

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION Air Traffic Organization Policy

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SUBJ: IFR Flight Plan Control Messages

- **1. Purpose of This Notice**. This notice amends Paragraph 6-3-3, IFR Flight Plan Control Messages, in Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Order JO 7110.10, Flight Services, to be consistent with FAA Order JO 7340.2, Contractions, concerning the inclusion of radiotelephony in the remarks field of the flight plan.
- **2. Audience**. This notice applies to the following Air Traffic Organization (ATO) service unit: System Operations Services, Flight Services Program Operations Office.
- **3.** Where Can I Find This Notice? The notice is available on the MyFAA employee Web site at https://employees.faa.gov/tools_resources/orders_notices/ and on the air traffic publications Web site at http://www.faa.gov/airports_airtraffic/air_traffic/publications.
- **4. Procedures**. Amend paragraph 6-3-3 to read as follows:

6-3-3. IFR FLIGHT PLAN CONTROL MESSAGES

Title thru c15(a)(1), no change.

(2) When a pilot files an FAA-assigned three-letter company designator, if the designator and/or radiotelephony is new or changed, the authorized radiotelephony call sign must be included in the remarks field for at least 60 days following the effective date. In cases where there is no three-letter identifier assignment or a three-letter identifier is used in a medical emergency, the assigned radiotelephony must be included in the remarks field.

NOTE-

- **1.** A radiotelephony may be assigned by the FAA without assigning a three-letter identifier. Special radiotelephony assignments are usually temporary and for commemorative flights, large number of aircraft in an organized race, aircraft operating during an emergency or disaster condition, or aircraft requiring special handling for test purposes.
- **2.** The pilot is responsible for knowing when it is appropriate to file the radiotelephony in remarks under the 60-day rule or for special radiotelephony assignments. The pilot may also request the radiotelephony be filed in remarks due to special needs of the flight.

No further changes to paragraph.

5. Distribution. This order is distributed to the following ATO service units: Systems Operations, En Route and Oceanic, Terminal, and Mission Support; ATO Safety; the William J. Hughes Technical Center; and the Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center.

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6. Background. A discrepancy between requirements in FAA Orders JO 7110.10, Flight Services, and JO 7340.2, Contractions, is being resolved. FAA Order JO 7110.10 required the radiotelephony to be included in remarks section of an IFR flight plan for all three-letter call signs. FAA Order JO 7340.2 requires the radiotelephony in remarks only if the designator and/or radiotelephony were new or changed and for 60 days following the effective date. In addition, Order JO 7340.2 includes an additional requirement for aircraft with no assigned three-letter designator but only an assigned radiotelephony, or when an assigned three-letter designator is used in a medical emergency, the radiotelephony must be included in the remarks field.

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