

Central Region Airport Certification Bulletin



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Application

This bulletin is intended for use by Part 139 Airport Managers and State Aviation Directors within the States of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska

Background

There have been 2 cargo aircraft fires, in 2006 and 2008, where the NTSB concluded that some ARFF personnel are not adequately trained on the use of the High Reach Extendable Turret (HRET), reducing the effectiveness of the device in fighting interior aircraft fires. As a result of these NTSB investigations, the NTSB issued two recommendations to the FAA.

NTSB Recommendation A-07-100

Provide guidance to aircraft rescue and firefighting personnel on the best training methods to obtain and maintain proficiency with the high-reach extendable turret with skin-penetrating nozzle.

NTSB Recommendation A-07-101

Require airport inspectors to ensure that Part 139 airports with cargo operations include cargo aircraft in their aircraft rescue and firefighting aircraft familiarization training programs.

Action Required

Enclosed with this Central Region Airport Certification Bulletin is a new ARFF training DVD containing 3 training modules on, Aircraft forcible entry, Fire Fighting with the HRET and Cargo Aircraft Fire Fighting. Please forward this ARFF training DVD to the ARFF personnel to be included in their training curriculum.

The FAA has also issued a new Advisory Circular, [AC 150/5210-23, ARFF Vehicle and High Reach Extendable Turret \(HRET\) Operation, Training and Qualifications](#). This new Advisory Circular along with other Part 139 related documents are available at the FAA Airports web page: http://www.faa.gov/airports/airport_safety/aircraft_rescue_fire_fighting/.

Central Region airports can request additional copies of the DVD by contacting their FAA certification inspector.

Questions

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