The *New* FAA Airport Compliance Manual

FAA Order 5190.6B & Small Airport Management Guide

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Overview: Objectives of New Order

- One stop shopping for compliance guidance, policy, and source documentation
- Guidance for FAA personnel, sponsors, and aeronautical users based on new law, policy, regulatory changes, precedent from Part 16 decisions, and compliance guidance materials

Overview Review: Objectives of New Order

- Consolidating guidance into single document (with larger appendix)
- Includes references to 39 current grant assurances (revisions through March 2005)
- Organized by topic in accordance with Grant Assurances

- Cites new law, policies and regulations that did not exist in 1989:
 - New law and Policy on Rates and Charges (1996; updated July 8, 2008)
 - New law and Policy on Airport Revenue (2/16/99)
 - New Part 16 Regulations (1996)
 - New Land Use Inspections (1999)
 - New ANCA and Part 161 Regulations (1990)
 - New Airport Privatization (FAA Reauth Act 1996)
 - More Part 13.1 Complaint Process Info
 - New Part 16 Determinations on website at:

http://part16.airports.faa.gov



Original Order

- 8 Chapters
- 8 Items in Appendix
- Restrictive on line searches – "paper based"
- Limited references, not self-contained
- Sections are not topic oriented

- 23 Chapters
- 28 Items in Appendix
- Appendix will be "e-based" (searchable) & easier for on line users
- Improved guidance by referencing letters, documentation, graphs, pictures
- Sections are topic oriented an bundled



Compliance Program Guidance

Original Order

- Minimal compliance program guidance
- No procedural Part 13.1 guidance
- Part 16 didn't exist
- Lacks precedential support

- See Chapter 5
- Extensive Guidance
 - Differentiates Part 16 and Part 13.1 processes
 - Extensive Part 13.1 guidance
 - References precedent from Part 16 decisions



Good Title and Rights & Powers

Original Order

- Limited guidance on ownership interests and management responsibilities
- Discussion limited to delegation of sponsor obligations and subordination of title

- Chapters 6 & 21
- Clear explanation of Grant Assurances 4 & 5
- Expands on discussion of delegation of sponsor obligations within the context of airport management, property transfers, and airport privatization
- Discusses inter-related nature of grant assurances in one place



Compatible Land Use, Airspace, & Inspections

Original Order

- Minimal guidance on compatible land use
- Limited to Part 77 protections
- Lack of definitions
- Little guidance on incompatible residential use

- Compatible Land Use & Airspace Protections, See Chapter 20
- Provides references to guidance documents and sample letters on noise, obstructions, and other incompatible land uses
- Includes definitions
- Residential on-airport hangar homes and through-the-fence residential airparks



Compatible Land Use, Airspace, & Inspections

Original Order

- Minimal guidance on Land Use Inspections criteria because the GAO report didn't exist until 1999
- Lacks details and explanations for actual inspection process

- Compliance Inspections, See Chapter 21
- Explains authority and history for conducting land use inspections
- Step by step guidance with graphics and pictures
- Exhibit A and ALP inconsistencies
- Sample letters



Economic Nondiscrimination

Original Order

- Presented only within context of exclusive rights and availability on fair and reasonable terms
- Abstract, theoretical approach

- See Chapters 9, 10, 12, 13, 14 & 18
- Real discussion of Grant Assurance
 22
- Discusses Grant Assurance 22
 within context of similarly situated,
 Minimum Standards, leases,
 restrictions, and rates & charges

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- Fair and Reasonable (rates & charges) expanded
 - Availability of leased space
 - Air carrier access
- Entire chapters on:
 - Minimum Standards
 - Lease agreements
 - Noise Restrictions
 - Safety & Efficiency



Rates & Charges and Revenue Use

Original Order

- Policies did not exist
- Limited to:
 - Context of nondiscrimination
 - NEUP/reverter with surplus property
 - Failed to reflect evolution of FAA's involvement in assessing management agreements and leases

- See Chapters 15, 16, 17, 18, & 19
- Includes full legislative history
- Expands context to include:
 - Defines airport revenue
 - Permitted and prohibited uses
 - Ground access projects

Rates & Charges and Revenue Use

<u>Original Order</u>

- No discussion of financial reports
- Does not address ratemaking methodologies beyond rates and charges

- Entire Chapters on:
 - Revenue Diversion (consolidated)
 - Resolving Revenue Diversion
 - Self-sustainability
 - Financial Reporting

Exclusive Rights

<u>Original Order</u>

- Under Chapter 3
- Limited to:
 - Background
 - Policy
 - Qualifications and Standards

(Total of 5 pages)

- See Chapters 8, 11, & 12
- Chapter 8 has 14 pages fully devoted to this topic that adds:
 - Specifically outlines remedies
 - Identifies its linkage to #22
 - Examples of how to identify Exclusive Rights terms and context in leases
 - Samples we've used



Exclusive Rights

Original Order

- Limited to (cont'd):
 - Single service provider
 - Self-service v. proprietary exclusive
- General guidance on lease agreements

- Chap. 11 Self Service adds:
 - Citations to Orders
 - Exclusive Rights restrictions based on precedent
 - New Fractional Ownership info
- Chap. 12 Lease Agreements adds:
 - TTF
 - Reasonable access



Where can I find a copy?

http://www.faa.gov/airports

What else can I find there?

- Link to FAA Part 16 Decisions Database
- Airport Financial Reporting System (CATS)
- Links to 150 series (airports) Advisory Circulars
- Grant Assurances (Sponsor, Noise & Planning)

Project: DA0101

Research Goal:

Develop an easy to use guidebook for managing small airports that identifies best practices to achieve safe and efficient operation while maintaining compliance with regulatory requirements and federal obligations.

Project Objectives: WHY?

- Resources at small airports is limited due to budget and personnel constraints
- Need a one stop shop for current and comprehensive guidance/advice on a wide array of management issues, such as:
 - Taxes
 - Employment
 - Revenue accountability
 - Capital funding

- Law enforcement
- Contracting
- Real estate
- Capital funding
- Environmental protection

Project Objectives: WHAT?

- Geared for owners, operators, managers, and policy makers of small airports
- To help them:
 - 1) Identify fundamental management principles;
 - 2) Identify best practices for effective use and management of resources and facilities; and
 - 3) Communicate their needs and strategies effectively to decision makers and regulators.

- Focused on:
 - airport finance
 - operations
 - planning and development
 - public relations
 - issues relating to commercial service
 - emerging trends and their impact
 - airport education and training

- Finance addresses the airports obligations in areas such as:
 - Revenue Generation
 - Leases
 - Minimum Standards
 - Flying Clubs
 - Rates and Charges
 - Funding (local, state, and federal)

- Operations addresses the airports obligations in areas such as:
 - Safety
 - Maintenance
 - Security
 - Emergency preparedness

- Planning & development addresses the airports obligations in areas such as:
 - National and State transportation plans
 - Zoning
 - Construction standards
 - Environmental concerns
 - Part 77

- Public Relations addresses the airports obligations in areas such as:
 - Marketing and advertising
 - Community and Media relations
 - Events and activities for the public

- Commercial Service addresses the airports obligations in areas such as:
 - FAA Part 139 requirements
 - Master planning issues
 - EAS
 - Airline agreements

- Airport Education and Training addresses the airports obligations in areas such as:
 - Management, staff, and contractors training programs
 - Educating local officials (i.e. sponsor is a county, educating county Board)
 - How to show your airport's strengths and correct weaknesses through benchmarking

Where can I find a copy?

http://www.trb.org/Publications/Public/Blurbs/ Guidebook_for_Managing_Small_Airports_162 145.aspx

TRB and ACRP Projects

- Visit: www.trb.org/acrp
- Learn about upcoming projects
- Learn how to submit ideas, nominate yourself/others
- Get copies of all completed projects

Airport Compliance Program

COMMENTS?

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QUESTIONS?

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