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Electronic Submission of Air Carrier Reports

This Accounting and Reporting Directive reminds carriers that they can meet their reporting obligation to submit financial, traffic and operating statistical reports to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) by transmitting their files via e-mail until BTS establishes an e-filing system over the internet.

Attaching records to e-mails should save the carriers mailing costs and from having to print large number of pages, especially for their Schedule B-7 Airframe and Aircraft Engines Acquisitions and Retirements and Schedule B-43 Inventory of Airframes and Aircraft Engines. For those carriers electing to submit Schedules B-7 or B-43 via electronic means, BTS has added columns to identify owned, capitalized, operating leases, and nonoperating equipment. B-7 and B-43 submissions would be e-mailed to F41financials.support@dot.gov

The e-mail accounts for submitting the various reports are:

T-100.support@dot.gov

T-100f.support@dot.gov

Ontime.support@dot.gov

Odsurvey.support@dot.gov

F41financials.support@dot.gov

298c.support@dot.gov

Form251.support@dot.gov



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Below are the file formats for submitting Schedules B-7 and B-43.

BTS Form 41, Schedule B-7, Airframe and Aircraft Engine Acquisitions and Retirements

File Description

HEADER

<u>FIELD NAME</u>	<u>DATA TYPE</u>	<u>FIELD LENGTH</u>
B-7	Alpha/Numeric	3
Air Carrier Name	Alpha	Unlimited
Year	Numeric	4
Month Ended	Numeric	2

DATA COLUMNS

Year of First Delivery (airframe)	Numeric	4
Airframe Manufacturer's serial Number	Alpha/Numeric	Unlimited
Date Acquired or Retired	MMDDYYYY	8
Acquisition or Retirement "A" or "R"	Alpha	1
Airframe License Number	Alpha/Numeric	Unlimited
Number of Engines Acquired/Retired	Numeric	up to 4
Type, Model, and Cabin Design	Alpha/Numeric	Unlimited
Maximum Seating Capacity	Numeric	up to 4
Cost	Numeric	Unlimited
Amortized/Depreciation Cost	Numeric	Unlimited
Realization	Numeric	Unlimited
Acquired From/Disposition	Alpha	Unlimited
Type of Ownership/Lease	Alpha	1
Operating Status	Alpha	1

Codes for Type of Ownership

- O - Owned
- a - Capital Lease
- b - Operating Lease

Codes for Operating Status

- N - Nonoperating Equipment
- Y - Operating Equipment

The data stream listed above shall be reported for each individual airframe.

Data pertaining to aircraft engines are reported in aggregate for each type or model. Leased aircraft engines are reported separately as either **Capital Leases or Operating Leases**.

File Type: .csv - comma separated variable; all fields must be comma separated.

BTS Form 41, Schedule B-43, Inventory of Airframes and Aircraft Engines

File Description

HEADER

<u>FIELD NAME</u>	<u>DATA TYPE</u>	<u>FIELD LENGTH</u>
B-43	Alpha/Numeric	4
Air Carrier Name	Alpha	unlimited
Date	MMDDYYYY	8

DATA COLUMNS

Year of First Delivery (airframe)	Numeric	4
Airframe Manufacturer's Serial Number	Alpha/Numeric	Unlimited
Airframe License Number	Alpha/Numeric	Unlimited
Date Acquired	MMDDYYYY	8
Usual Seat Configuration	Numeric	up to 4
Number of Aircraft Engines (By Type)	Numeric	up to 5
Manufacturer	Alpha	Unlimited
Type, Model, and Cabin Design	Alpha/Numeric	Unlimited
Available Capacity (Weight)	Numeric	Unlimited
Acquired Cost or Capitalized Value	Numeric	Unlimited
Allowance for Depreciation or Amortization	Numeric	Unlimited
Depreciated Cost or Amortized Value	Number	Unlimited
Estimated Residual Value	Numeric	Unlimited
Estimated Depreciable or Amortizable Life		
Expressed in Months	Numeric	3
Type of Ownership/Lease	Alpha	1
Operating Status	Alpha	1

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