**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**

When repainting surface painted holding position signs (SPHPS), it is a recommended best practice to allow the red paint to cure for 24 hours before painting the white inscriptions. This procedure will result in a better bond between the white inscription and the red background and will prevent flaking of the marking. A future change will be made to AC 150/5370-10E, Standards for Specifying Construction of Airports, to address this issue.



**Installed Red Background for SPHS** 

SPHPS are required by Part 139.311(b)(1)(ii), as documented in Section 4.5 of AC 150/5340-1K, *Standards for Airport Markings*, and highlighted by the safety (red) text box on page 38.

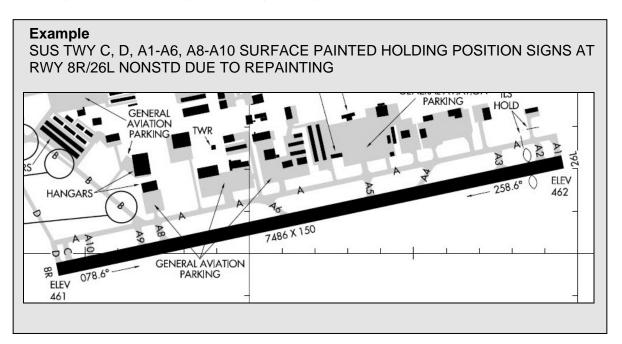
Part 139.339(c)(6) requires that each certificate shall,

- (c) In complying with paragraph (a) of this section, provide information on the following airport conditions that may affect the safe operations of air carriers:
  - (6) Malfunction of any lighting system, holding position signs, or ILS critical area signs required by Sec. 139.311.

#### **Action Required**

During the period when SPHPS are missing the white inscriptions, a NOTAM must be issued to notify pilots of the non-standard markings. Submit NOTAMS to Lockheed Martin Flight Services for out of service SPHPS in the following format:

# (Airport Identifier) TWY (affected TWY) SURFACE PAINTED HOLDING POSITION SIGNS (AT affected RWY) NONSTD (reason)



The affected TWY is mandatory and the affected runway and reason can be included for clarification. If out of service SPHPS are located on more than one runway, separate NOTAMS should be issued for each runway.

If all SPHPS on the airport are being repainted at the same time, issue the following NOTAM:

# (Airport Identifier) TWY ALL SURFACE PAINTED HOLDING POSITION SIGNS NONSTD DUE TO REPAINTING

#### Questions

If you have questions, contact either, Mike Mullen, Lead Airport Certification Inspector, 816-329-2618 or Pat Haynes, Airport Certification Safety Inspector, 816-329-2621.

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