construction, NAVAID siting, obstruction clearing, road building, and other airport improvement projects.

# 2. DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL

Datum tie and local control requirements for all surveys accomplished in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are identified in Appendix 3.

### **3. ACCURACIES**

Accuracy requirements for all data provided in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are identified in Appendix 5.

#### 4. RUNWAY POINTS

To Be Developed

#### 5. NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

To Be Developed

#### 6. OBSTRUCTIONS

To Be Developed

#### 7. PLANIMETRIC DETAIL

To Be Developed

### 8. METEOROLOGICAL APPARATUS

To Be Developed

#### 9. MISCELLANEOUS

To Be Developed

#### **10. DATA DELIVERY**

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# SECTION 7: WIDE AREA AUGMENTATION SYSTEM SURVEYS

### **1. DESCRIPTION**

Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) surveys establish two permanent survey marks (PSM) at FAA WAAS sites and determine accurate positions and elevations for these marks. These PSM's provide initial geodetic control for WAAS implementation and later serve as permanent geodetic references.

The WAAS is a network of continuously operated, accurately located, GPS receivers and the associated data links which supply critical GPS data to aircraft, thereby enhancing navigation accuracy and integrity.

# 2. DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL

Datum tie and local control requirements for all surveys accomplished in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are identified in Appendix 3.

# **3. ACCURACIES**

Accuracy requirements for all data provided in accordance with FAA No. 405 specifications are identified in Appendix 5.

# 4. RUNWAY POINTS

Runway data is not required.

### 5. NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Navigational aid data is not required.

#### 6. OBSTRUCTIONS

Obstruction data is not required.

#### 7. PLANIMETRIC DETAIL

Planimetric detail is not required.

### 8. METEOROLOGICAL APPARATUS

Meteorological apparatus is not required.

#### 9. MISCELLANEOUS

None

#### **10. DATA DELIVERY**

WAAS data will be delivered in formal, hard copy reports.

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**SUBSECTION** 

# **SECTION 8: AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY**

### **1. DESCRIPTION**

Aerial photographs are acquired to support several aeronautical surveys, including the Airport Obstruction Chart (AOC), Area Navigation Approach, and Airport Layout surveys. Contact scale, film type, and other parameters may vary depending on the specific application. When changes from these standards are necessary, the change will be specified in individual project instructions.

#### 2. EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS

#### 2.1. CAMERA

The aerial camera shall meet the following specifications:

- Single lens metric camera with quality equivalent to or better than a Wild RC8 or Zeiss RMK-A 15/23
- 9 inch x 9 inch format
- Between-the-lens, variable speed shutter
  - Six inch (153  $\pm$ 3 mm) focal length lens having a usable angular field not less than 90 degrees.

- Minimum resolution of 15 lines/mm with an Area Weighted Average Resolution (AWAR) not less than 55 lines/mm. Tangential distortion shall not exceed 0.010 mm and radial distortion shall not exceed 0.030 mm.

- Equipped with a vacuum or pressure devise for holding film flat against a platen at the instant of exposure. Platen departure from a true plane shall not exceed 0.0005 inch. - Record on each exposure at least 8 fiducial marks. Fiducial marks shall be located in each corner of the format and at the center of each side.

- Record on each exposure a clock displaying correct coordinated universal time.
- Record on each exposure the lens identification number and focal length.
- Recording a level bubble on each exposure is desirable but not required.

In addition to the specific camera requirements, a certificate of calibration, no older than three years, shall be maintained. Any disturbance of the camera that will affect its calibration automatically voids the calibration certificate.

#### 2.2. FILM

Film shall be Kodak Plus X 2402, Aerographic AGFA Pan 150 PE, or equivalent. The use of "equivalent" films require prior approval by appropriate FAA officials. Film shall be shipped and handled in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations.

#### **3. FLYING HEIGHT**

Flying height shall vary depending on the application. Flying height variation shall not exceed 2 percent of the target height.

# 4. WEATHER, SOLAR ALTITUDE, AND TIME OF YEAR

No clouds or cloud shadows shall appear on the photographs. Overcast shall be permitted above the

flying altitude if it does not cause ground mottling or a discernable reduction in ground object shadows. Sun angle shall not be less than 30 degrees above the horizon.

Photography shall be obtained at a time of year when trees are in full foliage.

### 5. NAVIGATION

Flight line deviation from its target ground track shall not exceed X, where X =flying height in feet/20.

Flight lines may be patched. The patched portion shall be flown in the same nominal direction and under similar physical conditions as the original line.

### 6. TILT

Tilt shall not exceed four (4) degrees for any photographic frame and shall average not more than two (2) degrees for any ten (10) consecutive frames. The average tilt for the entire project shall not exceed one (1) degree. Relative tilt exceeding six (6) degrees between any two successive frames may be cause for rejecting that portion of the flight line.

# 7. CRAB

Crab angle as measured from the average line of flight shall not exceed five (5) degrees. The course heading differential between any two successive exposures shall not exceed five (5) degrees.

### 8. OVERLAP AND SIDELAP

Forward overlap shall be 60 percent  $\pm$  5 percent between consecutive exposures. The average sidelap (overlap of parallel strips of vertical photographs) shall be 30 percent  $\pm$  10 percent. Any frame having sidelap less than 20 percent or more than 40 percent may be rejected.

### 9. PHOTOGRAPH LABELING

Each usable frame shall be titled within the image area between 1/16 inch and 1/4 inch from the format border using machine lettering approximately 1/5 inch high. Each title shall consist of the agency's initials ("NOS" for National Ocean Service), date of photography, camera identifier ("X" shall be used to indicate a contractor's camera), film type ("P" for panchromatic), lens serial number, and exposure number.

Example: NOS 06-23-90 XP UAG332 No 1501

The title may be along any edge of the frame but the preferred location is along the leading edge. The location shall be consistent for all photographs under this contract.

For each lens system used, usable exposures shall be numbered in an unbroken sequence starting at 0001 for the first exposure and continuing through the last exposure by that lens system. The numbering sequence shall not be broken even though more than one airport is photographed, more than one roll of film is used, or the film is spliced.

If splicing is performed, tape residue, finger prints, and other blemishes from the splicing shall be avoided.

Blanks and other unusable exposures shall not be included in the exposure numbering sequence and shall not be labeled.

Film exposed by different lens systems shall not be spliced onto the same roll.

### **10. FILM PROCESSING**

Original film negative shall be processed to a gamma of  $0.95 \pm 0.05$  for Kodak Plus X 2402 and  $1.25 \pm 0.05$  for AGFA Pan 150 PE. Base fog density for both films shall not exceed 0.10 with a minimum density above base fog of 0.30 and a maximum density above base fog of 1.35. Processing of "equivalent" films shall be in accordance with the Chief, Photogrammetry Branch, National Geodetic Survey.

A standard reference sensitometric step wedge shall be exposed near the beginning of each film roll.

# **11. IMAGE QUALITY**

Image quality on the original negative film and on all copies shall meet the highest professional standards. Dark areas shall not bleed together and individual objects shall be readily discernable. Detail shall be sufficiently sharp to allow photogrammetric measurement of tree heights, compilation of runway/taxiway edges and other fine map features, and accomplishment of other intended uses for the film. Photographic products shall also be free of blemishes, scratches, tears, and irregularities.

# **APPENDIX 1**

# UNIVERSAL DATA DELIVERY FORMAT (UDDF)

# APPENDIX 1: UNIVERSAL DATA DELIVERY FORMAT (UDDF)

The Universal Data delivery Format (UDDF) is a digital delivery system which provides airport, runway, navigational aid, obstruction, and additional information in a standard ASCII format. This information can be easily down loaded into user data files and data bases.

UDDF files are organized into the following five sections::

-Airport Data

Furnishes airport location identifier and site number, FAA region, airport name and associated city and state, survey datums, magnetic declination, and other airport related information.

-Runway Data

Furnishes runway, stopway, and blast pad information.

-Navigational Aid Data

Furnishes navigational aid information, including computed distances between NAVAIDS and selected runway points.

-Obstruction data

Furnishes obstruction information, including computed distances from, and heights above selected runway points.

-Additional Information

Furnishes miscellaneous information that cannot be logically included with the other data, such as, "nice to know" and special information that concerns the airport or an individual UDDF file.

UDDF information, including a complete documentation and access instructions, can be obtained by calling the National Geodetic Survey Information Branch at 301-713-3242 or by accessing the following Internet address:

http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/AERO/aero.html

# **APPENDIX 2**

# AIRPORT REFERENCE POINT COMPUTATION

# APPENDIX 2: AIRPORT REFERENCE POINT COMPUTATION

The Airport Reference Point (ARP) is the approximate geometric center of all usable runways. The ARP position computation is somewhat similar to a center of mass computation, except that only two dimensions are considered. The datums used in the computations are normally selected as the lowest absolute value latitude and longitude coordinates, respectively, of all runway ends used in the computation. This convention eliminates computing with negative moments.

- ARP<sub>LAT</sub> = LATITUDE DATUM + (SUM OF RUNWAY MOMENTS ABOUT THE LATITUDE DATUM/SUM OF RUNWAY LENGTHS)
- ARP<sub>LON</sub> = LONGITUDE DATUM + (SUM OF RUNWAY MOMENTS ABOUT THE LONGITUDE DATUM/SUM OF RUNWAY LENGTHS)

RUNWAY MOMENT ABOUT THE LATITUDE DATUM = RUNWAY GROUND LENGTH TIMES THE DISTANCE IN SECONDS BETWEEN THE APPROXIMATE RUNWAY CENTER POINT\* AND THE LATITUDE DATUM

RUNWAY MOMENT ABOUT THE LONGITUDE DATUM = RUNWAY GROUND LENGTH TIMES THE DISTANCE IN SECONDS BETWEEN THE APPROXIMATE RUNWAY CENTER POINT\* AND THE LONGITUDE DATUM

RUNWAY COORDINATES MUST BE ENTERED AS ABSOLUTE VALUES.

RUNWAY LENGTHS MUST BE ENTERED AS GROUND LENGTH, ROUNDED TO THE NEAREST WHOLE FOOT.

\* THE APPROXIMATE RUNWAY CENTER POINT IS THE MEAN OF THE LATITUDES AND LONGITUDES OF A RUNWAY'S ENDS. THIS CONVENTION ELIMINATES THE NEED FOR COMPLEX GEODETIC FORMULAS TO COMPUTE THE PRECISE RUNWAY CENTER POINT, THUS ALLOWING SIMPLE AND CONSISTENT ARP COMPUTATIONS AFTER ONLY BRIEF INSTRUCTIONS.

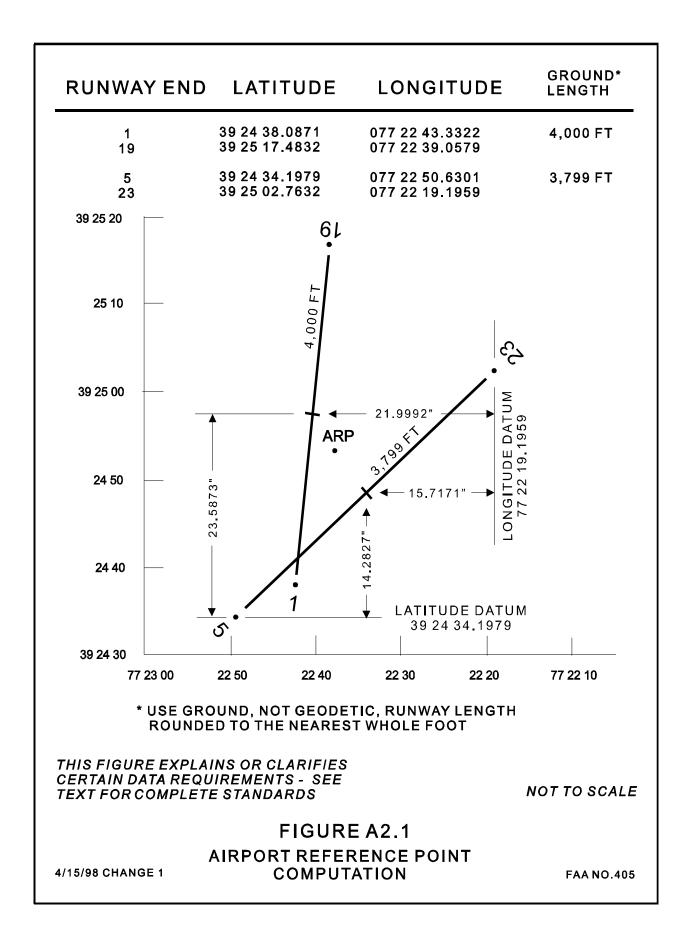
A SAMPLE ARP COMPUTATION FOLLOWS (SEE FIGURE A2.1):

APPROXIMATE RUNWAY CENTER PTS:

RWY 1/19 LAT = 39 24 57.7852 LON = 77 22 41.1951 RWY 5/23 LAT = 39 24 48.4806 LON = 77 22 34.9130

- $ARP_{LAT} = 39 24 34.1979 + (4,000 FT(23.5873 SEC) + 3,799 FT(14.2827 SEC))/7,799 FT$ = 39 24 34.1979 + 19.0549 SEC = 39 24 53.3
- $ARP_{LON} = 77\ 22\ 19.1959 + (4,000\ FT(21.9992\ SEC) + 3,799\ FT(15.7171\ SEC))/7,799\ FT$ = 77\ 22\ 19.1959 + 18.9391\ SEC

= 77 22 38.1



# **APPENDIX 3**

# DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL

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# DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL

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# **APPENDIX 3: DATUM TIE AND LOCAL CONTROL**

### 1. GENERAL

#### **1.1. TERMINOLOGY**

As used in this appendix, the term "observation" means the survey observations that result in a position and/or elevation for the survey mark in question, whether the mark is an existing mark or a newly set mark. The term "set" means physically constructed. A mark may be set at one time and be observed for position and/or elevation at a later time.

#### **1.2. DATUMS**

Surveys accomplished in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards shall be tied to the National Spatial Reference System (NSRS). Positions and ellipsoid heights shall be referenced to the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83) which is operationally equivalent to, and may be used as, World Geodetic System of 1984 (WGS 84) values for charting and navigation purposes. Orthometric heights (MSL elevations) shall be referenced to the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88).

#### **1.3. MARK STAMPING**

Reference stations set at Wide Area Augmentation System sites, Heliport Reference Points set at Area Navigation Approach - Vertical Landing sites, and Primary Airport Control Stations and Secondary Airport Control Stations set at airports shall have unique stampings.

Marks set at a site without an FAA site identifier shall be stamped with a name that characterizes the mark location plus the year the mark was set, such as, "KNOLL 1994". Marks set at a site with an official FAA site identifier shall be stamped with that identifier, followed by a sequential letter, followed by the year the mark was set. The sequential letter shall be assigned in the chronological order that the mark was set. For example, the first mark set at the Boston Air Route Traffic Control Center at Nashua, New Hampshire, during the 1994 survey would be stamped "ZBW A 1994". The second mark set in 1994 would be "ZBW B 1994".

If marks using this stamping convention already exist, the sequential letter for the next mark should use the next letter after the existing letters. For example, if "K78 B 1995" already exist, the next mark set in 1995 would be stamped "K78 C 1995". If this next mark was set in 1996, it would be stamped "K78 C 1996".

If a previously set mark used a letter in another stamping convention, such as, "AP STA A 1984", the next mark would be stamped disregarding the existing "A". A stamping of "K78 A 1995" for the next mark set at this airport would be appropriate.

Stampings of destroyed or presumed destroyed marks shall not be reused.

Previous stampings will never be changed or added to, even if the FAA site identifier changes.

All letters shall be capitals.

#### **1.4. ACCURACIES**

Accuracy requirements for all data provided in accordance with FAA No. 405 standards are listed in Appendix 5.

# 2. AIRPORT SURVEYS

#### 2.1. GENERAL

Surveys included under this section are surveys accomplished on, or in the vicinity of, an airport and specifically intended to support aircraft operations at that airport. These surveys include: Airport Obstruction Chart (AOC); Area Navigation Approach (ANA) -Conventional Landing; and Airport Layout (AL). Requirements for Special Purpose surveys are identified in Section 5 of this appendix.

Three permanent survey marks (PSM) shall be established on, or within one km of, the airport. One of these marks shall be designated the Primary Airport Control Station (PACS). Horizontal and vertical datum ties shall be made directly between the PACS and the NSRS. The other two marks shall be designated Secondary Airport Control Stations (SACS). Horizontal and vertical connections shall be made directly between the SACS and the PACS.

Existing stations may be used as the PACS and SACS if they meet the accuracy, siting, construction, and other criteria identified in this appendix and Appendix 5.

#### 2.2. CONTROL STATION SITING

PACS shall be established in a secure area on airport property. A GPS suitable site should be selected where surveying equipment may be left unattended at the mark with a minimum probability of disturbance.

SACS should be established on airport property if practical. However, if the siting requirements, such as, intervisibility and spacing as described below, cannot be met, one SACS may be set off the airport but no further than 1 km from the nearest airport boundary.

If establishing the PACS and SACS requires new monumentation, the new monuments should be set no closer than 60 meters from a runway edge, if practical.

If an existing control station is used, this station should be at least 15 meters from a runway edge. In all cases, PACS and/or SACS should be at least 400 meters apart.

PACS and SACS should be located so that a surveying tripod can be situated over the mark. In addition, if the mark could be in peril from snow removal, mowing, and other operations, it should be slightly recessed.

PACS and SACS should be strategically located so as to provide maximum use for subsequent surveys yet situated where the chances of future disturbance will be minimal. An elevated site with runway end visibility is desirable. PACS and SACS should also be located where future station occupation will cause no interference to or from aircraft, including from prop and jet blast. The sight path between stations over paved areas should be minimized.

Intervisibility choices for PACS and SACS are:

#### FIRST CHOICE

The PACS and both SACS are all intervisible with each other.

#### SECOND CHOICE

The PACS is intervisible with both SACS but the SACS are not intervisible with each other.

#### THIRD CHOICE

The PACS is intervisible with one SACS and both SACS are intervisible with each other.

#### 2.3. CONTROL STATION CONSTRUCTION

PACS and SACS construction shall meet mark stability standards as defined by the National Geodetic Survey, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, for Federal Base Network stations.

#### - PACS

Stability "A" or "B." In addition, stability "C" is acceptable if, and only if, the monument: (1) already exists, (2) is poured in place concrete, (3) is a triangulation station, reference mark, azimuth mark, or bench mark stamped "U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey", or any mark stamped "National Geodetic Survey", (4) is set below the frost line, (5) is set in nonexpansive soils, and (6) shows no evidence of movement.

- SACS

Stability "A," "B," or "C."

#### **3. HELIPORT SURVEYS**

#### **3.1. GENERAL**

Surveys included under this section are all surveys accomplished on, or in the vicinity of, heliports and specifically intended to support aircraft operations at that heliport. These surveys include the Area Navigation Approach (ANA) - Vertical Landing surveys.

#### **3.2. CONTROL STATION SITING**

To Be Developed

#### 3.3. CONTROL STATION CONSTRUCTION

To Be Developed

# 4. WIDE AREA AUGMENTATION SYSTEM SURVEYS

#### 4.1. GENERAL

Surveys included under this section are all surveys specifically intended to support the Wide Area Augmentation System. Two PSM's shall be established at each WAAS site. These marks are called WAAS reference stations. Horizontal and vertical datums ties shall be made directly between NSRS and one of the reference stations. To ensure the required relative accuracy between the two reference stations, direct horizontal and vertical ties shall be made between the two stations.

Existing marks may be used as the WAAS reference stations if they meet the accuracy, siting, construction, and other criteria identified in this appendix and Appendix 5.

#### 4.2. CONTROL STATION SITING

While there are no separation or intervisibility requirements for WAAS reference stations, other siting guidelines apply. If practical, one station should be established in a secure area and the other established in a public access area. Neither station should be further than 1 km from the WAAS antenna site. They should be established where the chances of future disturbance will be minimal and be sufficiently separated to reduce the probability that both marks would be destroyed by the same construction project.

In addition, both stations should be located where they have maximum practical sky visibility above 15 degrees above the horizon.

#### 4.3. CONTROL STATION CONSTRUCTION

WAAS reference station construction shall meet mark stability "A" or "B" standards as defined by the National Geodetic Survey, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, for Federal Base Network stations.

### **5. SPECIAL PURPOSE SURVEYS**

Special Purpose (SP) surveys provide selected data on an "as requested" basis. They typically furnish navigational aid (NAVAID) and runway information to support instrument approach procedure development. These surveys, which may be conducted entirely off airport property, are usually limited in extent, with the particular survey requirements specified for each project. The datum ties for SP surveys shall be in accordance with Section 1.2. of this appendix. Control station requirements, including mark stamping, siting, and construction will be specified for each project.

# **APPENDIX 4**

# NAVIGATIONAL AID SURVEY POINTS

# **APPENDIX 4: NAVIGATIONAL AID SURVEY POINTS**

NAVAID	HORZ SURVEY POINT (HSP)	VERT SURVEY POINT (VSP)
AIR ROUTE SURVEILLANCE RADAR (ARSR)	(1)	(2)
AIRPORT SURVEILLANCE RADAR (ASR)	(1)	(2)
DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT (DME) (3)	CENTER OF ANTENNA COVER	CENTER OF ANTENNA COVER
LOCALIZER (LOC) (4)	CENTER OF ANTENNA SUPPORTING STRUCTURE	(2)
GLIDE SLOPE - ALL EXCEPT END FIRE TYPE (GS)	CENTER OF ANTENNA SUPPORTING STRUCTURE	(2)
GLIDE SLOPE - END FIRE TYPE (GS)	PHASE CENTER REFERENCE POINT	PHASE CENTER REFERENCE PT.
INNER MARKER (IM)	CENTER OF ANTENNA ARRAY	N/A
MIDDLE MARKER (MM)	CENTER OF ANTENNA ARRAY	N/A
OUTER MARKER (OM)	CENTER OF ANTENNA ARRAY	N/A
BACK COURSE MARKER (BCM)	CENTER OF ANTENNA ARRAY	N/A
FAN MARKER (FM)	CENTER OF ANTENNA ARRAY	N/A
LOCALIZER TYPE DIRECTIONAL AID (LDA)	CENTER OF ANTENNA SUPPORTING STRUCTURE	(2)
MLS AZIMUTH GUIDANCE (MLSAZ)	PHASE CENTER REFERENCE POINT	PHASE CENTER REFERENCE PT.

### NAVIGATIONAL AID SURVEY POINTS CONT.

NAVAID	HORZ SURVEY POINT (HSP)	VERT SURVEY POINT (VSP)
MLS ELEVATION GUIDANCE (MLSEL)	PHASE CENTER REFERENCE POINT	PHASE CENTER REFERENCE PT.
NONDIRECTIONAL BEACON (NDB)	CENTER OF ANTENNA ARRAY	N/A
SIMPLIFIED DIRECTIONAL FACILITY (SFD)	CENTER OF ANTENNA SUPPORTING STRUCTURE	(2)
TACTICAL AIR NAVIGATION (TACAN)	CENTER OF ANTENNA COVER	(2)
VHF OMNI DIRECTIONAL RANGE (VOR)	CENTER OF ANTENNA COVER	(2)
VOR/ TACAN (VORTAC)	CENTER OF ANTENNA COVER	(2)

#### EXPLANATION OF CODE NUMBERS IN PARENTHESIS

(1) The HSP will be the axis of antenna rotation if possible. If the antenna is covered, the HSP will be the center of the antenna cover.

(2) The VSP for these items will be the intersection of the ground, gravel, concrete pad, or other base and a plumb line through the HSP. When access to this point is impractical, elevation of the VSP will be approximated.

(3) DME elevations are required only when the DME is frequency paired with an Instrument Landing System or Microwave Landing System.

(4) When LOC clearance and course array antennas are both present, only the course array antenna will be surveyed.

NOTE: A compass locator within 50 feet of an Instrument Landing System marker is considered collocated at the position of the marker. Other NAVAIDS are not considered collocated unless their HSP's are the same.

# **APPENDIX 5**

# ACCURACIES

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# **APPENDIX 5: ACCURACIES**

### **1. GENERAL**

Accuracy standards for data provided under FAA No. 405 are presented in this appendix. Requirements for digital and graphic data are listed separately.

When an object is selected for its obstruction value only (for example, meteorological apparatus), obstruction accuracies apply.

All accuracies are listed in feet except control station accuracies which are listed in centimeters and graphic accuracies which are listed in millimeters on the graphic.

All accuracies are stated for a 95 percent confidence level.

The following contractions are used throughout FAA No. 405 and are repeated here for convenience:

AGL	- Above Ground Level
ELLIP	- Ellipsoid
HORZ	- Horizontal
HRP	- Heliport Reference Point
ORTHO	- Orthometric
PACS	- Primary Airport Control Station
SACS	- Secondary Airport Control Station

# 2. DIGITAL ACCURACIES

Digital data is construed as any data furnished as digits, regardless of the delivery medium. FAA No. 405 digital accuracy standards are presented in the tables that follow.

#### **2.1. CONTROL STATIONS**

			VERT	ICAL	
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN CENTIMETERS)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL
PRIMARY A	STATION (PACS) <sup>1</sup>	5	25	15	N/A
	RY AIRPORT STATION (SACS) <sup>2</sup>	3	5	4	N/A
	EA AUGMENTATION WAAS) REFERENCE STATION <sup>1</sup>	5	10	10	N/A
	EA AUGMENTATION WAAS) REFERENCE STATION <sup>3</sup>	1	0.2	2	N/A

<sup>1</sup> ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE NEAREST NATIONAL GEODETIC SURVEY SANCTIONED CONTINUOUSLY OPERATING REFERENCE STATION

<sup>2</sup> ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE PACS AND OTHER SACS AT THE AIRPORT

<sup>3</sup> ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE OTHER WAAS REFERENCE STATION AT THE SITE

#### **2.2. HELIPORT REFERENCE POINT**

		VERTICAL				
(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL		
	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	(VALUES ARE IN FEET) HORZ		(VALUES ARE IN FEET)HORZVERTICALORTHOELLIP		

#### HELIPORT REFERENCE POINT ACCURACY STANDARDS ARE TO BE DEVELOPED

#### 2.3. METEOROLOGICAL APPARATUS

			VERTICAL		
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL

THE HORIZONTAL ACCURACY IS 20 FEET WHEN LOCATED ON A PUBLIC USE AIRPORT OR MILITARY FIELD AND 50 FEET FOR ALL OTHER LOCATIONS. ELEVATIONS ARE NOT REQUIRED.

ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE NEAREST PACS, SACS, OR HRP

2.4. MISCELLANEOUS

		VERTICAL		ICAL		
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL	
AIRPORT REFERENCE POINT		1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	
FLOOR OF CON	TROL TOWER CAB	N/A	1.00	1.00	N/A	

ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE NEAREST PACS, SACS, OR HRP

		VERTICAL				
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL	
ELECTRO	NIC NAVAIDS					
AIR ROUTE	E SURVEILLANCE RADAR (ARSR)	(1)	100.00	100.00	N/A	
AIRPORT S	URVEILLANCE RADAR (ASR)	(1)	10.00	10.00	N/A	
DISTANCE	MEASURING EQUIPMENT (DME):					
FREQU	ENCY PAIRED WITH LOC	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A	
FREQU	ENCY PAIRED WITH MLSAZ	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A	
FREQU	ENCY PAIRED WITH NDB	(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A	
FREQU	ENCY PAIRED WITH VOR	(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A	
NOT FI	REQUENCY PAIRED	(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A	
FAN MARK	ER (FM)	(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A	
LOCALIZE	R (LOC)	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A	
GLIDE SLO	PE (GS)	1.00	0.25	0.20	N/A	
INNER MAI	RKER (IM)	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	
MIDDLE M	ARKER (MM)	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	
OUTER MA	RKER (OM)	50.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	
BACK COU	RSE MARKER (BCM)	50.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	
LOCALIZE	R TYPE DIRECTIONAL AID (LDA)	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A	
MLS AZIMU	UTH GUIDANCE (MLSAZ)	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A	
MLS ELEVA	ATION GUIDANCE (MLSEL)	1.00	0.25	0.20	N/A	

### 2.5. NAVIGATIONAL AIDS CONT.

			VERT	ICAL	
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL
NONDIRECT	YIONAL BEACON (NDB)	(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A
SIMPLIFIED	DIRECTIONAL FACILITY (SDF)	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A
TACTICAL A	AIR NAVIGATION (TACAN)	(1)	100.00	100.00	N/A
VHF OMNI E	DIRECTIONAL RANGE (VOR)	(1)	100.00	100.00	N/A
VOR/TACAN	(VORTAC)	(1)	100.00	100.00	N/A
VISUAL NAVAIDS					
AIRPORT BE	EACON	(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A
VISUAL GLI	DESLOPE INDICATORS	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
REIL		20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
APPROACH	LIGHTS	20.00	N/A	N/A	N/A

THE HORIZONTAL ACCURACY REQUIREMENT FOR ITEMS CODED "(1)" IS 20 FEET WHEN LOCATED ON A PUBLIC USE AIRPORT OR MILITARY FIELD, AND 50 FEET FOR ALL OTHER LOCATIONS.

ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE NEAREST PACS, SACS, OR HRP.

### **2.6. OBSTRUCTIONS**

### AIRPORT OBSTRUCTION CHART SURVEYS

		VERTICAL			
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL
LESS THAN	ADE OBJECTS, AND MAN-MADE OBJECTS 200 FT. AGL, THAT PENETRATE THE G OBSTRUCTION IDENTIFICATION				
- A PRIN	IARY SURFACE	20.00	3.00	3.00	N/A
	E AREAS OF AN APPROACH SURFACE 10,200 FEET OF THE RUNWAY END	20.00	3.00	3.00	N/A
	E AREAS OF A PRIMARY TRANSITION CE WITHIN 500 FEET OF THE PRIMARY CE	20.00	3.00	3.00	N/A
SURFAC	E AREAS OF AN APPROACH TRANSITION CE THAT ARE WITHIN 500 FEET OF PROACH SURFACE AND ALSO WITHIN CET OF THE RUNWAY END	20.00	3.00	3.00	N/A
SURFAC	E AREAS OF A PRIMARY TRANSITION CE FURTHER THAN 500 FEET FROM THE RY SURFACE	50.00	20.00	20.00	N/A
SURFAC APPROA	E AREAS OF AN APPROACH TRANSITION CE FURTHER THAN 500 FEET FROM AN ACH SURFACE AND ALSO WITHIN 10,200 F THE RUNWAY END	50.00	20.00	20.00	N/A
- THE H	ORIZONTAL SURFACE	50.00	20.00	20.00	N/A
	E AREAS OF AN APPROACH SURFACE ER THAN 10,200 FEET FROM THE Y END	100.00	50.00	50.00	N/A
	E AREAS OF AN APPROACH TRANSITION CE FURTHER THAN 10,200 FEET FROM THE LY END	100.00	50.00	50.00	N/A
- THE C	ONICAL SURFACE	100.00	50.00	50.00	N/A

### 2.6. OBSTRUCTIONS CONT.

#### AIRPORT OBSTRUCTION CHART SURVEYS

			VERT	ICAL	
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL
200 FEET A	E OBJECTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN GL THAT PENETRATE THE FOLLOWING ION IDENTIFICATION SURFACES:				
- A PRI	MARY SURFACE	20.00	3.00	3.00	10.00
11100	E AREAS OF AN APPROACH OR ACH TRANSITION SURFACE				
WITHIN	N 10,200 FEET OF THE RUNWAY END	20.00	3.00	3.00	10.00
- THE P	RIMARY TRANSITION SURFACE	20.00	3.00	3.00	10.00
	PROACH OR APPROACH TRANSITION CE FURTHER THAN 10,200 FEET FROM				
	JNWAY END	50.00	3.00	3.00	10.00
- THE H	IORIZONTAL SURFACE	50.00	3.00	3.00	10.00
- THE C	CONICAL SURFACE	50.00	3.00	3.00	10.00

ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE NEAREST PACS, SACS, OR HRP.

DISTANCES RELATIVE TO THE THRESHOLD OR RUNWAY END ARE MEASURED ALONG THE RUNWAY CENTERLINE OR CENTERLINE EXTENDED TO THE ABEAM POINT.

### 2.6. OBSTRUCTIONS CONT.

#### AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH (CONVENTIONAL LANDING) SURVEYS

			VERTICAL		1.07
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL
LESS TH	N-MADE OBJECTS, AND MAN-MADE OBJECTS AN 200 FEET AGL, THAT PENETRATE THE /ING OBSTRUCTION IDENTIFICATION ES:				
- TH	E PRIMARY SURFACE	20.00	3.00	3.00	N/A
	OSE AREAS OF THE APPROACH SURFACE HIN 10,200 FEET OF THE THRESHOLD	20.00	3.00	3.00	N/A
SUR	OSE AREAS OF AN APPROACH TRANSITION FACE WITHIN 2,766 FEET OF THE THRESHOLD EA T1)	20.00	3.00	3.00	N/A
SUR THR	OSE AREAS OF THE APPROACH TRANSITION FACE FURTHER THAN 2,766 FEET FROM THE ESHOLD BUT NOT MORE THAT 10,200 FEET M THE THRESHOLD	50.00	20.00	20.00	N/A
- TH	E MISSED APPROACH SURFACE	50.00	20.00	20.00	N/A
FUR THR	OSE AREAS OF THE APPROACH SURFACE THER THAN 10,200 FEET FROM THE ESHOLD	100.00	50.00	50.00	N/A
SUR	OSE AREAS OF THE APPROACH TRANSITION FACE FURTHER THAN 10,200 FEET FROM THE ESHOLD	100.00	50.00	50.00	N/A
	ADE OBJECTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 20 VING OBSTRUCTION IDENTIFICATION SURFACE		GL THAT PEN	ETRATE TH	E
APP	E PRIMARY SURFACE, THOSE AREAS OF THE ROACH AND TRANSITION SURFACES WITHIN 00 FEET OF THE THRESHOLD	20.00	3.00	3.00	10.00
- TH	E MISSED APPROACH SURFACE	20.00	3.00	3.00	10.00

#### 2.6. OBSTRUCTIONS CONT.

#### AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH (CONVENTIONAL LANDING) SURVEYS

	VERTICAL				
(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL	
SURFACES FURTHER THAN 10,200	50.00	3.00	3.00	10.00	
	(VALUES ARE IN FEET) AS OF THE APPROACH AND SURFACES FURTHER THAN 10,200 HE THRESHOLD	S OF THE APPROACH AND SURFACES FURTHER THAN 10,200	(VALUES ARE IN FEET) HORZ ORTHO	(VALUES ARE IN FEET) HORZ ORTHO ELLIP AS OF THE APPROACH AND SURFACES FURTHER THAN 10,200	

ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE NEAREST PACS, SACS, OR HRP.

DISTANCES RELATIVE TO THE THRESHOLD OR RUNWAY END ARE MEASURED ALONG THE RUNWAY CENTERLINE OR CENTERLINE EXTENDED TO THE ABEAM POINT.

#### AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH (VERTICAL LANDING) SURVEYS

		VERTICAL			
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL

AREA NAVIGATION APPROACH (VERTICAL LANDING) SURVEY ACCURACY STANDARDS ARE TO BE DEVELOPED.

#### 2.7. RUNWAY/STOPWAY POINTS

			VERTICAL		
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL
PHYSICAL I	END	1.00	0.25	0.20	N/A
	THRESHOLD	1.00	0.25	0.20	N/A
THRESHOL	D ZONE ELEVATION (TDZE)	N/A	0.25	0.20	N/A
SUPPLEMEN	NTAL PROFILE POINTS	20.00	0.25	0.20	N/A
POINT ABE	AM HSP FOR:				
OFFSET	TLOC, LDA, OR SDF	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
GS, ML	SEL	1.00	0.25	0.20	N/A
STOPWAY I	LENGTH	2.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
STOPWAY I	END	N/A	0.25	0.20	N/A
AIRPORT EI	LEVATION	20.00	0.25	0.20	N/A

ACCURACIES ARE RELATIVE TO THE NEAREST PACS, SACS, OR HRP

UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, ALL RUNWAY/STOPWAY POINTS SHALL BE ON THE RUNWAY/STOPWAY CENTERLINE.

NOTE: RUNWAY POINT ELEVATIONS NEED NOT BE REVISED UNLESS THE ELEVATION HAS CHANGED BY AT LEAST 0.5 FEET.

#### 2.8. SPECIAL PURPOSE SURVEYS

			VERTIC	CAL	
ITEM	(VALUES ARE IN FEET)	HORZ	ORTHO	ELLIP	AGL

SPECIAL PURPOSE SURVEY ACCURACY STANDARDS SHALL BE IDENTIFIED FOR THE SPECIFIC SURVEY.

# **3. GRAPHIC ACCURACIES**

#### **3.1. AIRPORT OBSTRUCTION CHART**

THESE ACCURACY STANDARDS APPLY TO WELL DEFINED POINTS AND WELL DEFINED PLANIMETRIC DETAIL.

ITEM (VALUES ARE IN MM ON THE MAP)	ACCURACY
POINTS AND PLANIMETRIC DETAIL IN AREAS	
REQUIRING A 20 FOOT DIGITAL HORIZONTAL	
ACCURACY FOR OBSTRUCTION	0.6
POINTS AND PLANIMETRIC DETAIL IN AREAS	
REQUIRING A 50 FOOT DIGITAL HORIZONTAL	
ACCURACY FOR OBSTRUCTIONS	1.3

#### **3.1. MISCELLANEOUS**

### ITEM (VALUES ARE IN MM ON THE MAP)

#### ACCURACY

GRAPHIC ACCURACIES FOR OTHER THAN THE AIRPORT OBSTRUCTION CHART HAVE NOT BEEN DEFINED.

# **APPENDIX 6**

# CONTRACTIONS

# **APPENDIX 6: CONTRACTIONS**

The following list presents the approved contractions for data provided under FAA No. 405 standards.

# CONTRACTION

А

Abandoned	ABND
Above Ground Level	AGL
Accelerate-Stop Distance Available	ASDA
Advisory Circular	AC
Agricultural	AG
Air Route Surveillance Radar	ARSR
Aircraft	ACFT
Airport	ARPT
Airport Beacon	APBN
Airport District Office	ADO
Airport Facility Directory	AFD
Airport Location Point	ALP
Airport Obstruction Chart	AOC
Airport Reference Point	ARP
Airport Surface Detection Equipment	ASDE
Airport Surveillance Radar	ASR
Airport Traffic Control Tower	ATCT
Airway Beacon	AWYBN
Anemometer	AMOM
Antenna	ANT
Approach	APCH
Approach Light	APP LT
Approach Light System	ALS
Area Navigation Approach	ANA
Arresting Gear	A-GEAR
Automated Flight Service Station	AFSS
Automated Surface Observing System	ASOS
Automatic Weather Observing/Reporting System	AWOS

#### В

Back Course Marker	BCM
Bridge	BRDG
Building	BLDG
С	
Centerline	C/L
Ceilometer	CLOM
Chimney	CHY
Closed	CLSD
Common Traffic Advisory Frequency	CTAF
Construction	CONST
Continuously Operating Reference Station	CORS
D	
Direction Finder	DF
Displaced Threshold	DTHLD
Distance Measuring Equipment	DME
Distance to Centerline	DCLN
Distance to Runway End	DEND
Distance to Threshold	DTHR
Ε	
Electrical	ELEC
Elevation	EL
Elevation	ELEV
Ellipsoid	ELLIP
Engine Out Departure	EOD
Equipment	EQUIP
Estimated Maximum Elevation	EME
F	
Fan Marker	FM
Flagpole	FLGPL
Flight Service Station	FSS

#### CONTRACTION

LT

LTD

#### G

Light

Lighted

Glide Slope Global Positioning System Ground Ground Control Approach	GS GPS GRD GCA
Н	
Hangar Height Above Airport Height Above Runway Height Above Touchdown Heliport Reference Point	HGR HAA HAR HAT HRP
Horizontal Horizontal Survey Point	HORZ HSP
Ι	
Inner Marker Inoperative Instrument Flight Rules Instrument Landing System Instrument Meteorological Conditions	IM INOP IFR ILS IMC
International Civil Aviation Organization International Earth Rotation Service Terrestrial Reference Frame Intersection	ICAO ITRF INTXN
J	
None	
Κ	
None	
L	
Lead In Lighting System	LDIN

#### CONTRACTION

### L (Cont.)

Localizer	LOC
Localizer Type Directional Aid	LDA
Locator Middle Marker	LMM
Locator Outer Marker	LOM
М	
Magnetic Variation	VAR
Mean Sea Level	MSL
Microwave	MCWV
Microwave Landing System	MLS
Microwave Landing System Azimuth Guidance	MLSAZ
Microwave Landing System Elevation Guidance	MLSEL
Middle Marker	MM
Monument	MON
Ν	
National Airspace System	NAS
National Flight Data Center	NFDC
National Flight Data Digest	NFDD
National Geodetic Survey	NGS
National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929	NGVD 29
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	NOAA
National Ocean Service	NOS
National Spatial Reference System	NSRS
Nautical Mile	NM
Navigational Aid	NAVAID
Nondirectional Radio Beacon	NDB
North American Datum of 1927	NAD 27
North American Datum of 1983	NAD 83
North American Vertical Datum of 1988	NAVD 88
Not Commissioned	NCM
Note to Exceed	NTE
Notice to Airmen	NOTAM

#### CONTRACTION

#### 0

Observation	OBS
Obstruction	OBST
Obstruction Identification Surface	OIS
Obstruction Lighted	OL
Obstruction Light On	OL ON
Omnidirectional Approach Light System	ODALS
Orthometric	ORTHO
Out Of Service	OTS
Outer Marker	OM
Р	
Point of Contact	POC
Permanent Survey Mark	PSM
Precision Approach Path Indicator	PAPI
Precision Approach Radar	PAR
Primary Airport Control Station	PACS
Pulsating Visual Approach Slope Indicator	PVASI
Q	
None	
R	
Railroad	RR
Reflector	RFLTR
Relocated	RELCTD
Remote Communications Outlet	RCO
Remote Transmitter/Receiver	RTR
Road	RD
Road (Noninterstate)	RD (N)
Road (Interstate)	RD (I)
Runway	RWY
Runway Alignment Indicator Lights	RAIL
Runway End Identifier Lights	REIL
Runway Visual Range	RVR

S	
Secondary Airport Control Station	SACS
Simplified Directional Facility	SDF
Specially Prepared Hard Surface	SPHS
Stack	STK
Standard Instrument Departure	SID
Standard Terminal Arrival	STAR
Standpipe	SPIPE
Stopway	STWY
Т	
Tactical Air Navigation Aid	TACAN
Tank	TK
Taxiway	TWY
Temporary	TMPRY
Threshold	THLD
Take-off Distance Available	TODA
Take-off Run Available	TORA
Touchdown Reflector	TDR
Touchdown Zone	TDZ
Touchdown Zone Elevation	TDZE
Tower	TWR
Transmissometer	TMOM
Transmission Tower	TRMSN TWR
Tri-color Visual Approach Slope Indicator	TRCV
U	
Under Construction	UNC
Until Further Notice	UFN
V	
Vertical	VERT
Vertical Survey Point	VSP
Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range	VOR
Visual Approach Slope Indicator	VASI
Visual Flight Rules	VFR
Visual Meteorological Conditions	VMC
VOR/Tactical Air Navigation	VORTAC
A6.6.	

#### CONTRACTION

#### W

Wide Area Augmentation System Wind Direction Indicator Wind Tee Wind Tetrahedron Windsock World Geodetic System of 1984	WAAS WDI WTEE WTET WSK WGS 84
Х	
none	
Y	
none	
Ζ	
Z Marker	ZM

#### WORD/ PHRASE

## A

ABND	Abandoned
AC	Advisory Circular
ACFT	Aircraft
ADO	Airport District Office
AFD	Airport Facility Directory
AFSS	Automated Flight Service Station
AG	Agricultural
A-GEAR	Arresting Gear
AGL	Above Ground Level
ALP	Airport Location Point
ALS	Approach Light System
AMOM	Anemometer
ANA	Area Navigation Approach
ANT	Antenna
AOC	Airport Obstruction Chart
APBN	Airport Beacon
APCH	Approach
APP LT	Approach Light
ARP	Airport Reference Point
ARPT	Airport
ARSR	Air Route Surveillance Radar
ASDA	Accelerate-Stop Distance Available
ASDE	Airport Surface Detection Equipment
ASOS	Automated Surface Observing System
ASR	Airport Surveillance Radar
ATCT	Airport Traffic Control Tower
AWOS	Automatic Weather Observing/Reporting System
AWYBN	Airway Beacon
В	
BCM	Back Course Marker
BLDG	Building
BRDG	Bridge

#### WORD/ PHRASE

С	
C/L	Centerline
CHY	Chimney
CLOM	Ceilometer
CLSD	Closed
CONST	Construction
CORS	Continuously Operating Reference Station
CTAF	Common Traffic Advisory Frequency
D	
DCLN	Distance to Centerline
DEND	Distance to Runway End
DF	Direction Finder
DME	Distance Measuring Equipment
DTHLD	Displaced Threshold
DTHR	Distance to Threshold
Е	
EL	Elevation
ELEC	Electrical
ELEV	Elevation
ELLIP	Ellipsoid
EME	Estimated Maximum Elevation
EOD	Engine Out Departure
EQUIP	Equipment
F	
FLGPL	Flagpole
FM	Fan Marker
FSS	Flight Service Station
G	
GCA	Ground Control Approach
GPS	Global Positioning System
GRD	Ground
GS	Glide Slope

#### WORD/ PHRASE

Н	
HAA HAR HAT HGR HORZ	Height Above Airport Height Above Runway Height Above Touchdown Hangar Horizontal
HRP HSP	Heliport Reference Point Horizontal Survey Point
Ι	
ICAO IFR ILS IM IMC	International Civil Aviation Organization Instrument Flight Rules Instrument Landing System Inner Marker Instrument Meteorological Conditions
INOP INTXN ITRF	Inoperative Intersection International Earth Rotation Service Terrestrial Reference Frame
J	
None	
Κ	
None	
L	
LDIN LT LDA LMM LOC	Lead In Lighting System Light Localizer Type Directional Aid Locator Middle Marker Localizer
LOM LTD	Locator Outer Marker Lighted

#### WORD/ PHRASE

#### Μ

MCWV	Microwave
MLS	Microwave Landing System
MLSAZ	Microwave Landing System Azimuth Guidance
MLSEL	Microwave Landing System Elevation Guidance
MM	Middle Marker
MON	Monument
MSL	Mean Sea Level
Ν	
NAD 27	North American Datum of 1927
NAD 83	North American Datum of 1983
NAVD 88	North American Vertical Datum of 1988
NAVAID	Navigational Aid
NCM	Not Commissioned
NDB	Nondirectional Radio Beacon
NFDC	National Flight Data Center
NFDD	National Flight Data Digest
NGS	National Geodetic Survey
NGVD 29	National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929
NM	Nautical Mile
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NOS	National Ocean Service
NOTAM	Notice to Airmen
NSRS	National Spatial Reference System
NTE	Not to Exceed
0	
OBS	Observation
OBST	Obstruction
ODALS	Omnidirectional Approach Light System
OIS	Obstruction Identification Surface
OL	Obstruction Lighted
OL ON	Obstruction Light On
OM	Outer Marker
ORTHO	Orthometric
OTS	Out Of Service

#### WORD/ PHRASE

#### P

PACS PAPI PAR	Primary Airport Control Station Precision Approach Path Indicator Precision Approach Radar
POC	Point of Contact
PSM	Permanent Survey Mark
PVASI	Pulsating Visual Approach Slope Indicator
Q	
None	
R	
RAIL RCO	Runway Alignment Indicator Lights Remote Communications Outlet
RD	Road
REIL	
RELCTD	Runway End Identifier Lights Relocated
RELCID	Relocated
RFLTR	Reflector
RD (I)	Road (Interstate)
RD (N)	Road (Noninterstate)
RR	Railroad
RTR	Remote Transmitter/Receiver
RVR	Runway Visual Range
RWY	Runway
S	
SACS	Secondary Airport Control Station
SDF	Simplified Directional Facility
SID	Standard Instrument Departure
SPHS	Specially Prepared Hard Surface
SPIPE	Standpipe
STAR	Standard Terminal Arrival
STK	Stack
STWY	Stopway

#### WORD/ PHRASE

### Т

TACAN TDR TDZ TDZE THLD	Tactical Air Navigation Aid Touchdown Reflector Touchdown Zone Touchdown Zone Elevation Threshold
TK TMOM TMPRY TODA TORA	Tank Transmissometer Temporary Take-off Distance Available Take-off Run Available
TRCV TRMSN TWR TWR TWY U	Tri-color Visual Approach Slope Indicator Transmission Tower Tower Taxiway
UFN UNC V	Until Further Notice Under Construction
VAR VASI VERT VFR VMC VOR VOR VOR VORTAC VSP	Magnetic Variation Visual Approach Slope Indicator Vertical Visual Flight Rules Visual Meteorological Conditions Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range VOR/Tactical Air Navigation Vertical Survey Point
W WAAS WDI WGS 84	Wide Area Augmentation System Wind Direction Indicator World Geodetic System of 1984
WSK WTEE WTET	Windsock Wind Tee Wind Tetrahedron

## CONTRACTION WORD/ PHRASE

Х		
None		
Y		
None		
Z		
ZM	Z Marker	

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### **APPENDIX 7**

## SAMPLE AIRPORT OBSTRUCTION CHART

#### A SAMPLE AIRPORT OBSTRUCTION CHART (OC 000) IS FOLDED INSIDE THE BACK COVER



# GLOSSARY

# **A,B,C**

Accuracy - The degree of conformity with a standard, or a value accepted as correct. Precision is the degree of uniformity of repeated measurements or events. For example, repeat measurements of the distance between two points may exhibit a high degree of precision by virtue of the relative uniformity of the measurements. However, if a "short" tape were used in the measurements, accuracy would be poor in that the measured distance would not conform to the true distance between the points.

Surveying and mapping accuracy standards should include three elements: (1) a stated variation from a true value or a value accepted as correct, (2) the point to which the new value is relative, and (3) the probability that the new value will be within the stated variation. For example, "Horizontal accuracy will be 10 cm relative to the nearest Continuously Operating Reference Station (CORS) at the 95 percent confidence level."

- Abeam Point The point on a line that is nearest to an off line point. For example, a point on the runway centerline is "abeam" the Glide Slope Antenna when the distance from the centerline point to the antenna is a minimum.
- Accelerate-Stop Distance Available (ASDA) The runway plus stopway length declared available and suitable for the acceleration and deceleration of an airplane aborting a takeoff.
- Aeronautical Beacon A visual navigational aid dispaying flashes of white and/or colored light to indicate the location of an airport, a heliport, a landmark, a certain point of a federal airway in mountainous terrain, or an obstruction. (See Airport Rotating Beacon under Airport Lighting.)

- Air Navigation Facility Any facility used in, available for use in, or designed for use in, aid of air navigation, including landing areas, lights, any apparatus or equipment for disseminating weather information, for signaling, for radio-directional finding, or for radio or other electrical communication, and any other structure or mechanism having a similar purpose for guiding or controlling flight in the air or the landing and takeoff of aircraft. (See Navigational Aid.)
- Airport An area on land or water that is used or intended to be used for the landing and takeoff of aircraft and includes its buildings and facilities, if any.
- Airport Elevation The highest point of an airport's usable runways measured in feet from mean sea level (technically, from the vertical datum.)
- Airport Lighting Various lighting aids that may be installed on an airport. Types of airport lighting include:

Airport Rotating Beacon (APBN) - A visual navigational aid operated at many airports. At civil airports, alternating white and green flashes indicate the location of the airport. At military airports, the beacons flash alternately white and green, but are differentiated from civil beacons by dualpeaked (two quick) white flashes between the green flashes.

Approach Light System (ALS) - An airport lighting facility which provides visual guidance to landing aircraft by radiating light beams in a directional pattern by which the pilot aligns the aircraft with the extended centerline of the runway on his final approach for landing. Condenser-Discharge Sequential Flashing Lights/Sequenced Flashing Lights may be installed in conjunction with the ALS at some airports

Omnidirectional Approach Light System (ODALS) - Seven omnidirectional flashing lights located in the approach area of a nonprecision approach. Five lights are located on the runway centerline extended with the first light located 300 feet from the threshold and extending at equal intervals up to 1,500 feet from the threshold. The other two lights are located, one on each side of the runway threshold, at a lateral distance of 40 feet from the runway edge, or 75 feet from the runway edge when installed on a runway equipped with a VASI.

Runway Alignment Indicator Lights (RAIL) -Sequenced Flashing Lights which are installed only in combination with other light systems.

Runway End Identifier Lights (REIL) - Two Synchronized flashing lights, one on each side of the runway threshold, which provide rapid and positive identification of the approach end of a particular runway.

Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) - A visual approach slope indicator normally consisting of light units similar to the VASI but in a single row of either two or four light units set perpendicular to the runway centerline. The row of light units is normally installed on the left side of the runway. Indications are as follows: Below glide path - all lights red; Slightly below glide path - three lights closest to runway red, other light white; On glide path - two lights white; Slightly above glide path - light closest to runway red, other three lights white; Above glide path - all lights white.

Pulsating Visual Approach Slope Indicator (PVASI) - A pulsating visual approach slope indicator normally consisting of a single light unit projecting a two-color visual approach path into the final approach area of the runway upon which the indicator is installed. The on glide path indication is a steady white light. The slightly below glide path indication is a steady red light. If the aircraft descends further below the glide path, the red light starts to pulsate. The above glide path indication is a pulsating white light. The pulsating

Tri-Color Visual Approach Slope Indicator (TRVC) - A visual approach slope indicator normally consisting of a single light unit projecting a three-color visual approach path into the final approach area of the runway upon which the indicator is installed. The below glide path indication is red, the above glide path indication is amber, and the on glide path indication is green.

rate increases as the aircraft gets further above or

below the desired glide slope.

Visual Approach Slope Indicator (VASI) - An airport lighting facility providing vertical visual approach slope guidance to aircraft during approach to landing by radiating a directional pattern of high intensity red and white focused light beams which indicate to the pilot is ""on path" if he sees red/white, "above path" if white/white, and "below path" if red/red. Some airports serving large aircraft have three-bar VASI's which provide two visual glide paths to the same runway.

- Airport Location Point (ALP) The permanent position, usually expressed in latitude and longitude, of an airport for identification and reference purposes. The ALP coincides with the original Airport Reference Point. (See Airport Reference Point.)
- Airport Reference Point (ARP) The approximate geometric center of all usable runways. ARP is not monumented, therefore not recoverable on the ground.
- Airport Surface Detection Equipment (ASDE) Radar equipment specifically designed to detect all principal features on the surface of an airport, including aircraft and vehicular traffic, and to present the entire image on a radar indicator

console in the control tower. Used to augment visual observation by tower personnel of aircraft and/or vehicular movements on the runways and taxiways.

- Airport Surveillance Radar (ASR) Approach control radar used to detect and display an aircraft's position in the terminal area. ASR provides range and azimuth information but does not provide elevation data. Coverage of the ASR can extend up to 60 nautical miles.
- Air Route Surveillance Radar (ARSR) Air route traffic control center (ARTCC) radar used primarily to detect and display an aircraft's position while en route between terminal areas.
- Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) A facility established to provide air traffic control service to aircraft operating on IFR flight plans within controlled airspace and principally during the en route phase of flight. When equipment and controller workload permit, certain advisory/assistance services may be provided to VFR aircraft.
- Apron A defined area on an airport or heliport intended to accommodate aircraft for purposes of loading or unloading passengers or cargo, refueling, parking, or maintenance. With regard to seaplanes, a ramp is used for access to the apron from the water.
- Area Navigation A method of navigation that permits aircraft operation on any desired course within the coverage of station-referenced navigational signals or within the limits of a self-contained system capability. Area navigation systems include GPS, Inertial, and LORAN-C.
- Area Navigation Approach (ANA) An instrument approach procedure using an Area Navigation System.

#### Azimuth

Astronomic - At the point of observation, the angle measured from the vertical plane through the celestial pole and the vertical plane through the observed object. The astronomic azimuth is established directly from observations on a celestial body and is measured in the plane of the horizon. Astronomic azimuths differs from geodetic azimuths because of the deflection of the vertical which can be greater than one minute of arc in extreme cases. Astronomic azimuths may be reckoned clockwise or counterclockwise, from either north or south, as established by convention.

Geodetic - The angle at point A between the tangent to the meridian at A and the tangent to the geodesic from A to B whose geodetic azimuth is wanted. It may be reckoned clockwise from either geodetic north or south as established by convention. Because of earth curvature, the geodetic azimuth from A to B (forward azimuth) differs from the geodetic azimuth from B to A (back azimuth) by other than 180 degrees, except where A and B have the same geodetic longitude or where the geodetic latitude of both points is zero. The geodesic line is the shortest surface distance between two points on the reference ellipsoid. A geodetic meridian is a line on the reference ellipsoid defined by the intersection of the reference ellipsoid and a plane containing the minor axis of that ellipsoid.

Grid - The angle in the plane of projection between a straight line and the central meridian of a planerectangular coordinate system. Grid azimuths may be reckoned clockwise from either geodetic north or south as established by convention.

Magnetic - At the point of observation, the angle between the vertical plane through the observed object and the vertical plane in which a freely suspended symmetrically magnetized needle, influenced by no transient artificial magnetic disturbance, will come to rest. Magnetic azimuths are reckoned clockwise from magnetic north.

Bench Mark - A relatively permanent natural or artificial material object bearing a marked point whose elevation above or below an adopted surface (datum) is known.

- Blast Fence A barrier that is used to divert or dissipate jet or propeller blast.
- Blast Pad A specially prepared surface placed adjacent to the ends of runways to eliminate the erosive effect of the high wind forces produced by airplanes at the beginning of their takeoff rolls.
- Catenary The curve theoretically formed by a perfectly flexible, uniformly dense and thick, inextensible cable suspended from two points. Also a cable suspended between two points and having the approximate shape of a catenary.
- Clearway An area beyond the takeoff runway under the control of airport authorities within which terrain or fixed obstacles may not extend above specified limits. These areas may be required for certain turbine-powered operations and the size and upward slope of the clearway will differ depending on when the aircraft was certificated.

- Compass Locator A low power, low or medium frequency (L/MF) radio beacon installed at the site of the outer or middle marker of an instrument landing system (ILS). It can be used for navigation at distances of approximately 15 miles or as authorized in the approach procedure.
- Control Station A point on the ground whose position and/or elevation is used as a basis for obtaining positions and/or elevations of other points.
- Continuously Operating Reference Station (CORS) A permanent GPS facility whose GPS receiver continuously provides observables from the GPS satellites, allowing stations occupied temporarily by GPS receivers to be differentially positioned relative to it. CORS are related to the NAD 83 coordinate system at the 1-3 cm level either by being collocated at VLBI sites which were used to define the coordinate system, or by being differentially positioned relative to such a collocated GPS station.

## **D**, **E**, **F**

Datum - In general, a point, line, surface, or set of values used as a reference. A geodetic datum is a set of constants specifying the coordinate system and reference used for geodetic control (See Control Station), ie, for calculating coordinates of points on the earth. At least eight constants are needed to form a complete datum: three to specify the location of the origin of the coordinate system; three to specify the orientation of the coordinate system; and two to specify the dimensions of the reference ellipsoid. Any point has a unique X,Y,Z datum coordinate which can be transformed into latitude, longitude, and ellipsoid height (height relative to the ellipsoid).

A horizontal control datum is a geodetic datum specified by two coordinates (latitude and longitude) on the ellipsoid surface, to which horizontal control points are referenced.

A vertical datum is a theoretical equipotential surface with an assigned value of zero to which elevations are referenced. (See Geoid).

Datum Tie - The process of determining, through appropriate survey methods, a position (horizontal tie) or elevation (vertical tie) of a new point relative to the position/elevation of a control station with established datum values, such as, a control station in the National Spatial Reference System (NSRS). The new point may be a permanent survey monument. This process ensures that the new point will have the proper relationship to NSRS and to all other points tied to NSRS.

- Direction Finder (DF) A radio receiver equipped with a directional sensing antenna used to take bearings on a radio transmitter.
- Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) Equipment (airborne and ground) used to measure, in nautical miles, the slant range distance of an aircraft from the DME navigational aid. DME is usually frequency paired with other navigational aids, such as a VOR or localizer.

Ellipsoid - See Reference Ellipsoid

- Ellipsoid Height The distance, taken along the perpendicular to the ellipsoid, between a point and the reference ellipsoid. Ellipsoid heights are positive if the point is above the ellipsoid. Ellipsoid heights are the heights resulting from GPS observations. Ellipsoid height = Geoid Height + Orthometric Height.
- Federal Base Network (FBN) A fundamental reference network of permanently monumented control stations in the United States at a 1 degree x 1 degree nominal spacing, established, maintained, and monitored by the National Geodetic Survey, providing precise latitude, longitude, ellipsoidal height, orthometric height, and gravity values. The FBN is a very precise subset of the National Spatial Reference System.
- Flight Path A line, course, or track along which an aircraft is flying or intended to be flown.
- Frangible Fixture A fixture designed to break at a predetermined point when struck by a predetermined force to minimize damage if accidently struck by an aircraft.

# G, H, I

- Geoid The theoretical surface of the earth that coincides everywhere with approximate mean sealevel. The geoid is an equipotential surface to which, at every point, the plumb line is perpendicular. Because of local disturbances of gravity, the geoid is irregular in shape.
- Geoid Height The distance, taken along a perpendicular to the reference ellipsoid, between the reference ellipsoid and the geoid. The geoid height is positive if the geoid is above the reference ellipsoid. (Geoid height is negative for the conterminous United States). Geoid Height = Ellipsoidal Height -Orthometric Height.
- Global Positioning System (GPS) A space-based radio positioning, navigation, and time-transfer system. The system provides highly accurate position and velocity information, and precise time, on a continuous global basis, to an unlimited number of properly equipped users.
- Ground Controlled Approach (GCA) A radar approach system operated from the ground by air traffic control personnel transmitting instructions to the pilot by radio. The approach may be conducted with airport surveillance radar (ASR) only or with both surveillance and precision approach radar (PAR).
- Helipad A small designated area, usually with a prepared surface, on a heliport, airport, landing/takeoff area, apron/ramp, or movement area used for takeoff, landing, or parking of helicopters.
- Heliport An area of land, water, or structure used or intended to be used for the landing and takeoff of helicopters and includes its buildings and facilities if any.

- Heliport Reference Point (HRP) The geographic position of the heliport expressed in latitude and longitude at, (1) the center of the final approach and takeoff (FATO) area or the centroid of multiple FATO's for heliports having visual and nonprecision instrument approach procedures, or (2) the center of the final approach reference area when the heliport has a precision instrument approach.
- Instrument Landing System (ILS) A precision instrument approach system which normally consists of the following electronic components and visual aids:
  - Localizer Glide Slope Outer Marker Middle Marker Approach Lighting
- Instrument Runway A runway equipped with electronic and visual navigational aids for which a precision or nonprecision approach procedure having straight-in landing minimums have been approved.
- International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) A specialized agency of the United Nations whose objective is to develop the principles and techniques of international air navigation and to foster planning and development of international civil air transport.

- Landing Area Any locality either on land, water, or structure, including airports/heliports, and intermediate landing fields, which is used, or intended to be used, for the landing and takeoff of aircraft whether or not facilities are provided for shelter, servicing, or for receiving or discharging passengers or cargo.
- Landing Direction Indicator A device, usually a tetrahedron, which visually indicates the direction in which landings and takeoffs should be made.
- Leveling The process of determining the difference in elevation between two points. In geodetic leveling, this process results in a vertical distance from a vertical datum.

Direct - The determination of differences in elevation by means of a series of horizontal observations on a graduated rod. The leveling instrument maintains a horizontal line of sight through spirit leveling or a compensation mechanism. The rod is observed while it is resting on a point of known elevation (backsight) and then, without disturbing the elevation of the leveling instrument, is observed a second time while resting on the unknown point (foresight). The differential in rod readings is applied to the starting elevation to determine the elevation of the unknown.

Indirect - The determination of differences in elevation by means other than differential leveling, such as, trigonometric leveling. In trigonometric leveling, the vertical angle and distance from the instrument to the point of unknown elevation are measured and the difference in elevation between the instrument and the unknown point is then computed using trigonometry.

- Local Control A control station or network of control stations in a local area used for referencing local surveys. Local control may or may not be tied to the National Spatial Reference System. (See Control Station).
- Localizer (LOC) The component of an ILS which provides course guidance to the runway.
- Localizer Type Directional Aid (LDA) A navigational aid used for nonprecision instrument approaches with utility and accuracy comparable to a localizer but which is not part of a complete ILS and is not aligned with the runway.
- Long Range Navigation (LORAN) An electronic navigation system by which hyperbolic lines of position are determined by measuring the difference in the time of reception of synchronized pulse signals from two fixed transmitters. LORAN A operates in the 1750 - 1950 kHz frequency band. LORAN C and D operate in the 100 - 110 kHz frequency band.

## **M**, **N**, **O**

Marker Beacon - An electronic navigational facility transmitting a 75 MHz vertical fan or boneshaped radiation patter to be received by aircraft flying overhead.. Marker beacons are identified by their modulation frequency and keying code, and when received by compatible airborne equipment, indicate to the pilot, both aurally and visually, that he is passing over the facility.

Inner Marker (IM) - A marker beacon, used with an ILS Category II precision approach, located between the middle marker and the end of the ILS runway and normally located at the point of designated decision height, normally 100 feet above the touchdown zone elevation, on the ILS Category II approach. It also marks progress during a ILS Category III approach.

Middle Marker (MM)- A marker beacon that defines a point along the glideslope of an ILS, normally located at or near the point of decision height for ILS Category I approaches.

Outer Marker (OM) - A marker beacon at or near the glideslope intercept altitude of an ILS approach. The outer marker is normally located four to seven miles from the runway threshold on the extended centerline of the runway.

- Mean Sea Level (MSL) The average location of the interface between the ocean and atmosphere, over a period of time sufficiently long so that all random and periodic variations of short duration average to zero.
- Minimum Safe Altitude Warning (MSAW) A function of the ARTS III computer that aids the controller by alerting him when a tracked Mode C equipped aircraft is below or is predicted by the computer to go below a predetermined minimum safe altitude.
- Minimums Weather condition requirements established for a particular operation or type of operation; e.g., IFR takeoff or landing, alternate airport for IFR flight plans, VFR flight etc.

- Missed Approach A maneuver conducted by a pilot when an instrument approach cannot be completed to a landing.
- Movement Area The runways, taxiways, and other areas of an airport/heliport which are utilized for taxiing/hover taxiing, air taxiing, takeoff, and landing of aircraft, exclusive of loading ramps and parking areas. At those airports/heliports with a tower, specific approval for entry onto the movement area must be obtained from ATC.
- National Airspace System (NAS) The common network of U.S. airspace; air navigation facilities, equipment and services, airports or landing areas; aeronautical charts, information and services; rules, regulations, and procedures, technical information, and manpower and material. Included are system components shared jointly with the military.
- National Flight Data Center (NFDC) A facility in Washington, D.C., established by FAA to operate a central aeronautical information service for the collection, validation, and dissemination of aeronautical data in support of the activities of government, industry, and the aviation community. The information is published in the "National Flight Data Digest."
- National Flight Data Digest (NFDD) A daily (except weekends and Federal holidays) publication of flight information appropriate to aeronautical charts, aeronautical publications, Notices to Airmen, or other media serving the purpose of providing operational flight data essential to safe and efficient aircraft operations.
- National Spatial Reference System (NSRS) A network of permanent survey monuments located throughout the United States with accurately determined positions (horizontal network) and/or elevations (vertical network). Gravity values, not always monumented, are also part of NSRS.

Responsibility for establishing and maintaining NSRS rests with the National Geodetic Survey under the U.S. Department of Commerce. Current authority is contained in United States Code, Title 33, USC 883a as amended, and specifically defined by Executive Directive, Bureau of the Budget (now Office of Management and Budget) Circular No. A-16 Revised.

- Navigable Airspace Airspace at and above the minimum flight altitude prescribed in the FARs, including airspace needed for safe takeoff and landing.
- Navigational Aid (NAVAID) Any visual or electronic device airborne or on the surface which provides point to point guidance information or position data to aircraft in flight. (See Air Navigation Facility.)
- Nondirectional Beacon (NDB) An L/MF or UHF radio beacon transmitting nondirectional signals whereby the pilot of an aircraft equipped with direction finding equipment can determine his bearing to or from the radio beacon and "home" or track to or from the station. When the NDB is installed in conjunction with an Instrument Landing System marker, it is normally called a Compass Locator.
- Nonprecision Approach Procedure A standard instrument approach procedure in which no electronic glide slope is provided; e.g., VOR, TACAN, NDB, LOC, ASR, LDS, and SDF approaches.
- Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) A notice containing information (not known sufficiently in advance to publicize by other means) concerning the establishment, condition, or change in any

component (facility, service, or procedure of, or hazard in the National Airspace System) the timely knowledge of which is essential to personnel concerned with flight operations.

- Obstruction Any object that penetrates an obstruction identification surface.
- Obstruction Identification Surface (OIS) Any imaginary surface authorized by the Federal Aviation Administration to identify obstructions. Any object that penetrates an OIS is an obstruction, by definition.

Specified OIS - Any OIS other than a supplemental OIS.

Supplemental OIS - An OIS designated by appropriate FAA authorities as a supplemental OIS. A supplemental OIS, when implemented, will normally lie below a specified OIS and is intended to provide additional obstruction information. An object that penetrates a supplemental OIS only is a supplemental obstruction.

- Offset NAVAID A NAVAID used during the final approach segment of a straight in instrument approach and not located on the runway centerline or centerline extended.
- Orthometric Height The distance, taken along the plumb line, between a point and the geoid. Orthometric heights are positive if the point is above the geoid. Orthometric Height = Ellipsoid Height - Geoid Height.

- Planimetry The plan detail of a map that has no indication of relief or contour.
- Plot Point A point that represents the position of a feature. This point may be located on the feature or located between feature components. For example, the plot point for a Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) system is the center of the light array which falls between light units.
- Precision Approach Procedure A standard instrument approach procedure in which an electronic glideslope/glidepath is provided; e.g., GPS, ILS, and PAR approaches.
- Precision Approach Radar (PAR) Radar equipment, in some ATC facilities operated by FAA and/or the military services at joint use civil/military locations and separate military installations to detect and display azimuth, elevation, and range of aircraft on the final approach course to a runway. This equipment may be used to monitor certain nonradar approaches, but is primarily used to conduct a precision instrument approach wherein the controller issues guidance instructions to the pilot based on the aircraft's position in relation to the final approach course (azimuth), glidepath (elevation), and distance (range) from the touchdown point on the runway as displayed on the radar scope.
- Primary Airport Control Station (PACS) A control station established in the vicinity of, and usually on, an airport, and tied directly to the National Spatial Reference System. PACS must be declared PACS by the National Geodetic Survey and must meet the specific siting, construction, and accuracy requirements for PACS.
- Progressive Taxi Precise taxi instructions given to a pilot unfamiliar with the airport or issued in stages as the aircraft proceeds along the taxi route.
- Published Data Data officially issued for distribution to the public.

Radio Detection and Ranging (RADAR) - A device which, by measuring the time interval between transmission and reception of radio pulses and correlating the angular orientation of the radiated antenna beam or beams in azimuth and/or elevation, provides information on range, azimuth, and/or elevation of objects in the path of the transmitted pulse.

Primary Radar - A radar system in which a minute portion of a radio pulse transmitted from a site is reflected by an object and then received back at the site for processing and display at an air traffic control facility.

Secondary Radar/Radar Beacon (ATCRBS) - A radar system in which the object to be detected is fitted with cooperative equipment in the form of a radio receiver/transmitter (transponder). Radar pulses transmitted from the searching transmitter/receiver (interrogator) site are received in the cooperative equipment and used to trigger a distinctive transmission from the transponder. This reply transmission, rather than a reflected signal, is then received back at the transmitter/receiver site for processing and display at an air traffic control facility.

Radar Approach - An instrument approach procedure which utilizes Precision Approach Radar (PAR) or Airport Surveillance Radar (ASR).

Radio Beacon - See Nondirectional Beacon

Ramp - See Apron

Reference Ellipsoid - A geometric figure comprising one component of a geodetic datum, usually determined by rotating an ellipse about its shorter (polar) axis, and used as a surface of reference for geodetic surveys. The reference ellipsoid closely approximates the dimensions of the geoid, with certain ellipsoids fitting the geoid more closely for various areas of the earth. Elevations derived directly from satellite observations are relative to the ellipsoid and are called ellipsoid heights.

- Remote Communications Outlet (RCO) An unmanned communications facility remotely controlled by air traffic personnel. RCO's serve flight service stations. Remote Transmitter/Receivers (RTR) serve terminal ATC facilities.
- Remote Transmitter/Receiver (RTR) See Remote Communications Outlet.
- Runway A defined rectangular area on a land airport prepared for the landing and takeoff run of aircraft along its length. Runways are normally numbered in relation to their magnetic direction rounded off to the nearest 10 degrees: e.g., Runway 10, Runway 25.
- Runway Length The straight line distance between runway end points. This line does not account for surface undulations between points. Official runway lengths are normally computed from runway end coordinates and elevations.

- Secondary Airport Control Station (SACS) A control station established in the vicinity of, and usually on, an airport, and tied directly to the Primary Airport Control Station. SACS must be declared SACS by the National Geodetic Survey and must meet the specific siting, construction, and accuracy requirements for SACS.
- Simplified Directional Facility (SDF) A navigational aid used for nonprecision instrument approaches. The final approach course is similar to that of an ILS localizer except that the SDF course may be offset from the runway, generally not more than 3 degrees, and the course may be wider than the localizer, resulting in a lower degree of accuracy.
- Specially Prepared Hard Surface (SPHS) A concrete, asphalt, or other paved surface, or an unpaved surface that has been specially treated to stabilize the surface, protect the subsurface, or provide a smoother rolling surface for aircraft. Unpaved SPHS's include compacted gravel, and gravel treated with a stabilizing bituminous material.
- State Plane Coordinate System A series of planerectangular coordinate systems established by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey for the entire United States, with a separate system for each state. A mathematical relationship exists between state plane and geodetic coordinates, one being easily transformed into the other. The advantage of the State Plane Coordinate System is that it permits survey computations for small areas to be performed using plane trigonometry (as opposed to more complex spherical trigonometry), while still yielding very nearly the true angles and distances between points.
- Stopway An area beyond the takeoff runway, no less wide than the runway and centered upon the extended centerline of the runway, able to support the airplane during an aborted takeoff, without causing structural damage to the airplane, and designated by the airport authorities for use in decelerating the airplane during an aborted takeoff.

- Supplemental Profile Point A runway/stopway point selected so that a straight line between any two adjacent published runway/stopway points will be no greater than one foot from the runway/stopway surface.
- Take-off Distance Available (TODA) The length of the take-off run available plus the length of the clearway, if provided.
- Take-off Run Available (TORA) The length of the runway declared available and suitable for the ground run of an aeroplane take-off.
- Tactical Air Navigation (TACAN) An ultra-high frequency electronic rho-theta air navigational aid which provides suitably equipped aircraft a continuous indication of bearing and distance to the TACAN station.
- Tetrahedron A device normally located on uncontrolled airports and used as a landing direction indicator. The small end of the tetrahedron points in the direction of landing.
- Threshold (THLD) The beginning of that portion of the runway available for landing. A displaced threshold (DTHLD) is a threshold that is located at a point on the runway other than the designated beginning of the runway. A relocated threshold (RTHLD) is a threshold that is located at the runway end but not at the end of pavement.
- Touchdown Zone (TDZ) The first 3,000 feet of the runway beginning at the threshold.
- Touchdown Zone Elevation (TDZE) The highest elevation in the Touchdown Zone.
- Transmissometer (TMOM) An apparatus used to determine visibility by measuring the transmission of light through the atmosphere. It is the measurement source for determining runway visual range (RVR) and runway visibility value (RVV).

## V, W, X, Y, Z

- $V_1\,$  The takeoff decision speed. If a system failure occurs before  $V_1$  the takeoff is aborted. If the failure occurs at or above  $V_1,$  the pilot is committed to continue the takeoff.
- Vertical Takeoff and Landing (VTOL) Aircraft -Aircraft capable of vertical climbs and/or descents and of using very short runways or small areas for takeoff and landings. These aircraft include, but are not limited to, helicopters.
- Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range Station (VOR) - A ground-based electronic navigation aid transmitting very high frequency navigation signals, 360 degrees in azimuth, oriented from magnetic north.
- Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range/Tactical Air Navigation (VORTAC) - A navigation aid providing VOR azimuth, TACAN azimuth, and TACAN distance measuring equipment (DME) at one site.
- Visual Approach An approach conducted on an instrument flight rules (IFR) flight plan which authorizes the pilot to proceed visually and clear of clouds to the airport. The pilot must, at all times, have either the airport or preceding aircraft in sight.

- Visual Glideslope Indicator A navigational aid that provides vertical visual guidance to aircraft during approach to landing by either radiating a directional pattern of high intensity light into the approach area, or providing lighted or unlighted panels which can be aligned by the pilot, thereby allowing the pilot to determine if the aircraft is above, below, or on the prescribed glidepath. (See Airport Lighting).
- Waypoint A predetermined geographical position used for route/instrument approach definition, or progress reporting purposes, that is defined relative to a VORTAC station or in terms of latitude/longitude coordinates.
- Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) The total FAA system designed and built to meet the mission needs of insuring satellite integrity for using GPS for required navigation performance (RNP) in the National Airspace System and of improving accuracy to support precision approaches using GPS augmented with the WAAS.

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