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FOREWORD

Pursuant to Rule -82, schedule-3 Civil Aviation Regulation ,2058 (2002), this Manual of Standards – Aeronautical Information Services is issued by CAAN specifying the national process and procedure, requirements and procedures pertaining to the provision of aeronautical information services by the air navigation service provider within the Kathmandu Flight Information Region.

This procedures in this Manual are based on those stipulated in Procedures for Air Navigation Service- Aeronautical Information Management (PANS-AIM Doc. 10066), AIS Manual Doc. 8126, other relevant ICAO documents, and with such modifications as may be determined by CAAN to be applicable in Nepal.

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Chapter 1 DEFINITIONS

When the following terms are used in this document, they have the following meanings:

_Aerodrome._ A defined area on land or water (including any buildings, installations and equipment) intended to be used either wholly or in part for the arrival, departure and surface movement of aircraft.

_Aerodrome mapping data (AMD)._ Data collected for the purpose of compiling aerodrome mapping information.

   Note.—Aerodrome mapping data is collected for purposes that include the improvement of the user’s situational awareness, surface navigation operations, training, charting and planning.

_Aerodrome mapping database (AMDB)._ A collection of aerodrome mapping data organized and arranged as a structured data set.

_Aeronautical chart._ A representation of a portion of the Earth, its culture and relief, specifically designated to meet the requirements of air navigation.

_Aeronautical data._ A representation of aeronautical facts, concepts or instructions in a formalized manner suitable for communication, interpretation or processing.

_Aeronautical fixed service (AFS)._ A telecommunication service between specified fixed points provided primarily for the safety of air navigation and for the regular, efficient and economical operation of air services.

_Aeronautical information._ Information resulting from the assembly, analysis and formatting of aeronautical data.

_Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC)._ A notice containing information that does not qualify for the origination of a NOTAM or for inclusion in the AIP, but which relates to flight safety, air navigation, technical, administrative or legislative matters.

_Aeronautical information management (AIM)._ The dynamic, integrated management of aeronautical information through the provision and exchange of quality-assured digital aeronautical data in collaboration with all parties.

_Aeronautical information product._ Aeronautical data and aeronautical information provided either as digital data sets or as a standardized presentation in paper or electronic media. Aeronautical information products include:

   — Aeronautical Information Publications (AIP), including Amendments and Supplements;
   — Aeronautical Information Circulars (AIC);
   — aeronautical charts;
   — NOTAM; and
   — digital data sets
Note.— Aeronautical information products are intended primarily to satisfy international requirements for the exchange of aeronautical information.

Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP). A publication issued by or with the authority of a State and containing aeronautical information of a lasting character essential to air navigation.

Aeronautical information management Department (AIMD). A service established within the defined area of coverage responsible for the provision of aeronautical data and aeronautical information necessary for the safety, regularity and efficiency of air navigation.

AIP Amendment. Permanent changes to the information contained in the AIP.

AIP Supplement. Temporary changes to the information contained in the AIP which are provided by means of special pages.

AIRAC. An acronym (aeronautical information regulation and control) signifying a system aimed at advance notification, based on common effective dates, of circumstances that necessitate significant changes in operating practices.

Air traffic management (ATM). The dynamic, integrated management of air traffic and airspace (including air traffic services, airspace management and air traffic flow management) — safely, economically and efficiently — through the provision of facilities and seamless services in collaboration with all parties and involving airborne and ground-based functions.

Application. Manipulation and processing of data in support of user requirements (ISO 19104).

Area navigation (RNAV). A method of navigation which permits aircraft operation on any desired flight path within the coverage of ground- or space-based navigation aids or within the limits of the capability of self-contained aids, or a combination of these.

Note.— Area navigation includes performance-based navigation as well as other operations that do not meet the definition of performance-based navigation.

ASHTAM. A special series NOTAM notifying by means of a specific format change in activity of a volcano, a volcanic eruption and/or volcanic ash cloud that is of significance to aircraft operations.

Assemble. A process of merging data from multiple sources into a database and establishing a baseline for subsequent processing.

Note.— The assemble phase includes checking the data and ensuring that detected errors and omissions are rectified.

ATS surveillance service. Term used to indicate a service provided directly by means of an ATS surveillance system.

ATS surveillance system. A generic term meaning variously, ADS-B, PSR, SSR or any comparable ground-based system that enables the identification of aircraft.

Note.— A comparable ground-based system is one that has been demonstrated, by comparative assessment or other methodology, to have a level of safety and performance equal to or better than monopulse SSR.
**Automatic dependent surveillance — broadcast (ADS-B).** A means by which aircraft, aerodrome vehicles and other objects can automatically transmit and/or receive data such as identification, position and additional data, as appropriate, in a broadcast mode via a data link.

**Automatic terminal information service (ATIS).** The automatic provision of current, routine information to arriving and departing aircraft throughout 24 hours or a specified portion thereof:

- Data link-automatic terminal information service (D-ATIS). The provision of ATIS via data link.
- Voice-automatic terminal information service (Voice-ATIS). The provision of ATIS by means of continuous and repetitive voice broadcasts.

**Bare Earth.** Surface of the Earth including bodies of water and permanent ice and snow, and excluding vegetation and man-made objects.

**Calendar.** Discrete temporal reference system that provides the basis for defining temporal position to a resolution of one day (ISO 19108*).

**Canopy.** Bare Earth supplemented by vegetation height.

**Confidence level.** The probability that the true value of a parameter is within a certain interval around the estimate of its value.

*Note.*—The interval is usually referred to as the accuracy of the estimate.

**Controller-pilot data link communications (CPDLC).** A means of communication between controller and pilot, using data link for ATC communications.

**Culture.** All man-made features constructed on the surface of the Earth, such as cities, railways and canals.

**Cyclic redundancy check (CRC).** A mathematical algorithm applied to the digital expression of data that provides a level of assurance against loss or alteration of data.

**Danger area.** An airspace of defined dimensions within which activities dangerous to the flight of aircraft may exist at specified times.

**Data accuracy.** A degree of conformance between the estimated or measured value and the true value.

**Data completeness.** The degree of confidence that all of the data needed to support the intended use is provided.

**Data format.** A structure of data elements, records and files arranged to meet standards, specifications or data quality requirements.

**Data integrity (assurance level).** A degree of assurance that an aeronautical data and its value has not been lost or altered since the origination or authorized amendment.

**Data product.** Data set or data set series that conforms to a data product specification (ISO 19131*).

**Data product specification.** Detailed description of a data set or data set series together with additional information that will enable it to be created, supplied to and used by another party (ISO 19131*).

*Note.*—A data product specification provides a description of the universe of discourse and a
specification for mapping the universe of discourse to a data set. It may be used for production, sales, end-use or other purpose.

**Data quality.** A degree or level of confidence that the data provided meets the requirements of the data user in terms of accuracy, resolution, integrity (or equivalent assurance level), traceability, timeliness, completeness and format.

**Data resolution.** A number of units or digits to which a measured or calculated value is expressed and used.

**Data set.** Identifiable collection of data (ISO 19101*).

**Data set series.** Collection of data sets sharing the same product specification (ISO 19115*).

**Data timeliness.** The degree of confidence that the data is applicable to the period of its intended use.

**Data traceability.** The degree that a system or a data product can provide a record of the changes made to that product and thereby enable an audit trail to be followed from the end-user to the originator.

**Datum.** Any quantity or set of quantities that may serve as a reference or basis for the calculation of other quantities (ISO 19104*).

**Digital Elevation Model (DEM).** The representation of terrain surface by continuous elevation values at all intersections of a defined grid, referenced to common datum.

*Note.— Digital Terrain Model (DTM) is sometimes referred to as DEM.*

**Ellipsoid height (geodetic height).** The height related to the reference ellipsoid, measured along the ellipsoidal outer normal through the point in question.

**Feature.** Abstraction of real world phenomena (ISO 19101*).

**Feature attribute.** Characteristic of a feature (ISO 19101*).

*Note.— A feature attribute has a name, a data type and a value domain associated with it.*

**Feature operation.** Operation that every instance of a feature type may perform (ISO 19110*).

*Note.— An operation upon the feature type dam is to AIMD the dam. The result of this operation is to rAIMDe the level of water in the reservoir.*

**Feature relationship.** Relationship that links instances of one feature type with instances of the same or a different feature type (ISO 19101*).

**Feature type.** Class of real world phenomena with common properties (ISO 19110*).

*Note.— In a feature catalogue, the basic level of classification is the feature type.*
**Geodesic distance.** The shortest distance between any two points on a mathematically defined ellipsoidal surface.

**Geodetic datum.** A minimum set of parameters required to define location and orientation of the local reference system with respect to the global reference system/frame.

**Geoid.** The equipotential surface in the gravity field of the Earth which coincides with the undisturbed mean sea level (MSL) extended continuously through the continents.

Note.— The geoid is irregular in shape because of local gravitational disturbances (wind tides, salinity, current, etc.) and the direction of gravity is perpendicular to the geoid at every point.

**Geoid undulation.** The distance of the geoid above (positive) or below (negative) the mathematical reference ellipsoid.

Note.— In respect to the World Geodetic System — 1984 (WGS-84) defined ellipsoid, the difference between the WGS-84 ellipsoidal height and orthometric height represents WGS-84 geoid undulation.

**Gregorian calendar.** Calendar in general use; first introduced in 1582 to define a year that more closely approximates the tropical year than the Julian calendar (ISO 19108*).

Note.— In the Gregorian calendar, common years have 365 days and leap years 366 days divided into twelve sequential months.

**Height.** The vertical distance of a level, point or an object considered as a point, measured from a specific datum.

**Heliport.** An aerodrome or a defined area on a structure intended to be used wholly or in part for the arrival, departure and surface movement of helicopters.

**Human factors principles.** Principles which apply to aeronautical design, certification, training, operations and maintenance and which seek safe interface between the human and other system components by proper consideration to human performance.

**Integrity classification (aeronautical data).** Classification based upon the potential risk resulting from the use of corrupted data. Aeronautical data is classified as:

a) **routine data:** there is a very low probability when using corrupted routine data that the continued safe flight and landing of an aircraft would be severely at risk with the potential for catastrophe;

b) **essential data:** there is a low probability when using corrupted essential data that the continued safe flight and landing of an aircraft would be severely at risk with the potential for catastrophe; and

c) **critical data:** there is a high probability when using corrupted critical data that the continued safe flight and landing of an aircraft would be severely at risk with the potential for catastrophe.

**International airport.** Any airport designated by the Contracting State in whose territory it is situated as an airport of entry and departure for international air traffic, where the formalities incident to customs, immigration, public health, animal and plant quarantine and similar procedures are carried out.
International NOTAM office (NOF). An office designated by a State for the exchange of NOTAM internationally.

Logon address. A specified code used for data link logon to an ATS unit.

Manoeuvring area. That part of an aerodrome to be used for the take-off, landing and taxiing of aircraft, excluding aprons.

Metadata. Data about data (ISO 19115*).

Note.— A structured description of the content, quality, condition or other characteristics of data.

Minimum en-route altitude (MEA). The altitude for an en-route segment that provides adequate reception of relevant navigation facilities and ATS communications, complies with the airspace structure and provides the required obstacle clearance.

Minimum obstacle clearance altitude (MOCA). The minimum altitude for a defined segment of flight that provides the required obstacle clearance.

Movement area. That part of an aerodrome to be used for the take-off, landing and taxiing of aircraft, consisting of the manoeuvring area and the apron.

Navigation specification. A set of aircraft and flight crew requirements needed to support performance-based navigation operations within a defined airspace. There are two kinds of navigation specifications:

Required navigation performance (RNP) specification. A navigation specification based on area navigation that includes the requirement for performance monitoring and alerting, designated by the prefix RNP, e.g. RNP 4, RNP APCH.

Area navigation (RNAV) specification. A navigation specification based on area navigation that does not include the requirement for performance monitoring and alerting, designated by the prefix RNAV, e.g. RNAV 5, RNAV 1.


Note 2.— The concept of RNP has been overtaken by the concept of PBN. The term “RNP” is now solely used in the context of navigation specifications that require performance monitoring and alerting, e.g. RNP 4 refers to the aircraft and operating requirements, including a 4 NM lateral performance with on-board performance monitoring and alerting that are detailed in Doc 9613.

Next intended user. The entity that receives the aeronautical data or information from the aeronautical information management Department.

NOTAM. A notice distributed by means of telecommunication containing information concerning the establishment, condition or change in any aeronautical facility, service, procedure or hazard, the timely knowledge of which is essential to personnel concerned with flight operations.

Obstacle. All fixed (whether temporary or permanent) and mobile objects, or parts thereof, that:

a) are located on an area intended for the surface movement of aircraft; or

b) extend above a defined surface intended to protect aircraft in flight; or
c) stand outside those defined surfaces and that have been assessed as being a hazard to air navigation.

**Obstacle/terrain data collection surface.** A defined surface intended for the purpose of collecting obstacle/terrain data.

**Origination (aeronautical data or aeronautical information).** The creation of the value associated with new data or information or the modification of the value of existing data or information.

**Originator (aeronautical data or aeronautical information).** An entity that is accountable for data or information origination and/or from which the AIMD organization receives aeronautical data and information.

**Orthometric height.** Height of a point related to the geoid, generally presented as an MSL elevation.

**Performance-based communication (PBC).** Communication based on performance specifications applied to the provision of air traffic services.

*Note.— A required communication performance (RCP) specification includes communication performance requirements that are allocated to system components in terms of the communication to be provided and associated transaction time, continuity, availability, integrity, safety and functionality needed for the proposed operation in the context of a particular airspace concept.*

**Performance-based navigation (PBN).** Area navigation based on performance requirements for aircraft operating along an ATS route, on an instrument approach procedure or in a designated airspace.

*Note.— Performance requirements are expressed in navigation specifications (RNAV specification, RNP specification) in terms of accuracy, integrity, continuity, availability and functionality needed for the proposed operation in the context of a particular airspace concept.*

**Performance-based surveillance (PBS).** Surveillance based on performance specifications applied to the provision of air traffic services.

*Note.— A required surveillance performance (RSP) specification includes surveillance performance requirements that are allocated to system components in terms of the surveillance to be provided and associated data delivery time, continuity, availability, integrity, accuracy of the surveillance data, safety and functionality needed for the proposed operation in the context of a particular airspace concept.*

**Portrayal.** Presentation of information to humans (ISO 19117*).

**Position (geographical).** Set of coordinates (latitude and longitude) referenced to the mathematical reference ellipsoid which define the position of a point on the surface of the Earth.

**Post spacing.** Angular or linear distance between two adjacent elevation points.

**Precision.** The smallest difference that can be reliably distinguished by a measurement process.
Note.— In reference to geodetic surveys, precision is a degree of refinement in performance of an operation or a degree of perfection in the instruments and methods used when taking measurements.

Pre-flight information bulletin (PIB). A presentation of current NOTAM information of operational significance, prepared prior to flight.

Prohibited area. An airspace of defined dimensions, above the land areas or territorial waters of a State, within which the flight of aircraft is prohibited.

Quality. Degree to which a set of inherent characteristics fulfils requirements (ISO 9000*).

Note 1.— The term “quality” can be used with adjectives such as poor, good or excellent.

Note 2.— “Inherent”, as opposed to “assigned”, means existing in something, especially as a permanent characteristic.

Quality assurance. Part of quality management focused on providing confidence that quality requirements will be fulfilled (ISO 9000*).

Quality control. Part of quality management focused on fulfilling quality requirements (ISO 9000*).

Quality management. Coordinated activities to direct and control an organization with regard to quality (ISO 9000*).

Radio navigation service. A service providing guidance information or position data for the efficient and safe operation of aircraft supported by one or more radio navigation aids.

Required communication performance (RCP) specification. A set of requirements for air traffic service provision and associated ground equipment, aircraft capability, and operations needed to support performance-based communication.

Required surveillance performance (RSP) specification. A set of requirements for air traffic service provision and associated ground equipment, aircraft capability, and operations needed to support performance-based surveillance.

Requirement. Need or expectation that is stated, generally implied or obligatory (ISO 9000*).

Note 1.— “Generally implied” means that it is custom or common practice for the organization, its customers and other interested parties, that the need or expectation under consideration is implied.

Note 2.— A qualifier can be used to denote a specific type of requirement, e.g. product requirement, quality management requirement, customer requirement.

Note 3.— A specified requirement is one which is stated, for example, in a document.

Note 4.— Requirements can be generated by different interested parties.

Restricted area. An airspace of defined dimensions, above the land areas or territorial waters of a State, within which the flight of aircraft is restricted in accordance with certain specified conditions.

Route stage. A route or portion of a route flown without an intermediate landing.
SNOWTAM. A special series NOTAM notifying the presence or removal of hazardous conditions due to snow, ice, slush or standing water associated with snow, slush and ice on the movement area, by means of a specific format.

SNOWTAM. A special series NOTAM given in a standard format providing a surface condition report notifying the presence or cessation of hazardous conditions due to snow, ice, slush, frost, standing water or water associated with snow, slush, ice or frost on the movement area.

Station declination. An alignment variation between the zero degree radial of a VOR and true north, determined at the time the VOR station is calibrated.

Terrain. The surface of the Earth containing naturally occurring features such as mountains, hills, ridges, valleys, bodies of water, permanent ice and snow, and excluding obstacles.

Traceability. Ability to trace the history, application or location of that which is under consideration (ISO 9000*).

Note.— When considering product, traceability can relate to:

— the origin of materials and parts;
— the processing history; and
— the distribution and location of the product after delivery.

Validation. Confirmation, through the provision of objective evidence, that the requirements for a specific intended use or application have been fulfilled (ISO 9000*).

Verification. Confirmation, through the provision of objective evidence, that specified requirements have been fulfilled (ISO 9000*).

Note.— The term “verified” is used to designate the corresponding status.

VOLMET. Meteorological information for aircraft in flight.

Data link-VOLMET (D-VOLMET). Provision of current aerodrome routine meteorological reports (METAR) and aerodrome special meteorological reports (SPECI), aerodrome forecasts (TAF), SIGMET, special air-reports not covered by a SIGMET and, where available, AIRMET via data link.

VOLMET broadcast. Provision, as appropriate, of current METAR, SPECI, TAF and SIGMET by means of continuous and repetitive voice broadcasts.

* ISO Standard
8601 — Data elements and interchange formats — Information interchange — Representation of dates and times
9000 — Quality Management Systems — Fundamentals and Vocabulary
19101 — Geographic information — Reference model 19104 — Geographic information — Terminology 19108 — Geographic information — Temporal schema
19109 — Geographic information — Rules for application schema 19110 — Geographic information
Chapter 2

AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

2.1 INFORMATION MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Management of aeronautical data and aeronautical information should include the following processes:

a) collection;

b) processing;

c) quality control; and

d) distribution.

2.1.1 Collection

2.1.1.1 The identification of data originators should be documented based on the scope of aeronautical data and aeronautical information to be collected.

2.1.1.2 A record of data originators should be maintained.

Note.— Metadata requirements in Chapter 4 specify the information to be recorded for each originator.

2.1.1.3 Each data element to be collected should be mapped to an identified data originator, in accordance with the Service Level Agreement established between data originators and the aeronautical information management Department (AIMD). Refer Template of Service Level Agreement between data originators and AIMD in Appendix 2.

2.1.1.4 The list of aeronautical information subjects and their properties, as contained in Appendix 1, should be used to establish Service Level Agreement between the originators and the AIMD.

2.1.1.5 Valid codes for the code lists of the aeronautical data properties and sub-properties, as contained in Appendix 1, should be defined in the Service Level Agreement between the originators and the AIMD.

2.1.1.6 Appendix 1 should be considered as a reference for aeronautical data and aeronautical information origination and publication requirements.

Note 1.— Appendix 1 presents the scope of data and information that can be collected and maintained by the AIMD.

Note 2.— Appendix 1 provides a common language that can be used by data originators and the AIMD.
2.1.2 Processing

2.1.2.1 Collected data should be verified and validated for compliance with data quality requirements.

Note 1.— Appendix 1 contains aeronautical data attributes and quality requirements (accuracy, resolution and integrity).

Note 2.— Guidance material on the aeronautical data quality requirements (accuracy, resolution, integrity and traceability and protection requirements) may be found in the World Geodetic System — 1984 (WGS-84) Manual (Doc 9674).

Note 3.— Supporting data quality material in respect of data accuracy, publication resolution, and integrity of aeronautical data, together with guidance material in respect to the rounding convention for aeronautical data, is contained in Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics (RTCA) Document DO-201A/European Organization for Civil Aviation Equipment (EUROCAE) Document ED-77 — Standards for Aeronautical Information (or equivalent).

Note 4.— Guidance material on the management of aeronautical data quality is included in the Manual on the Quality Management System for Aeronautical Information Management (Doc 9839).

Note 5.— Verification activities may include:

a) comparison processes in which data and information are compared with an independent source;

b) feedback processes in which data and information are compared between their input and output state;

c) processing through multiple independent and different systems, comparing the output of each; this includes performing alternative calculations; and

d) processes in which data and information are compared to the originator’s request.

Note 6.— Validation activities may include:

a) application processes in which data and information are tested;

b) processes in which data and information are compared between two different outputs; and

c) processes in which data and information are compared to an expected range, value or other business rules.

2.1.2.2 Automation systems implemented for processing aeronautical data and aeronautical information should ensure traceability of the performed actions.

2.1.3 Quality control

Note — Error-producing faults in the entire process may be mitigated by additional data quality assurance techniques as may be required. These may include application tests for critical data (for example, by flight check); the use of security, logic, semantic, comparison and redundancy checks; digital error detection; and the qualification of human resources and process tools, such as hardware and software.
2.1.3.1 Quality checks should be implemented to ensure compliance with product specifications contained in Chapter 5. Make a compliance checklist.

2.1.3.2 When the same data is duplicated in different aeronautical information products, consistency checks should be undertaken.

2.1.4 Distribution

(To be developed.)

2.2 DATA INTEGRITY MONITORING AND ASSURANCE

2.2.1 Data integrity should be assured by employing cryptographic technologies (e.g. hash functions, message authentication codes, asymmetric and symmetric encryption, and digital certificates).

Note.— Guidance material in respect to the processing of aeronautical data and aeronautical information is contained in RTCA DO-200B/EUROCAE ED-76A — Standards for Processing Aeronautical Data.

2.2.2 The technical means used for data error detection should be based on the use of systematic cycling codes.

Note.— The means to implement systematic cycling codes include the use of hash functions and cyclic redundancy check (CRC).
Chapter 3

QUALITY MANAGEMENT

3.1 QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Note 1.— This chapter provides general requirements on the quality management system (QMS) related to aeronautical information management (AIM) processes.

Note 2.— Detailed guidance can be found in the Manual on the Quality Management System for Aeronautical Information Management (Doc 9839).

3.1.1 The general requirements for a QMS should be to:

a) develop a quality manual that includes the scope of a QMS as applied to AIM processes;

b) identify the processes needed for the QMS;

c) determine the sequence and interaction of these processes;

d) determine criteria and methods required to ensure the effective operation and control of these processes;

e) ensure the availability of information necessary to support the operation and monitoring of these processes;

f) measure, monitor and analyses these processes, and implement action necessary to achieve planned results and continual improvement; and

g) maintain appropriate records that are necessary to provide confidence of conformity of the processes and resulting product.

3.1.2 In the framework of the QMS, a user feedback system should be defined and implemented.

Note 1.— Quality management may be provided by a single QMS or a series of QMS.

Note 2.— The International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 9000 series of quality assurance standards provide a basic framework for the development of a quality assurance programme.

Note 3.— Service Level Agreement concerning data quality between the originator and the aeronautical information management Department (AIMD) and between the AIMD and the next intended user may be used to manage the aeronautical information data chain.

Note 4.— Guidance material concerning a training methodology to ensure the competency of personnel is contained in the Aeronautical Information Management Training Development Manual (Doc.9991).
Chapter-4

AERONAUTICAL DATA REQUIREMENTS

4.1 DATA ORIGINATION REQUIREMENTS

4.1.1 Data should be collected and transmitted to the aeronautical information management Department (AIMD) in accordance with the accuracy requirements and integrity classification specified in Appendix 1.

4.1.2 Positional data should be classified as: surveyed points (e.g. navigation aid positions, runway threshold); calculated points (mathematical calculations from the known surveyed points of points in space, fixes); or declared points (e.g. flight information region boundary points).

4.1.3 Geographical coordinates indicating latitude and longitude should be determined and reported to the AIMD in terms of the World Geodetic System – 1984 (WGS-84) geodetic reference datum.

4.1.4 Geographical coordinates that have been transformed into WGS-84 coordinates by mathematical means and whose accuracy of original field work does not meet the applicable requirements contained in Appendix 1 should be identified.

4.1.5 In addition to elevation referenced to the MSL (geoid), for the specific surveyed ground positions, geoid undulation (referenced to the WGS-84 ellipsoid) for those positions specified in Appendix 2 should also be published.

4.2 METADATA REQUIREMENTS

The metadata to be collected should include, as a minimum:

a) the names of the organizations or entities performing any action of originating, transmitting or manipulating the data;

b) the action performed; and

c) the date and time the action was performed.

Note.—ISO Standard 19115 specifies requirements for geographic information metadata.
Chapter 5

AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

5.1 GENERAL

5.1.1 Aeronautical data should be provided in accordance with the resolution requirements contained in Appendix 1.

5.1.2 Geographical coordinates whose accuracy does not meet the requirements specified in Appendix 1 should be identified.

5.1.3 The identification of geographical coordinates whose accuracy does not meet the requirements may be made either with an annotation or by explicitly providing the actual accuracy value.

5.1.3.1 In aeronautical information products that are distributed on paper, the identification should be done with an asterisk following the coordinate value concerned.

5.2 AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION IN A STANDARDIZED PRESENTATION

5.2.1 Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP)

5.2.1.1 Contents

5.2.1.1.1 The AIP should contain concise, current information relating to, and arranged under, the subject headings listed in Appendix 2. This facilitates both the locating of information under a specific heading and the storage/retrieval of the information using automated processing.

5.2.1.1.2 If no facilities or services are provided or no information is available for publication in respect of one of the categories of information specified in Appendix 2, an indication should be given as to which of these circumstances applies (e.g. “NIL” or “Not AVBL”).

5.2.1.1.3 When the AIP data set (as specified in 5.3.3.1) is provided, the following sections of the AIP may be omitted and reference to the data set availability should be provided:

a) GEN 2.5 List of radio navigation aids;
b) ENR 2.1 FIR, UIR, TMA and CTA;
c) ENR 3.1 Lower ATS routes;
d) ENR 3.2 Upper ATS routes;

e) ENR 3.3 Area navigation routes;

f) ENR 3.4 Helicopter routes;

g) ENR 3.5 Other routes;

h) ENR 3.6 En-route holding;

i) ENR 4.1 Radio navigation aids — en-route;

j) ENR 4.2 Special navigation systems;

k) ENR 4.4 Name-code designators for significant points;

l) ENR 4.5 Aeronautical ground lights — en-route;

m) ENR 5.1 Prohibited, restricted and danger areas;

n) ENR 5.2 Military exercise and training areas and air defence identification zone (ADIZ);

o) ENR 5.3.1 Other activities of a dangerous nature;

p) ENR 5.3.2 Other potential hazards;

q) ENR 5.5 Aerial sporting and recreational activities;

r) ****AD 2.17 Air traffic services airspace;

s) **** AD 2.19 Radio navigation and landing aids;

t) **** AD 3.16 Air traffic services airspace; and

u) **** AD 3.18 Radio navigation and landing aids.

5.2.1.1.4 When the Obstacle Data Set (as specified in 5.3.3.2.2) is provided, the following sections of the AIP may be omitted and a reference to the data set availability should be provided:

a) ENR 5.4 Air navigation obstacles;

b) ****AD 2.10 Aerodrome obstacles; and

c) ****AD 3.10 Heliport obstacles.

5.2.1.2 General specification

5.2.1.2.1 The issuing State and publishing authority should be clearly indicated.

5.2.1.2.2 AIP should be self-contained and should include a table of contents.
Note.—If it is necessary by reason of bulk or for convenience, to publish an AIP in two or more parts or volumes, each of them will indicate that the remainder of the information is to be found in the other part(s) or volume(s).

5.2.1.2.3 AIP should not duplicate information within itself or from other sources.

5.2.1.2.4 An AIP should be organized in three parts (GEN, ENR and AD), sections and subsections, except when the AIP, or a volume of the AIP, is designed to facilitate operational use in flight, in which case the precise format and arrangement may be left to the discretion of the Civil Aviation Safety Regulation Directorate provided that an adequate table of contents is included.

5.2.1.2.5 AIP should be dated.

5.2.1.2.5.1 The date, consisting of the day, month (by name) and year, should be the publication date or the effective date (AIRAC) of the information.

5.2.1.2.6 Charts, maps or diagrams should be used to complement or as a substitute for the tabulations or text of AIP.

Note.—Where appropriate, charts produced in conformity with Annex 4 may be used to fulfil this requirement. Guidance material as to the specifications of index maps and diagrams included in AIP is contained in the Aeronautical Information Service Manual (Doc 8126).

5.2.1.2.7 When listing locations, the city or town should be given in capital letters followed, where the facility is an aerodrome/heliport or is located at an aerodrome/heliport, by an oblique stroke and the name of the aerodrome/heliport in smaller capital letters or lower case type. Unless otherwise indicated, the list should be in alphabetical order.

5.2.1.2.8 The spelling of place names should conform with local usage, transliterated where necessary into the ISO basic Latin alphabet.

5.2.1.2.9 In the indication of the geographical coordinates of a location:

a) the latitude should be given first;

b) symbols for degrees, minutes or seconds should be omitted;

c) two digits should always be used in expressing values of less than 10 degrees of latitude;

d) three digits should always be used in expressing values of less than 100 degrees of longitude; and

e) the letters N, S, E, W should be used to indicate the cardinal points of the compass to the latitude and longitude as appropriate.

5.2.1.2.10 When describing periods of activity, availability or operation, the applicable days and times should be specified.

5.2.1.2.11 The units of measurement selected for use in the AIP, e.g. dimensions on aerodromes, distances, elevations or altitudes, should be consistently followed and should adhere to Annex 5 — Units of Measurement to be Used in Air and Ground Operations.

5.2.1.2.12 Index maps and diagrams included in the AIP should comply with the following specifications:

a) Base map: The base map should be an outline map of the area adapted from existing material with general
b) **Sheet size and scale:** The overall dimensions should be 210 mm × 297 mm. If a larger map is required, it should be folded to conform to this size. A uniform scale should be used for all charts produced as a series and other charts where practicable.

c) **Title and marginal notes:** The title should be shown on the top border and should be as short and simple as possible.

d) **Colors:** The number of colors used should be kept to a minimum. If more than one color is used, the colors should offer adequate contrast.

e) **Symbols:** Symbols should conform, where practicable, to the ICAO chart symbols shown in CAR 4 — *Aeronautical Charts*, Appendix 2. The basic, general purpose symbols for AIP index maps are a filled circle • and an empty circle ○. Except when the symbols used are self-explanatory, a legend should be provided. For details for which no ICAO symbol has been provided, any appropriate symbol may be chosen provided it does not conflict with an ICAO symbol.

5.2.1.3 Specifications for AIP Amendments

5.2.1.3.1 Operationally significant changes to the AIP should be published in accordance with Aeronautical Information Regulation and Control (AIRAC) procedures and should be clearly identified by the acronym AIRAC.

5.2.1.3.2 AIM Department should establish the regular interval or publication dates for its AIP Amendments, and intervals or publication dates should be included in the AIP, Part 1 — General (GEN).

5.2.1.3.3 New or revised information contained in the AIP should be identified.

5.2.1.3.4 Each AIP Amendment should be allocated a serial number, which should be consecutive.

5.2.1.3.5 Each AIP Amendment should contain a publication date.

5.2.1.3.6 Each AIRAC AIP Amendment should contain an effective date.

5.2.1.3.6.1 When an effective time other than 0000 UTC is used, the effective time should also be indicated.

5.2.1.3.7 When an AIP Amendment is issued, it should include references to the serial number of the AIP Supplement or the series and number of the NOTAM which has been incorporated into the amendment.

5.2.1.3.8 A brief indication of the subjects affected by the amendment should be given on the AIP Amendment cover sheet.

5.2.1.3.9 Each amendment should include a checklist giving the current date of each loose-leaf page in the AIP, and should provide a recapitulation of any outstanding manuscript corrections. The checklist should carry both the page number and date.
5.2.1.4 Specifications for AIP Supplements

Note.— Since the AIP is subject to frequent change, provisions exist for its continual updating. In addition, changes of a temporary nature affecting the contents of an AIP are often required to cater for unexpected circumstances or, in some cases, planned modifications to a service/facility.

5.2.1.4.1 Each AIP Supplement should be allocated a serial number which should be consecutive and based on the calendar year.

Note.— Guidance material on the use of AIP Supplements together with examples of such use is contained in Doc 8126.

5.2.1.4.2 Each AIP Supplement should be provided on distinctive pages allowing for easy identification from the regular AIP content.

5.2.1.4.3 Whenever an AIP Supplement is issued as a replacement of a NOTAM, a reference to the series and number of the NOTAM should be included.

5.2.1.4.4 A checklist of valid AIP Supplements should be issued at intervals of not more than one month as part of the checklist of NOTAM required by 5.2.5.3 and with distribution as for the AIP Supplements.

5.2.1.4.5 Each AIP Supplement page should show a publication date.

5.2.1.4.6 Each AIRAC AIP Supplement page should show a publication date and an effective date.

5.2.2 Aeronautical Information Circulars (AIC)

5.2.2.1 An AIC should be provided whenever it is desirable to promulgate:

a) forecasts of important changes in the air navigation procedures, services and facilities provided;

b) forecasts of implementation of new navigation systems;

c) significant information arising from aircraft accident/incident investigation which has a bearing on flight safety;

d) information on regulations relating to the safeguarding of international civil aviation against acts of unlawful interference;

e) advice on medical matters of special interest to pilots;

f) warnings to pilots concerning the avoidance of physical hazards;

g) effect of certain weather phenomena on aircraft operations;

h) information on new hazards affecting aircraft handling techniques;

i) regulations relating to the carriage of restricted articles by air;
j) reference to the requirements of, and publication of changes in, national legislation;

k) flight crew licensing arrangements;

l) training of aviation personnel;

m) application of, or exemption from, requirements in national legislation;

n) advice on the use and maintenance of specific types of equipment;

o) actual or planned availability of new or revised editions of aeronautical charts;

p) carriage of communication equipment;

q) explanatory information relating to noise abatement;

r) airworthiness directives;

s) changes in NOTAM series or distribution, new editions of AIP or major changes in their contents, coverage or format;

t) advance information on the snow plan (see 5.2.2.2);

u) other information of a similar nature.

5.2.2.2 The snow plan issued under AD 1.2.2 of the AIP should be supplemented by seasonal information, to be issued well in advance of the beginning of each winter (not less than one month before the normal onset of winter conditions) and should contain information such as that listed below:

a) until 4 November 2020, a list of aerodromes/heliports where snow clearance is expected to be performed during the coming winter:

   a) as of 5 November 2020, a list of aerodromes/heliports where snow, slush, ice or frost clearance is expected to be performed during the coming winter:

      *1) in accordance with the runway and taxiway systems; or

      *2) planned snow clearing, deviating from the runway system (length, width and number of runways, affected taxiways and aprons or portions thereof);

   *b) information concerning any center designated to coordinate information on the current state of progress of clearance and on the current state of runways, taxiways and aprons;

   c) a division of the aerodromes/heliports into SNOWTAM distribution lists in order to avoid excessive NOTAM distribution;

   *d) an indication, as necessary, of minor changes to the standing snow plan;

   *e) a descriptive list of clearance equipment;

   *f) a list of what will be considered as the minimum critical snow bank to be reported at each aerodrome/heliport.
at which reporting will commence.

5.2.2.3 The AIM Department should select the AIC that are to be given international distribution.

5.2.2.4 AIM Department should give AIC selected for international distribution the same distribution as for the AIP.

5.2.2.5 Distribution of AIC on a national basis is left to the discretion of the AIM Department.

5.2.2.6 Each AIC should be allocated a serial number which should be consecutive and based on the calendar year.

Note.—Since AIC information is often effective for long periods and requires little amendment, it will usually be found that AIC can, if necessary, remain outstanding for several years without inconvenience. A review and re-issue on a yearly basis is however advisable.

5.2.2.7 In the event that AIC are provided in more than one series, each series should be separately identified by a letter (e.g. A 2/02, B 4/02).

5.2.2.8 A checklist of AIC currently in force should be issued at least once a year, with distribution as for the AIC.

5.2.2.9 A checklist of AIC provided internationally should be included in the NOTAM checklist.

5.2.3 Printed products

5.2.3.1 Printed AIP

5.2.3.1.1 When the AIP is issued as a printed volume, it should be published in loose-leaf form unless the complete publication is reissued at frequent intervals.

5.2.3.1.2 Each AIP issued as a printed volume and each page of an AIP issued in loose-leaf form should be so annotated as to indicate clearly:

a) the identity of the AIP;

b) the territory covered and subdivisions when necessary;

c) the identification of the issuing and producing organization (authority); and

d) page numbers/chart titles.

5.2.3.1.3 The issuing organization (authority) should be clearly indicated on the cover and in the table of contents.

5.2.3.1.4 The normal method of amendment of the printed volume AIP should be by means of replacement sheets.

5.2.3.1.5 New or revised information should be identified by an annotation against it in the margin. A thick black vertical line or, where the change incorporated covers one line only or a part of a line, a thick black horizontal arrow, is sufficient to identify the change.

5.2.3.1.6 Each AIP Amendment page, including the cover sheet, should contain a publication date and, when applicable, an effective date.

5.2.3.1.7 When the AIP is provided in more than one volume, each volume should include a:
5.2.3.1.8 When the AIP is published as one volume, the above-mentioned subsections appear only in Part 1 — GEN and the annotation “not applicable” should be entered against each of these subsections in Parts 2 and 3.

5.2.3.1.9 System of page numbering adaptable to the addition or deletion of sheets should be adopted. The page number should include:

a) an identification of the part of the AIP;

b) the section; and

c) the subsection, as applicable;

thus creating a separate set of numbers for each subject (e.g. GEN 2.1-3, ENR 4.1-1 or AD 2.2-3).

5.2.3.1.10 A checklist giving the current date of each page in the AIP should be reissued frequently to assist the user in maintaining a current publication.

5.2.3.1.11 The sheet size should be no larger than 210 × 297 mm (A4 size), except that larger sheets may be used provided they are folded to the same size.

5.2.3.1.12 When a small number of charts are to be included and chart size is not larger than 210 mm × 297 mm or allows for folding to these dimensions, they should be contained in the AIP. If, on the other hand, there are many charts and they are frequently amended, it may be convenient to place them in a separate volume with a separate subscription service.

5.2.3.1.13 Maps and charts included in the AIP should be paginated in the same manner as other material.

5.2.3.1.14 AIP Supplement pages should be colored in order to be conspicuous, preferably in yellow.

5.2.3.1.15 AIP Supplement pages should be kept as the first item in the AIP parts.

Note.— To eliminate the need to continuously refer to the front of the AIP for the required information, the Supplements may be divided into specific parts (e.g GEN, ENR, AD) for insertion in each AIP part, as necessary.

5.2.3.1.16 AIP Supplement pages should be kept in the AIP as long as all or some of their contents remain valid.

5.2.3.2 Printed AIC

5.2.3.2.1 Differentiation and identification of AIC topics according to subjects using color coding should be
practiced where the numbers of AIC in force are sufficient to make identification in this form necessary.

5.2.3.2.2 AIC should be color coded by subject where there are sufficient circulars in force to warrant such identification, e.g.:

a) white — administrative;

b) yellow — air traffic control (ATC);

c) pink — safety;

d) mauve — danger area map; and

e) green — maps/charts.

5.2.4 Electronic AIP (e-AIP)

Note.— Guidance material for the production and provision of the e-AIP is contained in Doc 8126.

5.2.4.1 When provided, the information content of the e-AIP and the structure of chapters, sections and sub-sections should follow the content and structure of the paper AIP. The e-AIP should include files that allow for printing a paper AIP.

5.2.4.2 New or revised information should be identified either by an annotation against it in the margin or by a mechanism that allows comparing the new/revised information with the previous information.

5.2.4.3 When provided, the e-AIP should be available on a physical distribution medium (CD, DVD, etc.) and/or online on the Internet.

Note.— Guidance material on the use of the Internet is contained in Guidelines on the Use of the Public Internet for Aeronautical Applications (Doc 9855).

5.2.5 NOTAM

5.2.5.1 General specifications

5.2.5.1.1 Except as otherwise provided in 5.2.5.1.4 and 5.2.5.1.5, each NOTAM should contain the information in the order shown in the NOTAM Format in Appendix 3.

Note.— Detailed guidance material covering NOTAM, SNOWTAM, ASHTAM and pre-flight information bulletin (PIB) production is contained in Doc 8126.

5.2.5.1.2 NOTAM text should be composed of the significations/uniform abbreviated phraseology assigned to the ICAO NOTAM Code complemented by ICAO abbreviations, indicators, identifiers, designators, call signs, frequencies, figures and plain language.

Note 1.— The ICAO NOTAM Code together with significations/uniform abbreviated phraseology, and ICAO abbreviations, are contained in the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — ICAO Abbreviations and Codes (PANS-ABC, Doc 8400).
Note 2.— Additional procedures covering the reporting of runway surface conditions are contained in the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Aerodromes (PANS-Aerodromes, Doc 9981).

5.2.5.1.3 All NOTAM should be issued in the English language.

Note.— If necessary for domestic users, NOTAM may additionally be issued in a national language.

5.2.5.1.4 Until 4 November 2020, information concerning snow, slush, ice and standing water on aerodrome/heliport pavements shall, when reported by means of a SNOWTAM, contain the information in the order shown in the SNOWTAM Format in Appendix 4.

5.2.5.1.4 As of 5 November 2020, information concerning snow, slush, ice, frost, standing water, or water associated with snow, slush, ice or frost on the movement area should be disseminated by means of a SNOWTAM, and should contain the information in the order shown in the SNOWTAM Format in Appendix 4.

Note.— The origin and order of the information is a result of assessment processes and procedures prescribed in the PANS-Aerodromes (Doc 9981).

5.2.5.1.5 Information concerning an operationally significant change in volcanic activity, volcanic eruption and/or volcanic ash cloud shall, when reported by means of an ASHTAM, contain the information in the order shown in the ASHTAM Format in Appendix 5.

5.2.5.1.6 When errors occur in a NOTAM, a NOTAM with a new number to replace the erroneous NOTAM should be issued or the erroneous NOTAM should be cancelled and a new NOTAM issued.

5.2.5.1.7 When a NOTAM is issued which cancels or replaces a previous NOTAM, the series and number of the previous NOTAM should be indicated.

5.2.5.1.7.1 The series, location indicator and subject of both NOTAM should be the same.

5.2.5.1.8 Only one NOTAM should be cancelled or replaced by a NOTAM.

5.2.5.1.9 Each NOTAM should deal with only one subject and one condition of the subject.

Note.— Guidance material concerning the combination of a subject and a condition of the subject in accordance with the NOTAM Selection Criteria is contained in Doc 8126.

5.2.5.1.10 Each NOTAM should be as brief as possible and so compiled that its meaning is clear without the need to refer to another document.

5.2.5.1.11 Each NOTAM should be transmitted as a single telecommunication message.

5.2.5.1.12 NOTAM containing permanent information or temporary information of long duration should carry appropriate AIP or AIP Supplement references.

5.2.5.1.13 Location indicators included in the text of a NOTAM should be those contained in Location Indicators (Doc 7910).

5.2.5.1.13.1 In no case should a curtailed form of such indicators be used.
5.2.5.1.14 Where no ICAO location indicator is assigned to the location, its place name should be entered in plain language, spelt in conformity with local usage.

5.2.5.2 NOTAM number and series allocation

5.2.5.2.1 The international NOTAM office should allocate to each NOTAM a series identified by a letter and a four-digit number followed by a stroke and a two-digit number for the year. The four-digit number should be consecutive and based on the calendar year.

5.2.5.2.2 Letters S and T should not be used to identify a NOTAM series.

5.2.5.2.3 All NOTAM should be divided in series based on subject, traffic or location or a combination thereof, depending on end-user needs. NOTAM for aerodromes allowing international air traffic should be issued in international NOTAM series.

5.2.5.2.4 NOTAM are issued in both English and a national language, the NOTAM series should be organized such that the national language series is equivalent to the English language series in terms of content.

5.2.5.2.4.1 Whenever possible, the national language series should have the same numbering as the English language series to facilitate comparison.

5.2.5.2.5 The content and geographical coverage of each NOTAM series should be stated in detail in the AIP, section GEN 3.

5.2.5.2.6 Series allocation should be monitored and, if required, appropriate measures should be taken to assure that no series reach the maximum possible number of issued NOTAM before the end of the calendar year.

5.2.5.3 NOTAM checklist

5.2.5.3.1 A checklist of valid NOTAM should be issued as a NOTAM checklist at intervals of not more than one month.

Note.—Omitting a NOTAM from the checklist does not cancel a NOTAM.
5.2.5.3.2 One NOTAM checklist should be issued for each series.

5.2.5.3.3 A NOTAM checklist should refer to the latest AIP Amendments, AIP Supplements, data sets and at least the internationally distributed AIC, and, when it is selected, include the checklist of AIP Supplements.

5.2.5.3.4 A NOTAM checklist should have the same distribution as the actual message series to which it refers and should be clearly identified as a checklist.

5.3 DIGITAL DATA

5.3.1 General provisions

5.3.1.1 To facilitate and support the use of exchange of digital data sets between data providers and data users, the ISO 19100 series of standards for geographic information should be used as a reference framework.

Note.— Guidance material concerning the use of the ISO 19100 series of standards is contained in Doc 8126.

5.3.1.2 A description of available digital data sets should be provided in the form of data product specifications on which basis air navigation users will be able to evaluate the products and determine whether they fulfil the requirements for their intended use (application).

Note.— ISO Standard 19131 outlines the specifications for geographic data products. This may include an overview, specification scope, data product identification, data content and structure, reference system, data quality, data capture, data maintenance, data portrayal, data product delivery, additional information and metadata.

5.3.1.3 The content and structure of digital data sets should be defined in terms of an application schema and a feature catalogue.


5.3.1.4 The aeronautical information model used should encompass the aeronautical data and aeronautical information to be exchanged.

5.3.1.5 The aeronautical information model used should:

a) use Unified Modelling Language (UML) to describe the aeronautical information features and their properties, associations and data types; include data value constraints and data verification rules;

b) include provisions for metadata as specified in 4.2 and 5.3.2; and

c) include a temporality model to enable capturing the evolution of the properties of an aeronautical information feature during its life cycle.

5.3.1.6 The aeronautical data exchange model used should:
a) apply a commonly used data encoding format;

b) cover all the classes, attributes, data types and associations of the aeronautical information model detailed in 5.3.1.5; and

c) provide an extension mechanism by which groups of users can extend the properties of existing features and add new features which do not adversely affect global standardization.

Note 1. — The intent of using a commonly used data encoding format is to ensure interoperability of aeronautical data exchange between agencies and organizations involved in the data processing chain.

Note 2. — Examples of commonly used data encoding formats include Extensible Markup Language (XML), Geography Markup Language (GML) and JavaScript Object Notation (JSON).

5.3.1.7 Charts, maps or diagrams should be used to complement digital data sets.

5.3.2 Metadata

Each data set should include the following minimum set of metadata:

a) the names of the organization or entities providing the data set;

b) the date and time when the data set was provided;

c) period of validity of the data set; and

d) any limitations with regard to the use of the data set.

Note. — ISO Standard 19115 specifies requirements for geographic information metadata.

5.3.3 Data sets

Note. — A data subject may appear in multiple data sets.

5.3.3.1 AIP data set

Note. — The purpose of the AIP data set is to support the transition of the ATM domain towards the use of digital data sets instead of paper products. Therefore, its scope is defined considering the likelihood that the data contained in this set is being used in digital format by service providers, ATC and instrument flight rules/visual flight rules (IFR/VFR) airspace users.

5.3.3.1.1 The AIP data set should include data about the following subjects, with the properties indicated in brackets being included as a minimum (if applicable):

a) air traffic services (ATS) airspace (type, name, lateral limits, vertical limits, class of airspace);
b) special activity airspace (type, name, lateral limits, vertical limits, restriction, activation);

c) ATS route and other route (designator, flight rules);

d) route segment (navigation specification, from point, to point, track, length, upper limit, lower limit, minimum en-route altitude (MEA), minimum obstacle clearance altitude (MOCA), direction of cruising level, required navigation performance);

e) waypoint – en-route (identification, location, formation);

f) aerodrome/heliport (ICAO location indicator, name, designator IATA, served city, certified ICAO, certification date, certification expiration date, control type, field elevation, reference temperature, magnetic variation, reference point);

g) runway (designator, nominal length, nominal width, surface type, strength);

h) runway direction (designator, true bearing, threshold, take off run available (TORA), take-off distance available (TODA), accelerate-stop distance available (ASDA), landing distance available (LDA));

i) final approach and take-off (FATO) (designation, length, width, threshold point);

j) touchdown and left-off (TLOF) (designator, centre point, length, width, surface type);

k) radio navigation aid (type, identification, name, aerodrome/heliport served, hours of operation, magnetic variation, frequency/channel, position, elevation, magnetic bearing, true bearing, zero bearing direction);

Note 1.— The description of the data subjects, together with their properties, data type and applicable data quality requirements, is provided in Appendix 1.

Note 2.— The AIP data set includes relevant AIP Amendments and AIP Supplements.

5.3.3.1.2 When a property is not defined for a particular occurrence of the subjects listed in 5.3.3.1.1, the AIP data subset should include an explicit “not applicable” indication.

5.3.3.2 Terrain and obstacle data sets

Note.— Terrain and obstacle data is intended to be used in the following air navigation applications:

a) ground proximity warning system with forward looking terrain avoidance function and minimum safe altitude warning (MSAW) system;

b) determination of contingency procedures for use in the event of an emergency during a missed approach or take-off;

c) aircraft operating limitations analysis;

d) instrument procedure design (including circling procedure);

e) determination of en-route “drift-down” procedure and en-route emergency landing location;

f) advanced surface movement guidance and control system (A-SMGCS); and
The data may also be used in other applications, such as training/flight simulator and synthetic vision systems, and may assist in determining the height restriction or removal of obstacles that pose a hazard to air navigation.

5.3.3.2.1 Terrain data set

5.3.3.2.1.1 A terrain grid should be angular or linear and should be of regular or irregular shape.

Note.— In regions of higher latitudes, latitude grid spacing may be adjusted to maintain a constant linear density of measurement points.

5.3.3.2.1.2 Sets of terrain data should include spatial (position and elevation), thematic and temporal aspects for the surface of the Earth containing naturally occurring features such as mountains, hills, ridges, valleys, bodies of water, and permanent ice and snow, and exclude obstacles. Depending on the acquisition method used, this should represent the continuous surface that exists at the bare Earth, the top of the canopy or something in-between, also known as “first reflective surface”.

5.3.3.2.1.3 In terrain data sets, only one feature type, i.e. terrain, should be provided. Feature attributes describing terrain should be those listed in Appendix 6, Table A6-1. The terrain feature attributes listed in Appendix 6, Table A6-1 represent the minimum set of terrain attributes, and those annotated as mandatory should be recorded in the terrain data set.

5.3.3.2.1.4 Terrain data for each area should conform to the applicable numerical requirements in Appendix 1.

5.3.3.2.2 Obstacle data set

5.3.3.2.2.1 Obstacle data elements are features that should be represented in the data sets by points, lines or polygons.

5.3.3.2.2.2 In an obstacle data set, all defined obstacle feature types should be provided and each of them should be described according to the list of mandatory attributes provided in Appendix 6, Table A6-2.

Note.— By definition, obstacles can be fixed (permanent or temporary) or mobile. Specific attributes associated with mobile (feature operations) and temporary types of obstacles are annotated in Appendix 6, Table A6-2 as optional attributes. If these types of obstacles are to be provided in the data set, appropriate attributes describing such obstacles are also required.

5.3.3.2.2.3 Obstacle data for each area should conform to the applicable numerical requirements contained in Appendix 1.

5.3.3.2.2.4 The obstacle data product specification, supported by geographical coordinates for each aerodrome included within the data set, should describe the following areas:

a) Areas 2a, 2b, 2c, 2d;

b) the take-off flight path area; and

c) the obstacle limitation surfaces.

Note.— Area 4 terrain data and Area 2 obstacle data are normally sufficient to support the production of the Precision Approach Terrain Chart — ICAO. When more detailed obstacle data are required for Area 4, these may be provided in accordance with the Area 4 obstacle data requirements specified in Appendix 6, Table A6-2. Guidance on
5.3.3.3 Aerodrome mapping data sets

Note 1.— Aerodrome mapping data includes aerodrome geographic information that supports applications which improve the user’s situational awareness or supplements surface navigation, thereby increasing safety margins and operational efficiency. Aerodrome mapping data sets with appropriate data element accuracy support requirements for collaborative decision making, common situational awareness and aerodrome guidance applications are intended to be used, among others, in the following air navigation applications:

a) position and route awareness including moving maps with own ship position, surface guidance and navigation (e.g. A-SMGCS);

b) traffic awareness including surveillance and runway incursion detection and alerting;

c) facilitation of aerodrome-related aeronautical information, including NOTAM;

d) resource and aerodrome facility management; and

e) aeronautical chart production.

The data may also be used in other applications such as training/flight simulator and synthetic vision systems.

Note 2.— Aerodrome mapping data is organized and arranged in aerodrome mapping databases (AMDBs) for ease of electronic storage and usage by appropriate applications.

Note 3.— The content of the aerodrome mapping data sets is defined in Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics (RTCA) Document DO 272D/European Organization for Civil Aviation Equipment (EUROCAE) Document ED 99 — User Requirements for Aerodrome Mapping Information.

Note 4.— Metadata elements applicable to aerodrome mapping data are contained in RTCA DO-291B/EUROCAE ED-119B — Interchange Standards for Terrain, Obstacle, and Aerodrome Mapping Data.

5.3.3.3.1 Aerodrome mapping data — requirements for provision

Aerodrome mapping data should be supported by electronic terrain and obstacle data for Area 3 in order to ensure consistency and quality of all geographical data related to the aerodrome.

Note 1.— Accuracy and integrity requirements for aerodrome mapping data are contained in Appendix 1.

Note 2.— Electronic terrain and obstacle data pertaining to Area 3 and aerodrome mapping data may be originated using common acquisition techniques and managed within a single geographic information system (GIS).

Note 3.— The content of the aerodrome mapping data sets is defined in RTCA DO 272D/EUROCAE ED-99D.

5.3.3.4 Instrument flight procedure data set

Note.— The purpose of the instrument flight procedure data set is to support the transition of the ATM domain towards the use of digital data sets instead of paper products. Therefore, its scope is defined considering the likelihood that the data contained in this set is being used in digital format by service providers, ATC and IFR/VFR airspace users.
5.3.3.4.1 The instrument flight procedure data set should include data about the following data subjects, with the properties indicated in brackets being included as a minimum (if applicable):

a) procedure (all properties);
b) procedure segment (all properties);
c) final approach segment (all properties);
d) procedure fix (all properties);
e) procedure holding (all properties); and
f) helicopter procedure (all properties).

Note.— The description of the data subjects, together with their properties, data type and applicable data quality requirements, is provided in Appendix I.

5.3.3.4.2 The instrument flight procedure data set should also cover the data publication requirements contained in the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Aircraft Operations (PANS-OPS, Doc 8168), Volume II — Construction of Visual and the Instruments Flight Procedures.

5.4 DISTRIBUTION SERVICES

5.4.1 General

5.4.1.1 Distribution to the next intended user will differ in the delivery method applied which may either be:

a) Physical distribution. The means by which aeronautical data and aeronautical information distribution is achieved through the delivery of a physical package (e.g. postal services); or

b) Direct electronic distribution. The means by which aeronautical data and aeronautical information distribution is achieved automatically through the use of a direct electronic connection between the AIMD and the next intended user.

5.4.1.2 Different delivery methods and data media may require different procedures to ensure the required data quality.

Note.— Further guidance on digital data set distribution can be found in the Manual on System-wide Information Management (SWIM) Concept (Doc 10039).
5.4.1.3 A checklist of the available data sets, including their effective and publication dates, should be made available to allow the users to ensure that current data is being used.

5.4.1.4 The checklist of the data sets should be made available through the same distribution mechanism as is used for the data sets.

5.4.2 NOTAM distribution

5.4.2.1 The AIMD should arrange, as necessary, to satisfy operational requirements for the issuance and receipt of NOTAM distributed by telecommunication.

Note.— Arrangements may be made for direct exchange of SNOWTAM (see Appendix 4) between aerodromes/heliports.

5.4.2.2 The international exchange of ASHTAM (see 5.2.5.1.6), and NOTAM where States continue to use NOTAM for distribution of information on volcanic activity, should include volcanic ash advisory centres and the centres designated by regional air navigation agreement for the operation of AFS Secure Aviation Data Information Service (SADIS) and the World Area Forecast System (WAFS) Internet file service (WIFS), and should take account of the requirements of long-range operations.

5.4.2.3 The exchange of NOTAM between international NOTAM offices and multinational NOTAM processing units shall, as far as practicable, cover the needs of operations personnel including flight crew members.

5.4.2.4 A predetermined distribution system for NOTAM transmitted on the AFS in accordance with Annex 15, 6.3.2.3 should be used whenever possible, subject to the requirements of 5.4.2.3.

5.4.2.5 The originating State should upon request, grant distribution of NOTAM series other than those distributed internationally.

5.5 PRE-FLIGHT INFORMATION SERVICES

5.5.1 Geographic coverage for pre-flight information services should be determined and periodically reviewed. In general, the coverage zone should be limited to the flight information region (FIR) within which the aerodrome/heliport is located, the FIR(s) adjacent thereto, and all air route or portion of route flown without an intermediate landing, originating at the aerodrome/heliport and extending beyond the FIR(s) mentioned.

5.5.2 Although NOTAM with purpose “M” are regarded not subject for a briefing but available on request, all NOTAM should be provided for briefing by default and that content reduction should be at user’s discretion.

5.5.3 Automated pre-flight information systems (APIS) should be used to make aeronautical data and aeronautical information available to operations personnel including flight crew members for self-briefing, flight planning and flight information service purposes. The aeronautical data and aeronautical information made available should comply with the provisions of Annex 15.

5.5.4 Self-briefing facilities of an automated pre-flight information system should provide access to operations personnel, including flight crew members and other aeronautical personnel concerned, for consultation as necessary with the international NOTAM office by telephone or other suitable telecommunications means. The
human/machine interface of such facilities should ensure easy access in a guided manner to all relevant information/data.

5.5.5 Automated pre-flight information systems for the supply of aeronautical data and aeronautical information for self-briefing, flight planning and flight information service should:

a) provide for continuous and timely updating of the system database and monitoring of the validity and quality of the aeronautical data stored;

b) permit access to the system by operations personnel including flight crew members, aeronautical personnel concerned and other aeronautical users through suitable telecommunications means;

c) ensure provision, in paper copy form, of the aeronautical data and aeronautical information accessed, as required;

d) use access and interrogation procedures based on abbreviated plain language and ICAO location indicators, as appropriate, or based on a menu-driven user interface or other appropriate mechanism as agreed between the civil aviation authority and operator concerned; and

e) provide for rapid response to a user request for information.

Note.— ICAO abbreviations and codes and location indicators are given respectively in the PANS-ABC (Doc 8400) and Doc 7910.

5.5.6 Automated pre-flight information systems providing a harmonized, common point of access by operations personnel, including flight crew members and other aeronautical personnel concerned, to aeronautical data and aeronautical information in accordance with 5.5.3 and meteorological information in accordance with 9.4.1 of Annex 3 — Meteorological Service for International Air Navigation/CAR 3 should be established by an agreement between the civil aviation authority or the agency to which the authority to provide service has been delegated in accordance with 2.1.1 c) of Annex 15 and the Department of Hydrology and meteorology (DHM).

5.5.7 Where automated pre-flight information systems are used to provide the harmonized, common point of access by operations personnel, including flight crew members and other aeronautical personnel concerned, to aeronautical data, aeronautical information and meteorological information, AISP should remain responsible for the quality and timeliness of the aeronautical data and aeronautical information provided by means of such a system.

Note.— The DHM concerned remains responsible for the quality of the meteorological information provided by means of such a system in accordance with 9.4.3 of Annex 3/CAR 3.
Chapter 6

AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION UPDATES

6.1 AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION PRODUCT UPDATES

6.1.1 The same update cycle should be applied to the Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP) and the digital data sets in order to ensure the consistency of the data items that appear in multiple aeronautical information products.

6.1.2 Specifications for AIP amendments

6.1.2.1 The AIP Amendment regular interval should be specified in the AIP, Part 1 — General (GEN).

*Note.*—*Guidance material on the establishment of intervals between publication dates of AIP Amendments is contained in the Aeronautical information management Departments Manual (Doc 8126).*

6.1.2.2 When an AIP Amendment will not be published at the established interval or publication date, a NIL notification should be originated and distributed by the NOTAM checklist.

6.1.2.3 Recourse to hand amendments or annotations should be kept to a minimum.

6.1.2.4 When the AIP is provided in more than one volume, each volume should include separate amendment services.

6.1.3 Specifications for AIP Supplements

When an error occurs in an AIP Supplement or when the period of validity of an AIP Supplement is changed, a new AIP Supplement should be published as a replacement.

*Note 1.*—*The requirements for NOTAM apply when time constraints do not allow sufficient time for the distribution of an AIP Supplement.*

*Note 2.*—*Guidance material on the use of AIP Supplements together with examples of such use is contained in the Aeronautical information management Departments Manual (Doc 8126).*

6.1.4 Specifications for NOTAM

6.1.4.1 NOTAM should be published with sufficient lead time for the affected parties to take any required action, except in the case of unserviceability, volcanic activity, release of radioactive material, toxic chemicals and other events that cannot be foreseen.

6.1.4.2 NOTAM notifying unserviceability of aids to air navigation, facilities or communication services should give an estimate of the period of unserviceability or the time at which restoration of service is expected.
6.1.4.3 At least seven days’ advance notice should be given of the activation of established danger, restricted or prohibited areas and of activities requiring temporary airspace restrictions other than for emergency operations.

6.1.4.3.1 Notice of any subsequent cancellation of the activities or any reduction of the hours of activity or the dimensions of the airspace should be given as soon as possible.

Note.— Whenever possible, at least 24 hours’ advance notice is desirable, to permit timely completion of the notification process and to facilitate airspace utilization planning.

6.1.4.4 Within three months from the issuing of a permanent NOTAM, the information contained in the NOTAM should be included in the aeronautical information products affected.

6.1.4.5 Within three months from the issuing of a temporary NOTAM of long duration, the information contained in the NOTAM should be included in the AIP Supplement.

6.1.4.6 When a NOTAM with estimated end of validity unexpectedly exceeds the three-month period, a replacement NOTAM should be issued, unless the condition is expected to last for a further period of more than three months; in this case, an AIP Supplement should be issued.

6.1.4.7 When an AIP Amendment or an AIP Supplement is published in accordance with AIRAC procedures, a so-called “Trigger NOTAM” should be originated giving a brief description of the contents, the effective date and time, and the reference number of the amendment or supplement.

6.1.4.7.1 The Trigger NOTAM should come into force on the same effective date and time as the amendment or supplement and should remain valid in the pre-flight information bulletin for a period of fourteen days.

6.1.4.7.2 In the case of an AIP Supplement, the Trigger NOTAM should remain valid for a period of fourteen days.

6.1.4.7.3 In the case of an AIP Supplement that is valid for less than fourteen days, the Trigger NOTAM should remain valid for the complete validity period of the AIP Supplement.

6.1.4.7.4 In the case of an AIP Supplement that is valid for fourteen days or more, the Trigger NOTAM should remain valid for at least fourteen days.

Note.— Guidance material for the origination of NOTAM announcing the existence of AIRAC AIP Amendments or AIP Supplements (Trigger NOTAM) is contained in Doc 8126.

6.1.5 Specifications for digital data updates

6.1.5.1 The update interval for the digital data sets should be specified in the data product specification.

6.1.5.2 Data sets that have been made available in advance (according to the AIRAC cycle) should be updated with the non-AIRAC changes that occur between the publication and the effective date.
Appendix 1

AERONAUTICAL DATA CATALOGUE

Note 1.— The Aeronautical Data Catalogue is available in Attachment A1-1 to A1-10 and provided as part of the PANS-AIM.

Note 2.— The Aeronautical Data Catalogue is a general description of the aeronautical Information management (AIM) data scope and consolidates all data that can be collected and maintained by the aeronautical information management Department (AIMD). It provides a reference for aeronautical data origination and publication requirements.

Note 3.— The Aeronautical Data Catalogue provides a means for States to facilitate the identification of the organizations and authorities responsible for the origination of the aeronautical data and aeronautical information. It also provides a common list of terms and facilitates the Service Level Agreement between data originators and the AIMD. It includes data quality requirements applicable from origination through to publication.

Note 4.— The Aeronautical Data Catalogue contains the aeronautical data subjects, properties and sub-properties organized in:

Table A1-1 Aerodrome data;

Table A1-2 Airspace data;

Table A1-3 ATS and other routes data;

Table A1-4 Instrument flight procedure data;
Table A1-5 Radio navigation aids/systems data;

Table A1-6 Obstacle data;

Table A1-7 Geographic data;

Table A1-8 Terrain data;

Table A1-9 Data types; and

Table A1-10 Information about national and local regulation, services and procedures.

Note 5.—The Aeronautical Data Catalogue provides detailed descriptions of all subjects, properties and sub-properties, the data quality requirements and the data types.

Note 6.—The data types describe the nature of the property and sub-property and specify the data elements to be collected.

Note 7.—The tables of the Aeronautical Data Catalogue are composed of the following columns:

(1) Subject for which data can be collected.

(2)(3) Property is an identifiable characteristic of a subject which can be further defined into sub-properties. The classification of a catalogue element as subject, property or sub-property does not impose a certain data model.

(4) The data is classified in different types. See Table A1-9 for more information on data types.

(5) A description of the data element.

(6) Notes are additional information or conditions of the provision.
Accuracy requirements for aeronautical data are based on a 95 per cent confidence level. For those fixes and points that are serving a dual purpose, e.g. holding point and missed approach point, the higher accuracy applies.

Accuracy requirements for obstacle and terrain data are based on a 90 per cent confidence level.

Integrity classification.

Origination type. Positional data is identified as surveyed, calculated or declared.

Publication resolution. The publication resolutions for geographical position data (latitude and longitude) are applicable to coordinates formatted in degrees, minutes and seconds. When a different format is used (such as degrees with decimals for digital data sets) or when the location is significantly further to the north/south, the publication resolution needs to be commensurate with the accuracy requirements.

Chart resolution

Appendix 2

CONTENTS OF THE AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION PUBLICATION (AIP)

Note 1.— The information elements prefixed with “#AIP-DS#” may be omitted when available through the AIP data set (as specified in Chapter 5, 5.2.1.1.3).

Note 2.— The information elements prefixed with “#OBS-DS#” may be omitted when available through the obstacle data set (as specified in Chapter 5, 5.3.3.2.2).

PART 1 — GENERAL (GEN)

When the AIP is produced as one volume, the preface, record of AIP Amendments, record of AIP Supplements, checklist of AIP pages and list of current hand amendments appear only in Part 1 — GEN, and the annotation “not applicable” should be entered against each of these subsections in Parts 2 and 3.

If an AIP is produced and made available in more than one volume with each having a separate amendment and supplement service, a separate preface, record of AIP Amendments, record of AIP Supplements, checklist of AIP pages and list of current hand amendments should be included in each volume.

GEN 0.1 Preface

Brief description of the AIP, including:

1) name of the publishing authority;
2) applicable ICAO documents;
3) publication media (i.e. printed, online or other electronic media);
4) AIP structure and established regular amendment interval;
5) copyright policy, if applicable; and
6) service to contact in case of detected AIP errors or omissions.

GEN 0.2 Record of AIP Amendments

A record of AIP Amendments and AIRAC AIP Amendments (published in accordance with the AIRAC system) containing:

1) amendment number;
2) publication date;

3) date inserted (for the AIRAC AIP Amendments, effective date); and

4) initials of officer who inserted the amendment.

GEN 0.3 Record of AIP Supplements

A record of issued AIP Supplements containing:

1) Supplement number;

2) Supplement subject;

3) AIP section(s) affected;

4) period of validity; and

5) cancellation record.

GEN 0.4 Checklist of AIP pages

A checklist of AIP pages containing:

1) page number/chart title; and

2) publication or effective date (day, month by name and year) of the aeronautical information.

GEN 0.5 List of hand amendments to the AIP

A list of current hand amendments to the AIP containing:

1) AIP page(s) affected;

2) amendment text; and

3) AIP Amendment number by which a hand amendment was introduced.

GEN 0.6 Table of contents to Part 1

A list of sections and subsections contained in Part 1 — General (GEN).

Note.— Subsections may be listed alphabetically.

GEN 1. NATIONAL REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS
GEN 1.1 Designated authorities

The addresses of designated authorities concerned with the facilitation of international air navigation (civil aviation, meteorology, customs, immigration, health, en-route and aerodrome/heliport charges, agricultural quarantine and aircraft accident investigation) containing, for each authority:

1) designated authority;
2) name of the authority;
3) postal address;
4) telephone number;
5) telefax number;
6) e-mail address;
7) aeronautical fixed service (AFS) address; and
8) website address, if available.

GEN 1.2 Entry, transit and departure of aircraft

Regulations and requirements for advance notification and applications for permission concerning entry, transit and departure of aircraft on international flights.

GEN 1.3 Entry, transit and departure of passengers and crew

Regulations (including customs, immigration and quarantine, and requirements for advance notification and applications for permission) concerning entry, transit and departure of non-immigrant passengers and crew.

GEN 1.4 Entry, transit and departure of cargo

Regulations (including customs, and requirements for advance notification and applications for permission) concerning entry, transit and departure of cargo.

*Note.*—Provisions for facilitating entry and departure for search, rescue, salvage, investigation, repair or salvage in connection with lost or damaged aircraft are detailed in section GEN 3.6, Search and rescue.

GEN 1.5 Aircraft instruments, equipment and flight documents

Brief description of aircraft instruments, equipment and flight documents, including:

1) instruments, equipment (including aircraft communication, navigation and surveillance equipment) and flight documents to be carried on aircraft, including any special requirement in addition to the provisions specified in Annex 6, Part I, Chapters 6 and 7; and
2) emergency locator transmitter (ELT), signaling devices and life-saving equipment as presented in Annex 6, Part I, 6.6 and Part II, 2.4.5, where so determined by regional air navigation agreement, for flights over designated land areas.

GEN 1.6 Summary of national regulations and international agreements/conventions

A list of titles and references and, where applicable, summaries of national regulations affecting air navigation, together with a list of international agreements/conventions ratified by the State.

GEN 1.7 Differences from ICAO Standards, Recommended Practices and Procedures

A list of significant differences between national regulations and practices of the State and related ICAO provisions, including:

1) provision affected (Annex and edition number, paragraph); and

2) difference in full text.

All significant differences should be listed under this subsection. All Annexes should be listed in numerical order even if there is no difference to an Annex, in which case a NIL notification should be provided. National differences or the degree of non-application of the regional supplementary procedures (SUPPs) should be notified immediately following the Annex to which the supplementary procedure relates.

GEN 2. TABLES AND CODES

GEN 2.1 Measuring system, aircraft markings, holidays

GEN 2.1.1 Units of measurement

Description of units of measurement used including table of units of measurement.

GEN 2.1.2 Temporal reference system

Description of the temporal reference system (calendar and time system) employed, together with an indication of whether or not daylight saving hours are employed and how the temporal reference system is presented throughout the AIP.

GEN 2.1.3 Horizontal reference system

Brief description of the horizontal (geodetic) reference system used, including:

1) name/designation of the reference system;

2) identification and parameters of the projection;
3) identification of the ellipsoid used;

4) identification of the datum used;

5) area(s) of application; and

6) an explanation, if applicable, of the asterisk used to identify those coordinates that do not meet the accuracy requirements.

GEN 2.1.4 Vertical reference system

Brief description of the vertical reference system used, including:

1) name/designation of the reference system;

2) description of the geoid model used including the parameters required for height transformation between the model used and EGM-96; and

3) an explanation, if applicable, of the asterisk used to identify those elevations/geoid undulations that do not meet the accuracy requirements.

GEN 2.1.5 Aircraft nationality and registration marks

Indication of aircraft nationality and registration marks adopted by the State.

GEN 2.1.6 Public holidays

A list of public holidays with indication of services being affected.

GEN 2.2 Abbreviations used in aeronautical information products

A list of alphabetically arranged abbreviations and their respective significations used by the State in its AIP and in the distribution of aeronautical data and aeronautical information with appropriate annotation for those national abbreviations that are different from those contained in the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — ICAO Abbreviations and Codes (PANS-ABC, Doc 8400).

Note.— A list of alphabetically arranged definitions/glossary of terms may also be added.

GEN 2.3 Chart symbols

A list of chart symbols arranged according to the chart series where symbols are applied.

GEN 2.4 Location indicators

A list of alphabetically arranged location indicators assigned to the locations of aeronautical fixed stations to be used
for encoding and decoding purposes. An annotation to locations not connected to the aeronautical fixed service (AFS) should be provided.

GEN 2.5  List of radio navigation aids

A list of radio navigation aids arranged alphabetically, containing:

1) identifier;
2) name of the station;
3) type of facility/aid; and
4) indication whether aid serves en-route (E), aerodrome (A) or dual (AE) purposes.

GEN 2.6  Conversion of units of measurement

Tables for conversion or, alternatively, conversion formulae between:

1) nautical miles and kilometres and vice versa;
2) feet and metres and vice versa;
3) decimal minutes of arc and seconds of arc and vice versa; and
4) other conversions as appropriate.

GEN 2.7  Sunrise/sunset

Information on the time of sunrise and sunset including a brief description of criteria used for determination of the times given and either a simple formulae or table from which times may be calculated for any location within its territory/area of responsibility, or an alphabetical list of locations for which the times are given in a table with a reference to the related page in the table and the sunrise/sunset tables for the selected stations/locations, including:

1) station name;
2) ICAO location indicator;
3) geographical coordinates in degrees and minutes;
4) date(s) for which times are given;
5) time for the beginning of morning civil twilight;
6) time for sunrise;
7) time for sunset; and
8) time for the end of evening civil twilight.

GEN 3. SERVICES

GEN 3.1 Aeronautical information management Departments

GEN 3.1.1 Responsible service

Description of the aeronautical information management Department (A IMD) provided and its major components, including:

1) service/unit name;
2) postal address;
3) telephone number;
4) telefax number;
5) e-mail address;
6) AFS address;
7) website address, if available;
8) a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the service is based and a reference to the AIP location where differences, if any, are listed; and
9) an indication if service is not H24.

GEN 3.1.2 Area of responsibility

The area of responsibility for the AIMD.

GEN 3.1.3 Aeronautical publications

Description of the elements of the aeronautical information products, including:

1) AIP and related amendment service;
2) AIP Supplements;
3) AIC;
4) NOTAM and pre-flight information bulletins (PIB);
5) checklists and lists of valid NOTAM; and
6) how they may be obtained.

When an AIC is used to promulgate publication prices, that should be indicated in this section of the AIP.

GEN 3.1.4 AIRAC system

Brief description of the AIRAC system provided including a table of present and near future AIRAC dates.

GEN 3.1.5 Pre-flight information service at aerodromes/heliports

A list of aerodromes/heliports at which pre-flight information is routinely available, including an indication of relevant:

1) elements of the aeronautical information products held;
2) maps and charts held; and
3) general area of coverage of such information.

GEN 3.1.6 Digital data sets

Description of the available data sets, including:

1) data set title;
2) short description;
3) data subjects included;
4) geographical scope; and
5) if applicable, limitations related to its usage.
6) Contact details of how data sets may be obtained, containing:
   a) name of the individual, service or organization responsible;
   b) street address and e-mail address of the individual, service or organization responsible;
   c) telefax number of the individual, service or organization responsible;
   d) contact telephone number of the individual, service or organization responsible;
   e) hours of service (time period including time zone when contact can be made);
   f) online information that can be used to contact the individual, service or organization; and
   g) supplemental information, if necessary, on how and when to contact the individual, service or organization.
GEN 3.2 Aeronautical charts

GEN 3.2.1 Service by Aeronautical Information Management Department (AIMD)

Description of service(s) responsible for the production of aeronautical charts, including:

1) service name;
2) postal address;
3) telephone number;
4) telefax number;
5) e-mail address;
6) AFS address;
7) website address, if available;
8) a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the service is based and a reference to the AIP location where differences, if any, are listed; and
9) an indication if service is not H24.

GEN 3.2.2 Maintenance of charts

Brief description of how aeronautical charts are revised and amended.

GEN 3.2.3 Purchase arrangements

Details of how charts may be obtained, containing:

1) service/sales agency (ies);
2) postal address;
3) telephone number;
4) telefax number;
5) e-mail address;
6) AFS address; and
7) website address, if available.
GEN 3.2.4  Aeronautical chart series available

A list of aeronautical chart series available followed by a general description of each series and an indication of the intended use.

GEN 3.2.5  List of aeronautical charts available

A list of aeronautical charts available, including:

1) title of series;
2) scale of series;
3) name and/or number of each chart or each sheet in a series;
4) price per sheet; and
5) date of latest revision.

GEN 3.2.6  Index to the World Aeronautical Chart (WAC) — ICAO 1:1 000 000

An index chart showing coverage and sheet layout for the WAC 1:1 000 000 produced by a State. If Aeronautical Chart — ICAO 1:500 000 is produced instead of WAC 1:1 000 000, index charts should be used to indicate coverage and sheet layout for the Aeronautical Chart — ICAO 1:500 000.

GEN 3.2.7  Topographical charts

Details of how topographical charts may be obtained, containing:

1) name of service/agency(ies);
2) postal address;
3) telephone number;
4) telefax number;
5) e-mail address;
6) AFS address; and
7) website address, if available.

GEN 3.2.8  Corrections to charts not contained in the AIP

A list of corrections to aeronautical charts not contained in the AIP, or an indication where such information can be obtained.
GEN 3.3 Air traffic services

GEN 3.3.1 Responsible service

Description of the air traffic service (ATS) and its major components, including:

1) service name;
2) postal address;
3) telephone number;
4) telefax number;
5) e-mail address;
6) AFS address;
7) website address, if available;
8) a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the service is based and a reference to the AIP location where differences, if any, are listed; and
9) an indication if service is not H24.

GEN 3.3.2 Area of responsibility

Brief description of area of responsibility for which ATS is provided.

GEN 3.3.3 Types of services

Brief description of main types of ATS provided.

GEN 3.3.4 Coordination between the operator and ATS

General conditions under which coordination between the operator and air traffic services is effected.

GEN 3.3.5 Minimum flight altitude

The criteria used to determine minimum flight altitudes.

GEN 3.3.6 ATS units address list
A list of ATS units and their addresses arranged alphabetically, containing:

1) unit name;
2) postal address;
3) telephone number;
4) telex number;
5) e-mail address;
6) AFS address; and
7) website address, if available.

GEN 3.4 Communication and navigation services

GEN 3.4.1 Responsible service

Description of the service responsible for the provision of telecommunication and navigation facilities, including:

1) service name;
2) postal address;
3) telephone number;
4) telex number;
5) e-mail address;
6) AFS address;
7) website address, if available;
8) a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the service is based and a reference to the AIP location where differences, if any, are listed; and
9) an indication if service is not H24.

GEN 3.4.2 Area of responsibility

Brief description of area of responsibility for which telecommunication service is provided.

GEN 3.4.3 Types of service

Brief description of the main types of service and facilities provided, including:

1) radio navigation services;
2) voice and/or data link services;

3) broadcasting service;

4) language(s) used; and

5) an indication of where detailed information can be obtained.

GEN 3.4.4 Requirements and conditions

Brief description concerning the requirements and conditions under which the communication service is available.

GEN 3.4.5 Miscellaneous

Any additional information (e.g. selected radio broadcasting stations, telecommunications diagram).

GEN 3.5 Meteorological services

GEN 3.5.1 Responsible service

Brief description of the meteorological service responsible for the provision of meteorological information, including:

1) service name;

2) postal address;

3) telephone number;

4) telefax number;

5) e-mail address;

6) AFS address;

7) website address, if available;

8) a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the service is based and a reference to the AIP location where differences, if any, are listed; and

9) an indication if service is not H24.

GEN 3.5.2 Area of responsibility

Brief description of area and/or air routes for which meteorological service is provided.
GEN 3.5.3 Meteorological observations and reports

Detailed description of the meteorological observations and reports provided for international air navigation, including:

1) name of the station and the ICAO location indicator;
2) type and frequency of observation including an indication of automatic observing equipment;
3) types of meteorological reports (e.g. METAR) and availability of a trend forecast;
4) specific type of observation system and number of observation sites used to observe and report surface wind, visibility, runway visual range, cloud base, temperature and, where applicable, wind shear (e.g. anemometer at intersection of runways, transmissometer next to touchdown zone, etc.);
5) hours of operation; and
6) indication of aeronautical climatological information available.

GEN 3.5.4 Types of services

Brief description of the main types of service provided, including details of briefing, consultation, display of meteorological information, flight documentation available for operators and flight crew members, and of the methods and means used for supplying the meteorological information.

GEN 3.5.5 Notification required from operators

Minimum amount of advance notice required by the meteorological authority from operators in respect of briefing, consultation and flight documentation and other meteorological information they require or change.

GEN 3.5.6 Aircraft reports

As necessary, requirements of the meteorological authority for the making and transmission of aircraft reports.

GEN 3.5.7 VOLMET service

Description of VOLMET and/or D-VOLMET service, including:

1) name of transmitting station;
2) call sign or identification and abbreviation for the radio communication emission;
3) frequency or frequencies used for broadcast;
4) broadcasting period;
5) hours of service;
6) list of aerodromes/heliports for which reports and/or forecasts are included; and

7) reports, forecasts and SIGMET information included and remarks.

GEN 3.5.8 SIGMET and AIRMET service

Description of the meteorological watch provided within flight information regions or control areas for which air traffic services are provided, including a list of the meteorological watch offices with:

1) name of the meteorological watch office and the ICAO location indicator;

2) hours of service;

3) flight information region(s) or control area(s) served;

4) SIGMET validity periods;

5) specific procedures applied to SIGMET information (e.g. for volcanic ash and tropical cyclones);

6) procedures applied to AIRMET information (in accordance with relevant regional air navigation agreements);

7) ATS unit(s) provided with SIGMET and AIRMET information; and

8) additional information (e.g. concerning any limitation of service, etc.).

GEN 3.5.9 Other automated meteorological services

Description of available automated services for the provision of meteorological information (e.g. automated pre-flight information service accessible by telephone and/or computer modem), including:

1) service name;

2) information available;

3) areas, routes and aerodromes covered; and

4) telephone and telefax number(s), e-mail address, and, if available, website address.

GEN 3.6 Search and rescue

GEN 3.6.1 Responsible service(s)

Brief description of service(s) responsible for the provision of search and rescue (SAR), including:

1) service/unit name;

2) postal address;

3) telephone number;
4) telefax number;

5) e-mail address;

6) AFS address;

7) website address, if available; and

8) a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the service is based and a reference to the AIP location where differences, if any, are listed.

GEN 3.6.2 Area of responsibility

Brief description of area of responsibility within which SAR services are provided.

*Note.— A chart may be included to supplement the description of the area.*

GEN 3.6.3 Types of service

Brief description and geographical portrayal, where appropriate, of the type of service and facilities provided including indications where SAR aerial coverage is dependent upon significant deployment of aircraft.

GEN 3.6.4 SAR agreements

Brief description of SAR agreements in force, including provisions for facilitating entry and departure of other States’ aircraft for search, rescue, salvage, repair or salvage in connection with lost or damaged aircraft, either with airborne notification only or after flight plan notification.

GEN 3.6.5 Conditions of availability

Brief description of provisions for SAR, including the general conditions under which the service and facilities are available for international use, including an indication of whether a facility available for SAR is specialized in SAR techniques and functions, or is specially used for other purposes but adapted for SAR purposes by training and equipment, or is only occasionally available and has no particular training or preparation for SAR work.

GEN 3.6.6 Procedures and signals used

Brief description of the procedures and signals employed by rescue aircraft and a table showing the signals to be used by survivors.

GEN 4. CHARGES FOR AERODROMES/HELIPORTS AND AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES

*Note.— Reference may be made to where details of actual charges may be found, if not itemized in this chapter.*
GEN 4.1 Aerodrome/heliport charges

Brief description of type of charges which may be applicable at aerodromes/heliports available for international use, including:

1) landing of aircraft;
2) parking, hangarage and long-term storage of aircraft;
3) passenger service;
4) security;
5) noise-related items;
6) other (customs, health, immigration, etc.);
7) exemptions/reductions; and
8) methods of payment.

GEN 4.2 Air navigation services charges

Brief description of charges which may be applicable to air navigation services provided for international use, including:

1) approach control;
2) route air navigation services;
3) cost basis for air navigation services and exemptions/reductions; and
4) methods of payment.

PART 2 — EN-ROUTE (ENR)

If an AIP is produced and made available in more than one volume with each having a separate amendment and supplement service, a separate preface, record of AIP Amendments, record of AIP Supplements, checklist of AIP pages and list of current hand amendments should be included in each volume. In the case of an AIP being published as one volume, the annotation “not applicable” should be entered against each of the above subsections.

ENR 0.1 Table of contents to Part 2

A list of sections and subsections contained in Part 2 — En-route.

Note.— Subsections may be listed alphabetically.
ENR 1. GENERAL RULES AND PROCEDURES

ENR 1.1 General rules

The requirement is for publication of the general rules as applied within the State.

ENR 1.2 Visual flight rules

The requirement is for publication of the visual flight rules as applied within the State.

ENR 1.3 Instrument flight rules

The requirement is for publication of the instrument flight rules as applied within the State.

ENR 1.4 ATS airspace classification and description

ENR 1.4.1 ATS airspace classification

Description of ATS airspace classes in the form of the ATS airspace classification table in Annex 11, Appendix 4, appropriately annotated to indicate those airspace classes not used by the State.

ENR 1.4.2 ATS airspace description

Other ATS airspace descriptions as applicable, including general textual descriptions.

ENR 1.5 Holding, approach and departure procedures

ENR 1.5.1 General

The requirement is for a statement concerning the criteria on which holding, approach and departure procedures are established. If different from ICAO provisions, the requirement is for presentation of criteria used in a tabular form.

ENR 1.5.2 Arriving flights

The requirement is to present procedures (conventional or area navigation or both) for arriving flights which are common to flights into or within the same type of airspace. If different procedures apply within a terminal airspace, a note to this effect should be given together with a reference to where the specific procedures can be found.
ENR 1.5.3  Departing flights

The requirement is to present procedures (conventional or area navigation or both) for departing flights which are common to flights departing from any aerodrome/heliport.

ENR 1.5.4  Other relevant information and procedures

Brief description of additional information, e.g. entry procedures, final approach alignment, holding procedures and patterns.

**ENR 1.6  ATS surveillance services and procedures**

**ENR 1.6.1  Primary radar**

Description of primary radar services and procedures, including:

1) supplementary services;
2) the application of radar control service;
3) radar and air-ground communication failure procedures;
4) voice and CPDLC position reporting requirements; and
5) graphic portrayal of area of radar coverage.

**ENR 1.6.2  Secondary surveillance radar (SSR)**

Description of secondary surveillance radar (SSR) operating procedures, including:

1) emergency procedures;
2) air-ground communication failure and unlawful interference procedures;
3) the system of SSR code assignment;
4) voice and CPDLC position reporting requirements; and
5) graphic portrayal of area of SSR coverage.

Note.— The SSR description is of particular importance in areas or routes where the possibility of interception exists.

**ENR 1.6.3  Automatic dependent surveillance — broadcast (ADS-B)**

Description of automatic dependent surveillance — broadcast (ADS-B) operating procedures, including:

1) emergency procedures;
2) air-ground communication failure and unlawful interference procedures;
3) aircraft identification requirements;
4) voice and CPDLC position reporting requirements; and
5) graphic portrayal of area of ADS-B coverage.

Note.— The ADS-B description is of particular importance in areas or routes where the possibility of interception exists.

ENR 1.6.4 Other relevant information and procedures

Brief description of additional information and procedures, e.g. radar failure procedures and transponder failure procedures.

ENR 1.7 Altimeter setting procedures

The requirement is for a statement of altimeter setting procedures in use, containing:
1) brief introduction with a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the procedures are based together with differences to ICAO provisions, if any;
2) basic altimeter setting procedures;
3) description of altimeter setting region(s);
4) procedures applicable to operators (including pilots); and
5) table of cruising levels.

ENR 1.8 Regional supplementary procedures

The requirement is for presentation of regional supplementary procedures (SUPPs) affecting the entire area of responsibility.

ENR 1.9 Air traffic flow management and airspace management

Brief description of air traffic flow management (ATFM) system and airspace management, including:
1) ATFM structure, service area, service provided, location of unit(s) and hours of operation;
2) types of flow messages and descriptions of the formats; and
3) procedures applicable for departing flights, containing:
   a) service responsible for provision of information on applied ATFM measures;
ENR 1.10 Flight planning

The requirement is to indicate any restriction, limitation or advisory information related to the flight planning stage which may assist the user in the presentation of the intended flight operation, including:

1) procedures for the submission of a flight plan;
2) repetitive flight plan system; and
3) changes to the submitted flight plan.

ENR 1.11 Addressing of flight plan messages

The requirement is for an indication, in tabular form, of the addresses allocated to flight plans, showing:

1) category of flight (IFR, VFR or both);
2) route (into or via FIR and/or TMA); and
3) message address.

ENR 1.12 Interception of civil aircraft

The requirement is for a complete statement of interception procedures and visual signals to be used with a clear indication of whether ICAO provisions are applied and, if not, that differences exist.

Note.— A list of significant differences between national regulations and practices of the State and related ICAO provisions is found in Gen 1.7.

ENR 1.13 Unlawful interference

The requirement is for presentation of appropriate procedures to be applied in case of unlawful interference.

ENR 1.14 Air traffic incidents

Description of air traffic incidents reporting system, including:

1) definition of air traffic incidents;
2) use of the “Air Traffic Incident Reporting Form”;

3) reporting procedures (including in-flight procedures); and

4) purpose of reporting and handling of the form.

   Note.— A copy of the Air Traffic Incident Report Form (PANS ATM, Doc 4444, Appendix 4) may be included for reference.

ENR 2. ATS AIRSPACE

ENR 2.1 FIR, UIR, TMA and CTA

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of flight information regions (FIR), upper flight information regions (UIR), and control areas (CTA) (including specific CTA such as TMA), including:

1) name, geographical coordinates in degrees and minutes of the FIR/UIR lateral limits and in degrees, minutes and seconds of the CTA lateral limits, vertical limits and class of airspace;

2) identification of unit providing the service;

3) call sign of aeronautical station serving the unit and language(s) used, specifying the area and conditions, when and where to be used, if applicable;

4) frequencies, and if applicable SATVOICE number, supplemented by indications for specific purposes; and

5) remarks.

#AIP-DS# Control zones around military air bases not otherwise described in the AIP should be included in this subsection. Where the requirements of Annex 2 concerning flight plans, two-way communications and position reporting apply to all flights in order to eliminate or reduce the need for interceptions and/or where the possibility of interception exists and the maintenance of guard on the VHF emergency channel 121.5 MHz is required, a statement to this effect should be included for the relevant area(s) or portion(s) thereof.

A description of designated areas over which the carriage of an emergency locator transmitter (ELT) is required and where aircraft should continuously guard the VHF emergency frequency 121.5 MHz, except for those periods when aircraft are carrying out communications on other VHF channels or when airborne equipment limitations or cockpit duties do not permit simultaneous guarding of two channels.

   Note.— Other types of airspace around civil aerodromes/heliports such as control zones and aerodrome traffic zones are described in the relevant aerodrome or heliport section.

ENR 2.2 Other regulated airspace

Where established, a detailed description of other types of regulated airspace and airspace classification.

ENR 3. ATS ROUTES

   Note 1.— Bearings, tracks and radials are normally magnetic. In areas of high latitude, where it is determined by the appropriate authority that reference to Magnetic North is impractical, another suitable reference, i.e. True North or Grid North, may be used.
Note 2.— Changeover points established at the midpoint between two radio navigation aids, or at the intersection of the two radials in the case of a route which changes direction between the navigation aids, need not be shown for each route segment if a general statement regarding their existence is made.

Note 3.— Guidance material on the organization of ATS route publication is contained in the Aeronautical information management Departments Manual (Doc 8126).

ENR 3.1 Lower ATS routes

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of lower ATS routes, including:

1) route designator, designation of the required communication performance (RCP) specification(s), navigation specification(s) and/or required surveillance performance (RSP) specification(s) applicable to a specified segment(s), names, coded designators or name-codes and the geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of all significant points defining the route including “compulsory” or “on-request” reporting points;

2) tracks or VOR radials to the nearest degree, geodesic distance to the nearest tenth of a kilometre or tenth of a nautical mile between each successive designated significant point and, in the case of VOR radials, changeover points;

3) upper and lower limits or minimum en-route altitudes, to the nearest higher 50 m or 100 ft, and airspace classification;

4) lateral limits and minimum obstacle clearance altitudes;

5) direction of cruising levels;

6) the navigation accuracy requirement for each PBN (RNAV or RNP) route segment; and

7) remarks, including an indication of the controlling unit, its operating channel and, if applicable, its logon address, SATVOICE number, and any navigation, RCP and RSP specification(s) limitations.

Note.— In relation to Annex 11, Appendix 1, and for flight planning purposes, the defined navigation specification is not considered to be an integral part of the route designator.

ENR 3.2 Upper ATS routes

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of upper ATS routes, including:

1) route designator, designation of the required communication performance (RCP) specification(s), navigation specification(s) and/or required surveillance performance (RSP) specification(s) applicable to a specified segment(s), names, coded designators or name-codes and the geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of all significant points defining the route including “compulsory” or “on-request” reporting points;

2) tracks or VOR radials to the nearest degree, geodesic distance to the nearest tenth of a kilometre or tenth of a nautical mile between each successive designated significant point and, in the case of VOR radials, changeover points;

3) upper and lower limits and airspace classification;

4) lateral limits;

5) direction of cruising levels;
6) the navigation accuracy requirement for each PBN (RNAV or RNP) route segment; and

remarks, including an indication of the controlling unit, its operating channel and, if applicable, its logon address, SATVOICE number, and any navigation, RCP and RSP specification(s) limitations.

Note.— In relation to Annex 11, Appendix 1, and for flight planning purposes, defined navigation specification is not considered to be an integral part of the route designator.

ENR 3.3 Area navigation routes

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of PBN (RNAV and RNP) routes, including:

1) route designator, designation of the required communication performance (RCP) specification(s), navigation specification(s) and/or required surveillance performance (RSP) specification(s) applicable to a specified segment(s), names, coded designators or name-codes and the geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of all significant points defining the route including “compulsory” or “on-request” reporting points;

2) in respect of waypoints defining an area navigation route, additionally as applicable:
   a) station identification of the reference VOR/DME;
   b) bearing to the nearest degree and the distance to the nearest tenth of a kilometre or tenth of a nautical mile from the reference VOR/DME, if the waypoint is not collocated with it; and
   c) elevation of the transmitting antenna of DME to the nearest 30 m (100 ft);

3) magnetic bearing to the nearest degree, geodesic distance to the nearest tenth of a kilometre or tenth of a nautical mile between defined end-points and distance between each successive designated significant point;

4) upper and lower limits and airspace classification;

5) direction of cruising levels;

6) the navigation accuracy requirement for each PBN (RNAV or RNP) route segment; and

7) remarks, including an indication of the controlling unit, its operating channel and, if applicable, its logon address, SATVOICE number, and any navigation, RCP and RSP specification(s) limitations.

Note.— In relation to Annex 11, Appendix 1, and for flight planning purposes, defined navigation specification is not considered to be an integral part of the route designator.

ENR 3.4 Helicopter routes

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of helicopter routes, including:

1) route designator, designation of the required communication performance (RCP) specification(s), navigation specification(s) and/or required surveillance performance (RSP) specification(s) applicable to a specified segment(s), names, coded designators or name-codes and the geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of all significant points defining the route including “compulsory” or “on-request” reporting points;
2) tracks or VOR radials to the nearest degree, geodesic distance to the nearest tenth of a kilometre or tenth of a nautical mile between each successive designated significant point and, in the case of VOR radials, changeover points;

3) upper and lower limits and airspace classification;

4) minimum flight altitudes to the nearest higher 50 m or 100 ft;

5) the navigation accuracy requirement for each PBN (RNAV or RNP) route segment; and

6) remarks, including an indication of the controlling unit, its operating channel and, if applicable, its logon address, SATVOICE number, and any navigation, RCP and RSP specification(s) limitations.

Note.— In relation to Annex 11, Appendix 1, and for flight planning purposes, defined navigation specification is not considered to be an integral part of the route designator.

ENR 3.5 Other routes

#AIP-DS# The requirement is to describe other specifically designated routes which are compulsory within specified area(s).

Note.— Arrival, transit and departure routes which are specified in connection with procedures for traffic to and from aerodromes/heliports need not be described since they are described in the relevant section of Part 3 — Aerodromes.

ENR 3.6 En-route holding

#AIP-DS# The requirement is for a detailed description of en-route holding procedures, containing:

1) holding identification (if any) and holding fix (navigation aid) or waypoint with geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds;

2) inbound track;

3) direction of the procedure turn;

4) maximum indicated airspeed;

5) minimum and maximum holding level;

6) time/distance outbound; and

7) indication of the controlling unit and its operating frequency.

Note.— Obstacle clearance criteria related to holding procedures are contained in Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Aircraft Operations (PANS-OPS, Doc 8168), Volumes I and II.
# ENR 4. RADIO NAVIGATION AIDS/SYSTEMS

## ENR 4.1 Radio navigation aids — en-route

#AIP-DS# A list of stations providing radio navigation services established for en-route purposes and arranged alphabetically by name of the station, including:

1) name of the station and magnetic variation to the nearest degree and for VOR, station declination to the nearest degree used for technical line-up of the aid;

2) identification;

3) frequency/channel for each element;

4) hours of operation;

5) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of the position of the transmitting antenna;

6) elevation of the transmitting antenna of DME to the nearest 30 m (100 ft); and

7) remarks.

If the operating authority of the facility is other than the designated governmental agency, the name of the operating authority should be indicated in the remarks column. Facility coverage should be indicated in the remarks column.

## ENR 4.2 Special navigation systems

#AIP-DS# Description of stations associated with special navigation systems (DECCA, LORAN, etc.), including:

1) name of station or chain;

2) type of service available (master signal, slave signal, colour);

3) frequency (channel number, basic pulse rate, recurrence rate, as applicable);

4) hours of operation;

5) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of the position of the transmitting station; and

6) remarks.

If the operating authority of the facility is other than the designated governmental agency, the name of the operating authority should be indicated in the remarks column. Facility coverage should be indicated in the remarks column.

## ENR 4.3 Global navigation satellite system (GNSS)

A list and description of elements of the global navigation satellite system (GNSS) providing the navigation service established for en-route purposes and arranged alphabetically by name of the element, including:

1) the name of the GNSS element, (GPS, GLONASS, EGNOS, MSAS, WAAS, etc.);
2) frequency(ies), as appropriate;

3) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of the nominal service area and coverage area; and

4) remarks.

If the operating authority of the facility is other than the designated governmental agency, the name of the operating authority should be indicated in the remarks column.

**ENR 4.4 Name-code designators for significant points**

#AIP-DS# A list of alphabetically arranged name-code designators (five-letter pronounceable “name-code”) established for significant points at positions not marked by the site of radio navigation aids, including:

1) name-code designator;

2) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of the position;

3) reference to ATS or other routes where the point is located; and

4) remarks, including supplementary definition of positions where required.

**ENR 4.5 Aeronautical ground lights — en-route**

#AIP-DS# A list of aeronautical ground lights and other light beacons designating geographical positions which are selected by the State as being significant, including:

1) name of the city or town or other identification of the beacon;

2) type of beacon and intensity of the light in thousands of candelas;

3) characteristics of the signal;

4) operational hours; and

5) remarks.

**ENR 5. NAVIGATION WARNINGS**

**ENR 5.1 Prohibited, restricted and danger areas**

#AIP-DS# Description, supplemented by graphic portrayal where appropriate, of prohibited, restricted and danger areas together with information regarding their establishment and activation, including:

1) identification, name and geographical coordinates of the lateral limits in degrees, minutes and seconds if inside and in degrees and minutes if outside control area/control zone boundaries;
2) upper and lower limits; and
3) remarks, including time of activity.

Type of restriction or nature of hazard and risk of interception in the event of penetration should be indicated in the remarks column.

**ENR 5.2 Military exercise and training areas**

and air defence identification zone (ADIZ)

#AIP-DS# Description, supplemented by graphic portrayal where appropriate, of established military training areas and military exercises taking place at regular intervals, and established air defence identification zone (ADIZ), including:

1) geographical coordinates of the lateral limits in degrees, minutes and seconds if inside and in degrees and minutes if outside control area/control zone boundaries;
2) upper and lower limits and system and means of activation announcements together with information pertinent to civil flights and applicable ADIZ procedures; and
3) remarks, including time of activity and risk of interception in the event of penetration of ADIZ.

**ENR 5.3 Other activities of a dangerous nature and other potential hazards**

ENR 5.3.1 Other activities of a dangerous nature

#AIP-DS# Description, supplemented by charts where appropriate, of activities that constitute a specific or obvious danger to aircraft operation and could affect flights, including:

1) geographical coordinates in degrees and minutes of centre of area and range of influence;
2) vertical limits;
3) advisory measures;
4) authority responsible for the provision of information; and
5) remarks, including time of activity.

ENR 5.3.2 Other potential hazards

#AIP-DS# Description, supplemented by charts where appropriate, of other potential hazards that could affect flights (active volcanoes, nuclear power stations, etc.), including:

1) geographical coordinates in degrees and minutes of location of potential hazard;
2) vertical limits;
3) advisory measures;
4) authority responsible for the provision of information; and
5) remarks.

**ENR 5.4 Air navigation obstacles**

#OBS-DS# A list of obstacles affecting air navigation in Area 1 (the entire State territory), including:

1) obstacle identification or designation;
2) type of obstacle;
3) obstacle position, represented by geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds;
4) obstacle elevation and height to the nearest metre or foot; and
5) type and colour of obstacle lighting (if any).

*Note 1.— An obstacle whose height above the ground is 100 m and higher is considered an obstacle for Area 1.*

*Note 2.— Specifications concerning the determination and reporting (accuracy of field work and data integrity) of positions (latitude and longitude) and elevations/heights for obstacles in Area 1 are given in Appendix 1.*

**ENR 5.5 Aerial sporting and recreational activities**

#AIP-DS# Brief description, supplemented by graphic portrayal where appropriate, of intensive aerial sporting and recreational activities together with conditions under which they are carried out, including:

1) designation and geographical coordinates of the lateral limits in degrees, minutes and seconds if inside and in degrees and minutes if outside control area/control zone boundaries;
2) vertical limits;
3) operator/user telephone number; and
4) remarks, including time of activity.

*Note.— This subsection may be subdivided into different sections for each different category of activity, giving the indicated details in each case.*

**ENR 5.6 Bird migration and areas with sensitive fauna**

Description, supplemented by charts where practicable, of movements of birds associated with migration, including migration routes and permanent resting areas and areas with sensitive fauna.
ENR 6. EN-ROUTE CHARTS

The requirement is for the En-route Chart — ICAO and index charts to be included in this section.

PART 3 — AERODROMES (AD)

If an AIP is produced and made available in more than one volume with each having a separate amendment and supplement service, a separate preface, record of AIP Amendments, record of AIP Supplements, checklist of AIP pages and list of current hand amendments should be included in each volume. In the case of an AIP being published as one volume, the annotation “not applicable” should be entered against each of the above subsections.

AD 0.1 Table of contents to Part 3

A list of sections and subsections contained in Part 3 — Aerodromes (AD).

Note.— Subsections may be listed alphabetically.

AD 1. AERODROMES/HELIPORTS — INTRODUCTION

AD 1.1 Aerodrome/heliport availability and conditions of use

AD 1.1.1 General conditions

Brief description of the State’s designated authority responsible for aerodromes and heliports, including:

1) the general conditions under which aerodromes/heliports and associated facilities are available for use; and

2) a statement concerning the ICAO documents on which the services are based and a reference to the AIP location where differences, if any, are listed.

AD 1.1.2 Use of military air bases

Regulations and procedures, if any, concerning civil use of military air bases.

AD 1.1.3 Low visibility procedures

The general conditions under which the low visibility procedures applicable to Cat II/III operations at aerodromes, if any, are applied.

AD 1.1.4 Aerodrome operating minima

Details of aerodrome operating minima applied by the State.

AD 1.1.5 Other information
If applicable, other information of a similar nature.

AD 1.2 Rescue and firefighting services and snow plan

AD 1.2.1 Rescue and firefighting services

Brief description of rules governing the establishment of rescue and firefighting services at aerodromes and heliports available for public use together with an indication of rescue and firefighting categories established by a State.

AD 1.2.2 Snow plan

Brief description of general snow plan considerations for aerodromes/heliports available for public use at which snow conditions are normally liable to occur, including:

1) organization of the winter service;
2) surveillance of movement areas;
3) measuring methods and measurements taken;
4) actions taken to maintain the usability of movement areas;
5) system and means of reporting;
6) the cases of runway closure; and
7) distribution of information about snow conditions.

Note.— Where different snow plan considerations apply at aerodromes/heliports, this subsection may be subdivided accordingly.

AD 1.3 Index to aerodromes and heliports

A list, supplemented by graphic portrayal, of aerodromes and heliports within a State, including:

1) aerodrome/heliport name and ICAO location indicator;
2) type of traffic permitted to use the aerodrome/heliport (international/national, IFR/VFR, scheduled/non-scheduled, general aviation, military and other); and
3) reference to AIP, Part 3 subsection in which aerodrome/heliport details are presented.

AD 1.4 Grouping of aerodromes/heliports

Brief description of the criteria applied by the State in grouping aerodromes/heliports for production/distribution/provision of information purposes (international/national; primary/secondary; major/other; civil/military; etc.).
AD 1.5 Status of certification of aerodromes

A list of aerodromes in the State, indicating the status of certification, including:

1) aerodrome name and ICAO location indicator;

2) date and, if applicable, validity of certification; and

3) remarks, if any.

AD 2. AERODROMES

**** AD 2.1 Aerodrome location indicator and name

The requirement is for the ICAO location indicator allocated to the aerodrome and the name of aerodrome. An ICAO location indicator should be an integral part of the referencing system applicable to all subsections in section AD 2.

**** AD 2.2 Aerodrome geographical and administrative data

The requirement is for aerodrome geographical and administrative data, including:

1) aerodrome reference point (geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds) and its site;

2) direction and distance of aerodrome reference point from centre of the city or town which the aerodrome serves;

3) aerodrome elevation to the nearest metre or foot, reference temperature and mean low temperature;

4) where appropriate, geoid undulation at the aerodrome elevation position to the nearest metre or foot;

5) magnetic variation to the nearest degree, date of information and annual change;

6) name of aerodrome operator, address, telephone and telefax numbers, e-mail address, AFS address and, if available, website address;

7) types of traffic permitted to use the aerodrome (IFR/VFR); and

8) remarks.

**** AD 2.3 Operational hours

Detailed description of the hours of operation of services at the aerodrome, including:

1) aerodrome operator;
2) customs and immigration;
3) health and sanitation;
4) AIMD briefing office;
5) ATS reporting office (ARO);
6) MET briefing office;
7) air traffic service;
8) fuelling;
9) handling;
10) security;
11) de-icing; and
12) remarks.

**** AD 2.4 Handling services and facilities
Detailed description of the handling services and facilities available at the aerodrome, including:
1) cargo-handling facilities;
2) fuel and oil types;
3) fuelling facilities and capacity;
4) de-icing facilities;
5) hangar space for visiting aircraft;
6) repair facilities for visiting aircraft; and
7) remarks.

**** AD 2.5 Passenger facilities
Passenger facilities available at the aerodrome, provided as a brief description or a reference to other information sources such as a website, including:
1) hotel(s) at or in the vicinity of aerodrome;
2) restaurant(s) at or in the vicinity of aerodrome;
3) transportation possibilities;
4) medical facilities;
5) bank and post office at or in the vicinity of aerodrome;
6) tourist office; and
7) remarks.

**** AD 2.6 Rescue and firefighting services

Detailed description of the rescue and firefighting services and equipment available at the aerodrome, including:

1) aerodrome category for firefighting;
2) rescue equipment;
3) capability for removal of disabled aircraft; and
4) remarks.

**** AD 2.7 Seasonal availability — clearing

Detailed description of the equipment and operational priorities established for the clearance of aerodrome movement areas, including:

1) type(s) of clearing equipment;
2) clearance priorities; and
3) remarks.

**** AD 2.8 Aprons, taxiways and check locations/positions data

Details related to the physical characteristics of aprons, taxiways and locations/positions of designated checkpoints, including:

1) designation, surface and strength of aprons;
2) designation, width, surface and strength of taxiways;
3) location and elevation to the nearest metre or foot of altimeter checkpoints;
4) location of VOR checkpoints;
5) position of INS checkpoints in degrees, minutes, seconds and hundredths of seconds; and
6) remarks.

If check locations/positions are presented on an aerodrome chart, a note to that effect should be provided under this
**** AD 2.9  Surface movement guidance and control system and markings

Brief description of the surface movement guidance and control system and runway and taxiway markings, including:

1) use of aircraft stand identification signs, taxiway guide lines and visual docking/parking guidance system at aircraft stands;
2) runway and taxiway markings and lights;
3) stop bars and runway guard lights (if any);
4) other runway protection measures; and
5) remarks.

**** AD 2.10  Aerodrome obstacles

#OBS-DS# Detailed description of obstacles, including:

1) obstacles in Area 2:
   a) obstacle identification or designation;
   b) type of obstacle;
   c) obstacle position, represented by geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and tenths of seconds;
   d) obstacle elevation and height to the nearest metre or foot;
   e) obstacle marking, and type and colour of obstacle lighting (if any); and
   f) NIL indication, if appropriate.

   Note 1.— Annex 15, Chapter 5 provides a description of Area 2 while Appendix 8, Figure A8-2 of this document contains graphical illustrations of obstacle data collection surfaces and criteria used to identify obstacles in Area 2.

   Note 2.— Specifications concerning the determination and reporting (accuracy of field work and data integrity) of positions (latitude and longitude) and elevations for obstacles in Area 2 are given in Appendix 1.

2) the absence of an Area 2 data set for the aerodrome is to be clearly stated and obstacle data are to be provided for:
   a) obstacles that penetrate the obstacle limitation surfaces;
   b) obstacles that penetrate the take-off flight path area obstacle identification surface; and
   c) other obstacles assessed as being hazardous to air navigation.

3) indication that information on obstacles in Area 3 is not provided, or if provided:
   a) obstacle identification or designation;
b) type of obstacle;

c) obstacle position, represented by geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and tenths of seconds;

d) obstacle elevation and height to the nearest tenth of a metre or tenth of a foot;

e) obstacle marking, and type and colour of obstacle lighting (if any);

f) if appropriate, an indication that the list of obstacles is available as a digital data set, and a reference to GEN 3.1.6; and

g) NIL indication, if appropriate.

Note 1.— Annex 15, Chapter 5, provides a description of Area 3 while Appendix 8, Figure A8-3 of this document contains graphical illustrations of obstacle data collection surfaces and criteria used to identify obstacles in Area 3.

Note 2.— Specifications concerning the determination and reporting (accuracy of field work and data integrity) of positions (latitude and longitude) and elevations for obstacles in Area 3 are given in Appendix 1.

**** AD 2.11 Meteorological information provided

Detailed description of meteorological information provided at the aerodrome and an indication of which meteorological office is responsible for the service enumerated, including:

1) name of the associated meteorological office;

2) hours of service and, where applicable, the designation of the responsible meteorological office outside these hours;

3) office responsible for preparation of TAFs and periods of validity and interval of issuance of the forecasts;

4) availability of the trend forecasts for the aerodrome, and interval of issuance;

5) information on how briefing and/or consultation is provided;

6) types of flight documentation supplied and language(s) used in flight documentation;

7) charts and other information displayed or available for briefing or consultation;

8) supplementary equipment available for providing information on meteorological conditions, e.g. weather radar and receiver for satellite images;

9) the air traffic services unit(s) provided with meteorological information; and

10) additional information (e.g. concerning any limitation of service).

**** AD 2.12 Runway physical characteristics

Detailed description of runway physical characteristics, for each runway, including:

1) designations;
2) true bearings to one-hundredth of a degree;

3) dimensions of runways to the nearest metre or foot;

4) strength of pavement (PCN and associated data) and surface of each runway and associated stopways;

5) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and hundredths of seconds for each threshold and runway end and, where appropriate, geoid undulation of:
   — thresholds of a non-precision approach runway to the nearest metre or foot; and
   — thresholds of a precision approach runway to the nearest tenth of a metre or tenth of a foot;

6) elevations of:
   — thresholds of a non-precision approach runway to the nearest metre or foot; and
   — thresholds and the highest elevation of the touchdown zone of a precision approach runway to the nearest tenth of a metre or tenth of a foot;

7) slope of each runway and associated stopways;

8) dimensions of stopway (if any) to the nearest metre or foot;

9) dimensions of clearway (if any) to the nearest metre or foot;

10) dimensions of strips;

11) dimensions of runway end safety areas;

12) location (which runway end) and description of arresting system (if any);

13) the existence of an obstacle-free zone; and

14) remarks.

**** AD 2.13 Declared distances

Detailed description of declared distances to the nearest metre or foot for each direction of each runway, including:

1) runway designator;

2) take-off run available;

3) take-off distance available, and if applicable, alternative reduced declared distances;

4) accelerate-stop distance available;

5) landing distance available; and

6) remarks, including runway entry or start point where alternative reduced declared distances have been declared.
If a runway direction cannot be used for take-off or landing, or both, because it is operationally forbidden, then this should be declared and the words “not usable” or the abbreviation “NU” entered (Annex 14, Volume I, Attachment A, Section 3).

**** AD 2.14 Approach and runway lighting

Detailed description of approach and runway lighting, including:

1) runway designator;
2) type, length and intensity of approach lighting system;
3) runway threshold lights, colour and wing bars;
4) type of visual approach slope indicator system;
5) length of runway touchdown zone lights;
6) length, spacing, colour and intensity of runway centre line lights;
7) length, spacing, colour and intensity of runway edge lights;
8) colour of runway end lights and wing bars;
9) length and colour of stopway lights; and
10) remarks.

**** AD 2.15 Other lighting and secondary power supply

Description of other lighting and secondary power supply, including:

1) location, characteristics and hours of operation of aerodrome beacon/identification beacon (if any);
2) location and lighting (if any) of anemometer/landing direction indicator;
3) taxiway edge and taxiway centre line lights;
4) secondary power supply including switch-over time; and
5) remarks.

**** AD 2.16 Helicopter landing area

Detailed description of helicopter landing area provided at the aerodrome, including:

1) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and hundredths of seconds and, where appropriate, geoid undulation of the geometric centre of touchdown and lift-off (TLOF) or of each threshold of final approach and take-off (FATO) area:
— for non-precision approaches, to the nearest metre or foot; and
— for precision approaches, to the nearest tenth of a metre or tenth of a foot;

2) TLOF and/or FATO area elevation:
   — for non-precision approaches, to the nearest metre or foot; and
   — for precision approaches, to the nearest tenth of a metre or tenth of a foot;

3) TLOF and FATO area dimensions to the nearest metre or foot, surface type, bearing strength and marking;

4) true bearings to one-hundredth of a degree of FATO;

5) declared distances available, to the nearest metre or foot;

6) approach and FATO lighting; and

7) remarks.

**** AD 2.17 Air traffic services airspace

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of air traffic services (ATS) airspace organized at the aerodrome, including:

1) airspace designation and geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of the lateral limits;

2) vertical limits;

3) airspace classification;

4) call sign and language(s) of the ATS unit providing service;

5) transition altitude;

6) hours of applicability; and

7) remarks.

**** AD 2.18 Air traffic services communication facilities

Detailed description of ATS communication facilities established at the aerodrome, including:

1) service designation;

2) call sign;

3) channel(s);

4) SATVOICE number(s), if available;
5) logon address, as appropriate;
6) hours of operation; and
7) remarks.

**** AD 2.19 Radio navigation and landing aids

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of radio navigation and landing aids associated with the instrument approach and the terminal area procedures at the aerodrome, including:

1) type of aids, magnetic variation to the nearest degree, as appropriate, and type of supported operation for ILS/MLS, basic GNSS, SBAS, and GBAS, and for VOR/ILS/MLS also station declination to the nearest degree used for technical line-up of the aid;
2) identification, if required;
3) frequency(ies), channel number(s), service provider and reference path identifier(s) (RPI), as appropriate;
4) hours of operation, as appropriate;
5) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and tenths of seconds of the position of the transmitting antenna, as appropriate;
6) elevation of the transmitting antenna of DME to the nearest 30 m (100 ft) and of DME/P to the nearest 3 m (10 ft); elevation of GBAS reference point to the nearest metre or foot, and the ellipsoid height of the point to the nearest metre or foot. For SBAS, the ellipsoid height of the landing threshold point (LTP) or the fictitious threshold point (FTP) to the nearest metre or foot; 
7) service volume radius from the GBAS reference point to the nearest kilometre or nautical mile; and
8) remarks.

When the same aid is used for both en-route and aerodrome purposes, a description should also be given in section ENR 4. If the GBAS serves more than one aerodrome, description of the aid should be provided under each aerodrome. If the operating authority of the facility is other than the designated governmental agency, the name of the operating authority should be indicated in the remarks column. Facility coverage should be indicated in the remarks column.

**** AD 2.20 Local aerodrome regulations

Detailed description of regulations applicable to the use of the aerodrome, including the acceptability of training flights, non-radio and microlight aircraft and similar, and to ground manoeuvring and parking but excluding flight procedures.

**** AD 2.21 Noise abatement procedures

Detailed description of noise abatement procedures established at the aerodrome.

**** AD 2.22 Flight procedures
Detailed description of the conditions and flight procedures, including radar and/or ADS-B procedures, established on the basis of airspace organization at the aerodrome. When established, detailed description of the low visibility procedures at the aerodrome, including:

1) runway(s) and associated equipment authorized for use under low visibility procedures;
2) defined meteorological conditions under which initiation, use and termination of low visibility procedures would be made;
3) description of ground marking/lighting for use under low visibility procedures; and
4) remarks.

**** AD 2.23 Additional information

Additional information at the aerodrome, such as an indication of bird concentrations at the aerodrome, together with an indication of significant daily movement between resting and feeding areas, to the extent practicable.

**** AD 2.24 Charts related to an aerodrome

The requirement is for charts related to an aerodrome to be included in the following order:

1) Aerodrome/Heliport Chart — ICAO;
2) Aircraft Parking/Docking Chart — ICAO;
3) Aerodrome Ground Movement Chart — ICAO;
4) Aerodrome Obstacle Chart — ICAO Type A (for each runway);
5) Aerodrome Obstacle Chart — ICAO Type B (when available);
6) Aerodrome Terrain and Obstacle Chart — ICAO (Electronic);
7) Precision Approach Terrain Chart — ICAO (precision approach Cat II and III runways);
8) Area Chart — ICAO (departure and transit routes);
9) Standard Departure Chart — Instrument — ICAO;
10) Area Chart — ICAO (arrival and transit routes);
11) Standard Arrival Chart — Instrument — ICAO;
12) ATC Surveillance Minimum Altitude Chart — ICAO;
13) Instrument Approach Chart — ICAO (for each runway and procedure type);
14) Visual Approach Chart — ICAO; and
15) bird concentrations in the vicinity of the aerodrome.

If some of the charts are not produced, a statement to this effect should be given in section GEN 3.2.

*Note.— A page pocket may be used in the AIP to include the Aerodrome Terrain and Obstacle Chart — ICAO (Electronic) on appropriate electronic media.*

**AD 3. HELIPORTS**

When a helicopter landing area is provided at the aerodrome, associated data should be listed only under **** AD 2.16.

*Note.— **** is to be replaced by the relevant ICAO location indicator.*

**** AD 3.1 Heliport location indicator and name

The requirement is for the ICAO location indicator assigned to the heliport and the name of heliport. An ICAO location indicator should be an integral part of the referencing system applicable to all subsections in section AD 3.

**** AD 3.2 Heliport geographical and administrative data

The requirement is for heliport geographical and administrative data, including:

1) heliport reference point (geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds) and its site;
2) direction and distance of heliport reference point from centre of the city or town which the heliport serves;
3) heliport elevation to the nearest metre or foot, reference temperature and mean low temperature;
4) where appropriate, geoid undulation at the heliport elevation position to the nearest metre or foot;
5) magnetic variation to the nearest degree, date of information and annual change;
6) name of heliport operator, address, telephone and telefax numbers, e-mail address, AFS address and, if available, website address;
7) types of traffic permitted to use the heliport (IFR/VFR); and
8) remarks.

**** AD 3.3 Operational hours

Detailed description of the hours of operation of services at the heliport, including:

1) heliport operator;
2) customs and immigration;
3) health and sanitation;
4) AIMD briefing office;
5) ATS reporting office (ARO);
6) MET briefing office;
7) air traffic service;
8) fuelling;
9) handling;
10) security;
11) de-icing; and
12) remarks.

**** AD 3.4 Handling services and facilities

Detailed description of the handling services and facilities available at the heliport, including:

1) cargo-handling facilities;
2) fuel and oil types;
3) fuelling facilities and capacity;
4) de-icing facilities;
5) hangar space for visiting helicopters;
6) repair facilities for visiting helicopters; and
7) remarks.

**** AD 3.5 Passenger facilities

Passenger facilities available at the heliport, provided as a brief description or as a reference to other information sources such as a website, including:

1) hotel(s) at or in the vicinity of the heliport;
2) restaurant(s) at or in the vicinity of the heliport;
3) transportation possibilities;
4) medical facilities;
5) bank and post office at or in the vicinity of the heliport;
6) tourist office; and
7) remarks.

**** AD 3.6 Rescue and firefighting services

Detailed description of the rescue and firefighting services and equipment available at the heliport, including:
1) heliport category for firefighting;
2) rescue equipment;
3) capability for removal of disabled helicopters; and
4) remarks.

**** AD 3.7 Seasonal availability — clearing

Detailed description of the equipment and operational priorities established for the clearance of heliport movement areas, including:
1) type(s) of clearing equipment;
2) clearance priorities; and
3) remarks.

**** AD 3.8 Aprons, taxiways and check locations/positions data

Details related to the physical characteristics of aprons, taxiways and locations/positions of designated checkpoints, including:
1) designation, surface and strength of aprons, helicopter stands;
2) designation, width and surface type of helicopter ground taxiways;
3) width and designation of helicopter air taxiway and air transit route;
4) location and elevation to the nearest metre or foot of altimeter checkpoints;
5) location of VOR checkpoints;
6) position of INS checkpoints in degrees, minutes, seconds and hundredths of seconds; and
7) remarks.
If check locations/positions are presented on a heliport chart, a note to that effect should be provided under this subsection.

**** AD 3.9 Markings and markers

Brief description of final approach and take-off area and taxiway markings and markers, including:

1) final approach and take-off markings;
2) taxiway markings, air taxiway markers and air transit route markers; and
3) remarks.

**** AD 3.10 Heliport obstacles

#OBS-DS# Detailed description of obstacles, including:

1) obstacle identification or designation;
2) type of obstacle;
3) obstacle position, represented by geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and tenths of seconds;
4) obstacle elevation and height to the nearest metre or foot;
5) obstacle marking, and type and colour of obstacle lighting (if any); and
6) NIL indication, if appropriate.

**** AD 3.11 Meteorological information provided

Detailed description of meteorological information provided at the heliport and an indication of which meteorological office is responsible for the service enumerated, including:

1) name of the associated meteorological office;
2) hours of service and, where applicable, the designation of the responsible meteorological office outside these hours;
3) office responsible for preparation of TAFs, and periods of validity of the forecasts;
4) availability of the trend forecasts for the heliport, and interval of issuance;
5) information on how briefing and/or consultation is provided;
6) type of flight documentation supplied and language(s) used in flight documentation;
7) charts and other information displayed or available for briefing or consultation;
8) supplementary equipment available for providing information on meteorological conditions, e.g. weather radar and receiver for satellite images;
9) the ATS unit(s) provided with meteorological information; and

10) additional information (e.g. concerning any limitation of service).

**** AD 3.12  Heliport data

Detailed description of heliport dimensions and related information, including:

1) heliport type (surface-level, elevated or helideck);
2) touchdown and lift-off (TLOF) area dimensions to the nearest metre or foot;
3) true bearings to one-hundredth of a degree of final approach and take-off (FATO) area;
4) dimensions to the nearest metre or foot of FATO, and surface type;
5) surface and bearing strength in tonnes (1 000 kg) of TLOF;
6) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and hundredths of seconds and, where appropriate, geoid undulation of the geometric centre of TLOF or of each threshold of FATO:
   — for non-precision approaches, to the nearest metre or foot; and
   — for precision approaches, to the nearest tenth of a metre or tenth of a foot;
7) TLOF and/or FATO slope and elevation:
   — for non-precision approaches, to the nearest metre or foot; and
   — for precision approaches, to the nearest tenth of a metre or tenth of a foot;
8) dimensions of safety area;
9) dimensions, to the nearest metre or foot, of helicopter clearway;
10) the existence of an obstacle-free sector; and
11) remarks.

**** AD 3.13  Declared distances

Detailed description of declared distances to the nearest metre or foot, where relevant for a heliport, including:

1) take-off distance available, and if applicable, alternative reduced declared distances;
2) rejected take-off distance available;
3) landing distance available; and
4) remarks, including entry or start point where alternative reduced declared distances have been declared.
**** AD 3.14  Approach and FATO lighting

Detailed description of approach and FATO lighting, including:

1) type, length and intensity of approach lighting system;

2) type of visual approach slope indicator system;

3) characteristics and location of FATO area lights;

4) characteristics and location of aiming point lights;

5) characteristics and location of TLOF lighting system; and

6) remarks.

**** AD 3.15  Other lighting and secondary power supply

Description of other lighting and secondary power supply, including:

1) location, characteristics and hours of operation of heliport beacon;

2) location and lighting of wind direction indicator (WDI);

3) taxiway edge and taxiway centre line lights;

4) secondary power supply including switch-over time; and

5) remarks.

**** AD 3.16  Air traffic services airspace

#AIP-DS# Detailed description of air traffic services (ATS) airspace organized at the heliport, including:

1) airspace designation and geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes and seconds of the lateral limits;

2) vertical limits;

3) airspace classification;

4) call sign and language(s) of ATS unit providing service;

5) transition altitude;

6) hours of applicability; and

7) remarks.

**** AD 3.17  Air traffic services communication facilities
Detailed description of ATS communication facilities established at the heliport, including:

1) service designation;
2) call sign;
3) channel(s);
4) SATVOICE number(s), if available;
5) logon address, as appropriate;
6) hours of operation; and
7) remarks.

**** AD 3.18 Radio navigation and landing aids

Detailed description of radio navigation and landing aids associated with the instrument approach and the terminal area procedures at the heliport, including:

1) type of aids, magnetic variation to the nearest degree, as appropriate, and type of supported operation for ILS/MLS, basic GNSS, SBAS and GBAS, and for VOR/ILS/MLS also station declination to the nearest degree used for technical line-up of the aid;
2) identification, if required;
3) frequency(ies), channel number(s), service provider and reference path identifier(s) (RPI), as appropriate;
4) hours of operation, as appropriate;
5) geographical coordinates in degrees, minutes, seconds and tenths of seconds of the position of the transmitting antenna, as appropriate;
6) elevation of the transmitting antenna of DME to the nearest 30 m (100 ft) and of DME/P to the nearest 3 m (10 ft), elevation of GBAS reference point to the nearest metre or foot, and the ellipsoid height of the point to the nearest metre or foot. For SBAS, the ellipsoid height of the landing threshold point (LTP) or the fictitious threshold point (FTP) to the nearest metre or foot;
7) service volume radius from the GBAS reference point to the nearest kilometre or nautical mile; and
8) remarks.

When the same aid is used for both en-route and heliport purposes, a description should also be given in section ENR 4. If the GBAS serves more than one heliport, description of the aid should be provided under each heliport. If the operating authority of the facility is other than the designated governmental agency, the name of the operating authority should be indicated in the remarks column. Facility coverage should be indicated in the remarks column.

**** AD 3.19 Local heliport regulations

Detailed description of regulations applicable to the use of the heliport, including the acceptability of training flights, non-radio and microlight aircraft and similar, and to ground manoeuvring and parking but excluding flight procedures.

**** AD 3.20 Noise abatement procedures
Detailed description of noise abatement procedures established at the heliport.

**** AD 3.21 Flight procedures

Detailed description of the conditions and flight procedures, including radar and/or ADS-B procedures, established on the basis of airspace organization established at the heliport. When established, detailed description of the low visibility procedures at the heliport, including:

1) touchdown and lift-off (TLOF) area(s) and associated equipment authorized for use under low visibility procedures;
2) defined meteorological conditions under which initiation, use and termination of low visibility procedures would be made;
3) description of ground marking/lighting for use under low visibility procedures; and
4) remarks.

**** AD 3.22 Additional information

Additional information about the heliport, such as an indication of bird concentrations at the heliport, together with an indication of significant daily movement between resting and feeding areas, to the extent practicable.

**** AD 3.23 Charts related to a heliport

The requirement is for charts related to a heliport to be included in the following order:

1) Aerodrome/Heliport Chart — ICAO;
2) Area Chart — ICAO (departure and transit routes);
3) Standard Departure Chart — Instrument — ICAO;
4) Area Chart — ICAO (arrival and transit routes);
5) Standard Arrival Chart — Instrument — ICAO;
6) ATC Surveillance Minimum Altitude Chart — ICAO;
7) Instrument Approach Chart — ICAO (for each procedure type);
8) Visual Approach Chart — ICAO; and
9) bird concentrations in the vicinity of heliport.

If some of the charts are not produced, a statement to this effect should be given in section GEN 3.2.
Appendix 3

NOTAM FORMAT

*(see Chapter 5, 5.2.5)*

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Identification of ICAO location indicator in which the facility, airspace or condition reported on is located

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**Period of validity**

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**Text of NOTAM; plain-language entry (using ICAO abbreviations)**

| E) |

**Lower limit**

| F) |

**Upper limit**

| G) |

Signature

*Delete as appropriate*
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE NOTAM FORMAT

Note.— For NOTAM examples see the Aeronautical information management Departments Manual (Doc 8126) and the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — ICAO Abbreviations and Codes (PANS-ABC, Doc 8400).

1. General

The qualifier line (Item Q)) and all identifiers (Items A to G) inclusive) each followed by a closing parenthesis, as shown in the format, should be transmitted unless there is no entry to be made against a particular identifier.

2. NOTAM numbering

Each NOTAM should be allocated a series identified by a letter and a four-digit number followed by a stroke and a two-digit number for the year (e.g. A0023/03). Each series should start on 1 January with number 0001.

3. Qualifiers (Item Q)

Item Q) is divided into eight fields, each separated by a stroke. An entry should be made in each field. Examples of how fields are to be filled are shown in the Aeronautical information management Departments Manual (Doc 8126). The definition of the fields is as follows:

1) FIR
   a) If the subject of the information is located geographically within one FIR, the ICAO location indicator should be that of the FIR concerned. When an aerodrome is situated within the overlying FIR of another State, the first field of Item Q) should contain the code for that overlying FIR (e.g. Q) LFRR/...A) EGJJ);

   or,

   if the subject of the information is located geographically within more than one FIR, the FIR field should be composed of the ICAO nationality letters of the State originating the NOTAM followed by “XX”. (The location indicator of the overlying UIR should not be used). The ICAO location indicators of the FIRs concerned should then be listed in Item A) or indicator of State or non-governmental agency which is responsible for provision of a navigation service in more than one State.

   b) If one State issues a NOTAM affecting FIRs in a group of States, the first two letters of the ICAO location indicator of the issuing State plus “XX” should be included. The location indicators of the FIRs concerned should then be listed in Item A) or indicator of State or non-governmental agency which is responsible for provision of a navigation service in more than one State.

2) NOTAM CODE

All NOTAM Code groups contain a total of five letters and the first letter is always the letter Q. The second and third letters identify the subject, and the fourth and fifth letters denote the status or condition of the subject reported upon. The two-letter codes for subjects and conditions are those contained in the PANS-ABC (Doc 8400). For combinations of second and third, and fourth and fifth letters, refer to the NOTAM Selection Criteria contained in Doc 8126 or insert one of the following combinations, as appropriate:
a) If the subject is not listed in the NOTAM Code (PANS-ABC, Doc 8400) or in the NOTAM Selection Criteria (Doc 8126), insert “XX” as the second and third letters; If subject is “XX”, use “XX” also for condition (e.g. QXXXX).

b) If the condition of the subject is not listed in the NOTAM Code (Doc 8400) or in the NOTAM Selection Criteria (Doc 8126), insert “XX” as the fourth and fifth letters (e.g. QFAXX);

c) When a NOTAM containing operationally significant information is issued in accordance with Annex 15, 6.2.1, and when it is used to announce the existence of AIRAC AIP Amendments or Supplements, insert “TT” as the fourth and fifth letters of the NOTAM Code;

d) When a NOTAM is issued containing a checklist of valid NOTAM, insert “KMMM” as the second, third, fourth and fifth letters; and

e) The following fourth and fifth letters of the NOTAM Code should be used in NOTAM cancellations:

AK = RESUMED NORMAL OPERATION
AL = OPERATIVE (OR RE-OPERATIVE) SUBJECT TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED LIMITATIONS/CONDITIONS
AO = OPERATIONAL
CC = COMPLETED
CN = CANCELLED
HV = WORK COMPLETED
XX = PLAIN LANGUAGE

Note 1.— As Q - - AO = Operational is used for NOTAM cancellation, NOTAM promulgating new equipment or services use the following fourth and fifth letters Q - - CS = Installed.

Note 2.— Q - - CN = CANCELLED should be used to cancel planned activities, e.g. navigation warnings; Q - - HV = WORK COMPLETED is used to cancel work in progress.

3) TRAFFIC

I = IFR
V = VFR
K = NOTAM is a checklist

Note.— Depending on the NOTAM subject and content, the qualifier field TRAFFIC may contain combined qualifiers. Guidance concerning the combination of TRAFFIC qualifiers with subject and conditions in accordance with the NOTAM Selection Criteria is contained in Doc 8126.

4) PURPOSE

N = NOTAM selected for the immediate attention of flight crew members
B = NOTAM of operational significance selected for PIB entry
O = NOTAM concerning flight operations
M = Miscellaneous NOTAM; not subject for a briefing, but available on request
K = NOTAM is a checklist

Note.— Depending on the NOTAM subject and content, the qualifier field PURPOSE may contain the combined qualifiers BO or NBO. Guidance concerning the combination of PURPOSE qualifiers with subject and conditions in accordance with the NOTAM Selection Criteria is contained in Doc 8126.
5) SCOPE

A = Aerodrome
E = En-route
W = Nav Warning
K = NOTAM is a checklist

If the subject is qualified AE, the aerodrome location indicator should be reported in Item A).

Note.— Depending on the NOTAM subject and content, the qualifier field SCOPE may contain combined qualifiers. Guidance concerning the combination of SCOPE qualifiers with subject and conditions in accordance with the NOTAM Selection Criteria is contained in Doc 8126.

6) and 7) LOWER/UPPER LIMITS

Lower and upper limits should only be expressed in flight levels (FL) and should express the actual vertical limits of the area of influence without the addition of buffers. In the case of navigation warnings and airspace restrictions, values entered should be consistent with those provided under Items F) and G).

If the subject does not contain specific height information, insert “000” for LOWER and “999” for UPPER as default values.

8) COORDINATES, RADIUS

The latitude and longitude accurate to one minute, as well as a three-digit distance figure giving the radius of influence in NM (e.g. 4700N01140E043). Coordinates present approximate centre of circle whose radius encompasses the whole area of influence, and if the NOTAM affects the entire FIR/UIR or more than one FIR/UIR, enter the default value “999” for radius.

4. Item A)

Insert the ICAO location indicator as contained in Doc 7910 of the aerodrome or FIR in which the facility, airspace, or condition being reported on is located. More than one FIR/UIR may be indicated when appropriate. If there is no available ICAO location indicator, use the ICAO nationality letter as given in ICAO Doc 7910, Part 2, plus “XX” and followed up in Item E) by the name, in plain language.

If information concerns GNSS, insert the appropriate ICAO location indicator allocated for a GNSS element or the common location indicator allocated for all elements of GNSS (except GBAS).

Note.— In the case of GNSS, the location indicator may be used when identifying a GNSS element outage (e.g. KNMH for a GPS satellite outage).

5. Item B)

For date-time group use a ten-figure group, giving year, month, day, hours and minutes in UTC. This entry is the date-time at which the NOTAMN comes into force. In the cases of NOTAMR and NOTAMC, the date-time group is the actual date and time of the NOTAM origination. The start of a day should be indicated by “0000”.

6. Item C)

With the exception of NOTAMC, a date-time group (a ten-figure group giving year, month, day, hours and minutes in
UTC) indicating duration of information should be used unless the information is of a permanent nature in which case the abbreviation “PERM” is inserted instead. The end of a day should be indicated by “2359” (i.e. do not use “2400”). If the information on timing is uncertain, the approximate duration should be indicated using a date-time group followed by the abbreviation “EST”. Any NOTAM which includes an “EST” should be cancelled or replaced before the date-time specified in Item C).

7. Item D)

If the hazard, status of operation or condition of facilities being reported on will be active in accordance with a specific time and date schedule between the dates-times indicated in Items B) and C), insert such information under Item D). If Item D) exceeds 200 characters, consideration should be given to providing such information in a separate, consecutive NOTAM.

*Note.— Guidance concerning a harmonized definition of Item D) content is provided in Doc 8126.*

8. Item E)

Use decoded NOTAM Code, complemented where necessary by ICAO abbreviations, indicators, identifiers, designators, call signs, frequencies, figures and plain language. When NOTAM is selected for international distribution, English text should be included for those parts expressed in plain language. This entry should be clear and concise in order to provide a suitable PIB entry. In the case of NOTAMC, a subject reference and status message should be included to enable accurate plausibility checks.

9. Items F) and G)

These items are normally applicable to navigation warnings or airspace restrictions and are usually part of the PIB entry. Insert both lower and upper height limits of activities or restrictions, clearly indicating only one reference datum and unit of measurement. The abbreviations GND or SFC should be used in Item F) to designate ground and surface respectively. The abbreviation UNL should be used in Item G) to designate unlimited.
### Appendix 4

#### SNOWTAM FORMAT

(see Chapter 5, 5.2.5.1.4)  
(applicable until 4 November 2020)

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#### SIGNATURE OF ORIGINATOR (not for transmission)

**NOTES:**  
2. Information on other runways, refer from B to P.
3. Words in brackets () not to be transmitted.
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE SNOWTAM FORMAT

1. **General**

a) When reporting on more than one runway, repeat Items B to P inclusive.

b) Items together with their indicator should be dropped completely, where no information is to be included.

c) Metric units should be used and the unit of measurement not reported.

d) The maximum validity of SNOWTAM is 8 hours. New SNOWTAM should be issued whenever a new runway condition report is received. The following changes relating to runway conditions are considered as significant:

   1) a change in the coefficient of friction of about 0.05;
   2) changes in depth of deposit greater than the following: 20 mm for dry snow, 10 mm for wet snow, 3 mm for slush;
   3) a change in the available length or width of a runway of 10 per cent or more;
   4) any change in the type of deposit or extent of coverage which requires reclassification in Items F or T of the SNOWTAM;
   5) when critical snow banks exist on one or both sides of the runway, any change in the height or distance from centre line;
   6) any change in the conspicuity of runway lighting caused by obscuring of the lights;
   7) any other conditions known to be significant according to experience or local circumstances.

e) The abbreviated heading “TTAA iiiii CCCC MMYYGgg (BBB)” is included to facilitate the automatic processing of SNOWTAM messages in computer data banks. The explanation of these symbols is:

   TT = data designator for SNOWTAM = SW;
   AA = geographical designator for States, e.g. LF = FRANCE, EG = United Kingdom (see Location Indicators (Doc 7910), Part 2, Index to Nationality Letters for Location Indicators);
   iiiii = SNOWTAM serial number in a four-digit group;
   CCCC = four-letter location indicator of the aerodrome to which the SNOWTAM refers (see Location Indicators (Doc 7910));
   MMYYGgg = date/time of observation/measurement, whereby:
       MM = month, e.g. January = 01, December = 12
       YY = day of the month
       GGgg = time in hours (GG) and minutes (gg) UTC;
   (BBB) = optional group for:
       Correction to SNOWTAM message previously disseminated with the same serial number = COR.

*Note 1.— Brackets in (BBB) are used to indicate that this group is optional.*
2. When reporting on more than one runway and individual dates/times of observation/measurement are indicated by repeated Item B, the latest date/time of observation/measuring is inserted in the abbreviated heading (MMYYGGgg).

Example: Abbreviated heading of SNOWTAM No. 149 from Zurich, measurement/observation of 7 November at 0620 UTC:

SWLS0149 LSZH 11070620

Note.— The information groups are separated by a space, as illustrated above.

f) The text “SNOWTAM” in the SNOWTAM Format and the SNOWTAM serial number in a four-digit group should be separated by a space, for example: SNOWTAM 0124.

g) For readability purposes for the SNOWTAM message, include a line feed after the SNOWTAM serial number, after Item A, after the last item referring to the runway (e.g. Item P) and after Item S.

2. **Item A** — Aerodrome location indicator (four-letter location indicator).

3. **Item B** — Eight-figure date/time group — giving time of observation as month, day, hour and minute in UTC; this item should always be completed.

4. **Item C** — Lower runway designator number.

5. **Item D** — Cleared runway length in metres, if less than published length (see Item T on reporting on part of runway not cleared).

6. **Item E** — Cleared runway width in metres, if less than published width; if offset left or right of centre line, add (without space) “L” or “R”, as viewed from the threshold having the lower runway designation number.

7. **Item F** — Deposit over total runway length as explained in SNOWTAM Format. Suitable combinations of these numbers may be used to indicate varying conditions over runway segments. If more than one deposit is present on the same portion of the runway, they should be reported in sequence from the top (closest to the sky) to the bottom (closest to the runway). Drifts, depths of deposit appreciably greater than the average values or other significant characteristics of the deposits may be reported under Item T in plain language. The values for each third of the runway should be separated by an oblique stroke (/), without space between the deposit values and the oblique stroke, for example: 47/47/47.

Note.— Definitions for the various types of snow are given at the end of this appendix.

8. **Item G** — Mean depth in millimetres deposit for each third of total runway length, or “XX” if not measurable or operationally not significant; the assessment to be made to an accuracy of 20 mm for dry snow, 10 mm for wet snow and 3 mm for slush. The values for each third of the runway should be separated by an oblique stroke (/), without space between the values and the oblique stroke, for example: 20/20/20.

9. **Item H** — Estimated surface friction on each third of the runway (single digit) in the order from the threshold having the lower runway designation number.

Friction measurement devices can be used as part of the overall runway surface assessment. Some States may have developed procedures for runway surface assessment which may include the use of information obtained from friction measuring devices and the reporting of quantitative values. In such cases, these procedures should be published in the Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP) and the reporting made in Item (T) of the
SNOWTAM format.

The values for each third of the runway are separated by an oblique stroke (/), without space between the values and the oblique stroke-, for example: 5/5/5.

10. *Item J* — Critical snow banks. If present insert height in centimetres and distance from edge of runway in metres, followed (without space) by left (“L”) or right (“R”) side or both sides (“LR”), as viewed from the threshold having the lower runway designation number.

11. *Item K* — If runway lights are obscured, insert “YES” followed (without space) by “L”, “R” or both “LR”, as viewed from the threshold having the lower runway designation number.

12. *Item L* — When further clearance will be undertaken, enter length and width of runway or “TOTAL” if runway will be cleared to full dimensions.

13. *Item M* — Enter the anticipated time of completion in UTC.

14. *Item N* — The code (and combination of codes) for Item F may be used to describe taxiway conditions; enter “NO” if no taxiways serving the associated runway are available.

15. *Item P* — If snow banks are higher than 60 cm, enter “YES” followed by the lateral distance parting the snow banks (the distance between) in metres.

16. *Item R* — The code (and combination of codes) for Item F may be used to describe apron conditions; enter “NO” if the apron is unusable.

17. *Item S* — Enter the anticipated time of next observation/measurement in UTC.

18. *Item T* — Describe in plain language any operationally significant information but always report on length of uncleared runway (Item D) and extent of runway contamination (Item F) for each third of the runway (if appropriate) in accordance with the following scale:

- RWY CONTAMINATION 10 PER CENT — if 10% or less of runway contaminated
- RWY CONTAMINATION 25 PER CENT — if 11–25% of runway contaminated
- RWY CONTAMINATION 50 PER CENT — if 26–50% of runway contaminated
- RWY CONTAMINATION 100 PER CENT — if 51–100% of runway contaminated

**EXAMPLE OF COMPLETED SNOWTAM FORMAT**

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GG EHAMZQZX EDDFZQZX EKCHZQZX
070645 LSZHNYNX
SWLS0149 LSZH 11070700
(SNOWTAM 0149
A) LSZH
B) 11070620
C) 02 D)...P)
B) 11070600
C) 09 D)...P)
B) 11070700
C) 12 D)...P)
R) NO
S) 11070920
T) DEICING
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*Note.— See the Aeronautical Information Services Manual (Doc 8126) for additional SNOWTAM examples incorporating different runway conditions.*
Definitions of the various types of snow

**Slush.** Water-saturated snow which with a heel-and-toe slap-down motion against the ground will be displaced with a splatter; specific gravity: 0.5 up to 0.8.

*Note.*—*Combinations of ice, snow and/or standing water may, especially when rain, rain and snow, or snow is falling, produce substances with specific gravities in excess of 0.8. These substances, due to their high water/ice content, will have a transparent rather than a cloudy appearance and, at the higher specific gravities, will be readily distinguishable from slush.*

**Snow (on the ground).**

a)  *Dry snow.* Snow which can be blown if loose or, if compacted by hand, will fall apart again upon release; specific gravity: up to but not including 0.35.

b)  *Wet snow.* Snow which, if compacted by hand, will stick together and tend to or form a snowball; specific gravity: 0.35 up to but not including 0.5.

c)  *Compacted snow.* Snow which has been compressed into a solid mass that resists further compression and will hold together or break up into lumps if picked up; specific gravity: 0.5 and over.
**Appendix 4. SNOWTAM FORMAT**

*(See Chapter 5, 5.2.5.1.4)*

*(applicable as of 5 November 2020)*

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**(CONDITION DESCRIPTION OVER TOTAL RUNWAY LENGTH)**

*(Observed on each runway third, starting from threshold having the lower runway designation number)*

- COMPACTED SNOW
- DRY
- DRY SNOW
- DRY SNOW ON TOP OF COMPACTED SNOW
- DRY SNOW ON TOP OF ICE
- FROST
- ICE
- SLUSH
- STANDING WATER
- WATER ON TOP OF COMPACTED SNOW
- WET
- WET ICE
- WET SNOW
- WET SNOW ON TOP OF COMPACTED SNOW
- WET SNOW ON TOP OF ICE

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**Situational awareness section**

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| (DRIFTING SNOW ON THE RUNWAY) | O | J) |
| (LOOSE SAND ON THE RUNWAY) | O | K) |
| (CHEMICAL TREATMENT ON THE RUNWAY) | O | L) |
| (SNOWBANKS ON THE RUNWAY) | O | M) |
| *(If present, distance from runway centre line (m) followed by “L”, “R” or “LR” as applicable)* | |
| (SNOWBANKS ON A TAXIWAY) | O | N) |
| (SNOWBANKS ADJACENT TO THE RUNWAY) | O | O) |
| (TAXIWAY CONDITIONS) | O | P) |
| (APRON CONDITIONS) | O | R) |
| (MEASURED FRICTION COEFFICIENT) | O | S) |
| (PLAIN-LANGUAGE REMARKS) | O | T) |

**NOTES:**

1. *Enter ICAO nationality letters as given in ICAO Doc 7910, Part 2 or otherwise applicable aerodrome identifier.*
2. Information on other runways, repeat from B to H.
3. Information in the situational awareness section repeated for each runway, taxiway and apron. Repeat as applicable when reported.
4. Words in brackets ( ) not to be transmitted.
5. For letters A) to T) not to the Instructions for the completion of the SNOWTAM Format, paragraph 1, item b).

**SIGNATURE OF ORIGINATOR (not for transmission)**

8/11/2018
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE SNOWTAM FORMAT

Note.— Origin of data, assessment process and the procedures linked to the surface conditions reporting system are prescribed in the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Aerodromes (PANS-Aerodromes, Doc 9981).

1. General
   a) When reporting on more than one runway, repeat Items B to H (aeroplane performance calculation section).
   b) The letters used to indicate items are only used for reference purpose and should not be included in the messages. The letters, M (mandatory), C (conditional) and O (optional) mark the usage and information and should be included as explained below.
   c) Metric units should be used and the unit of measurement not reported.
   d) The maximum validity of SNOWTAM is 8 hours. New SNOWTAM should be issued whenever a new runway condition report is received.
   e) A SNOWTAM cancels the previous SNOWTAM.
   f) The abbreviated heading “TTAAiiii CCCC MMYYGGgg (BBB)” is included to facilitate the automatic processing of SNOWTAM messages in computer data banks. The explanation of these symbols is:

   TT = data designator for SNOWTAM = SW;
   AA = geographical designator for States, e.g. LF = FRANCE, EG = United Kingdom (see Location Indicators (Doc 7910), Part 2, Index to Nationality Letters for Location Indicators);
   iii = SNOWTAM serial number in a four-digit group;
   CCCC = four-letter location indicator of the aerodrome to which the SNOWTAM refers (see Location Indicators (Doc 7910));
   MMYYGGgg = date/time of observation/measurement, whereby:
   MM = month, e.g. January = 01, December = 12
   YY = day of the month
   GGgg = time in hours (GG) and minutes (gg) UTC;
   (BBB) = optional group for correction, in the case of an error, to a SNOWTAM message previously disseminated with the same serial number = COR.

   Note 1.— Brackets in (BBB) are used to indicate that this group is optional.

   Note 2.— When reporting on more than one runway and individual dates/times of observation/assessment are indicated by repeated Item B, the latest date/time of observation/assessment is inserted in the abbreviated heading (MMYYGGgg).

   Example: Abbreviated heading of SNOWTAM No. 149 from Zurich, measurement/observation of 7 November at 0620 UTC:

   SWLS0149 LSZH 11070620

   Note.— The information groups are separated by a space, as illustrated above.

   g) The text “SNOWTAM” in the SNOWTAM Format and the SNOWTAM serial number in a four-digit group should be separated by a space, for example: SNOWTAM 0124.

   h) For readability purposes for the SNOWTAM message, include a line feed after the SNOWTAM serial number, after Item A, and after the aeroplane performance calculation section.

2. 8/11/2018
a) When reporting on more than one runway, repeat the information in the aeroplane performance calculation section from the date and time of assessment for each runway before the information in the situational awareness section.

b) Mandatory information is:

1) AERODROME LOCATION INDICATOR;

2) DATE AND TIME OF ASSESSMENT;

3) LOWER RUNWAY DESIGNATOR NUMBER;

4) RUNWAY CONDITION CODE FOR EACH RUNWAY THIRD; and

5) CONDITION DESCRIPTION FOR EACH RUNWAY THIRD (when runway condition code (RWYCC) is reported 1–5)

3. Aeroplane performance calculation section

Item A — Aerodrome location indicator (four-letter location indicator).

Item B — Date and time of assessment (eight-figure date/time group giving time of observation as month, day, hour and minute in UTC).

Item C — Lower runway designator number (nn[L] or nn[C] or nn[R]).

Note.— Only one runway designator is inserted for each runway and always the lower number.

Item D — Runway condition code for each runway third. Only one digit (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6) is inserted for each runway third, separated by an oblique stroke (n/n/n).

Item E — Per cent coverage for each runway third. When provided, insert 25, 50, 75 or 100 for each runway third, separated by an oblique stroke ([n]nn/[n]nn/[n]nn).

Note 1.— This information is provided only when the runway condition for each runway third (Item D) has been reported as other than 6 and there is a condition description for each runway third (Item G) that has been reported other than DRY.

Note 2.— When the conditions are not reported, this will be signified by the insertion of “NR” for the appropriate runway third(s).

Item F — Depth of loose contaminant for each runway third. When provided, insert in millimetres for each runway third, separated by an oblique stroke (nn/mn/mn or mn/mnn/mnn).

Note 1.— This information is only provided for the following contamination types:

— standing water, values to be reported 04, then assessed value. Significant changes 3 mm up to and including 15 mm;

— slush, values to be reported 03, then assessed value. Significant changes 3 mm up to and including 15 mm;

— wet snow, values to be reported 03, then assessed value. Significant changes 5 mm; and
— dry snow, values to be reported 03, then assessed value. Significant changes 20 mm.

Note 2.— When the conditions are not reported, this will be signified by the insertion of “NR” for the appropriate runway third(s).

Item G — Condition description for each runway third. Insert any of the following condition descriptions for each runway third, separated by an oblique stroke.

COMPACTED SNOW
DRY SNOW
DRY SNOW ON TOP OF COMPACTED SNOW
DRY SNOW ON TOP OF ICE
FROST
ICE
SLUSH
STANDING WATER
WATER ON TOP OF COMPACTED SNOW
WET
WET ICE
WET SNOW
WET SNOW ON TOP OF COMPACTED SNOW
WET SNOW ON TOP OF ICE

DRY (only reported when there is no contaminant)

Note.— When the conditions are not reported, this will be signified by the insertion of “NR” for the appropriate runway third(s).

Item H — Width of runway to which the runway condition codes apply. Insert the width in metres if less than the published runway width.

4. Situational awareness section

Note 1.— Elements in the situational awareness section end with a full stop.

Note 2.— Elements in the situational awareness section for which no information exists, or where the conditional circumstances for publication are not fulfilled, are left out completely.

Item I — Reduced runway length. Insert the applicable runway designator and available length in meters (example: RWY nn [L] or nn [C] or nn [R] REDUCED TO [n]nnn).

Note.— This information is conditional when a NOTAM has been published with a new set of declared distances.

Item J — Drifting snow on the runway. When reported, insert “DRIFTING SNOW”.

Item K — Loose sand on the runway. When loose sand is reported on the runway, insert the lower runway designator and with a space “LOOSE SAND” (RWY nn or RWY nn[L] or nn[C] or nn[R] LOOSE SAND).

Item L — Chemical treatment on the runway. When chemical treatment has been reported applied, insert the lower runway designator and with a space “CHEMICALLY TREATED” (RWY nn or RWY nn[L] or nn[C] or nn[R] CHEMICALLY TREATED).
Item M — Snow banks on the runway. When snow banks are reported present on the runway, insert the lower runway designator and with a space “SNOW BANK” and with a space left “L” or right “R” or both sides “LR”, followed by the distance in metres from centre line separated by a space FM CL (RWY nn or RWY nn[L] or nn[C] or nn[R] SNOW BANK Lnn or Rnn or LRnn FM CL).

Item N — Snow banks on a taxiway. When snow banks are present on a taxiway, insert the taxiway designator and with a space “SNOW BANK” (TWY [nn]n SNOW BANK).

Item O — Snow banks adjacent to the runway. When snow banks are reported present penetrating the height profile in the aerodrome snow plan, insert the lower runway designator and “ADJ SNOW BANKS” (RWY nn or RWY nn[L] or nn[C] or nn[R] ADJ SNOW BANKS).

Item P — Taxiway conditions. When taxiway conditions are reported as poor, insert the taxiway designator followed by a space “POOR” (TWY [n or nn] POOR or ALL TWYS POOR).

Item R — Apron conditions. When apron conditions are reported as poor, insert the apron designator followed by a space “POOR” (APRON [nnnn] POOR or ALL APRONS POOR).

Item S — Measured friction coefficient. Where reported, insert the measured friction coefficient and friction measuring device.

Note.— This will only be reported for States that have an established programme of runway friction measurement using a State-approved friction measuring device.

Item T — Plain language remarks.

EXAMPLE OF COMPLETED SNOWTAM FORMAT

Example SNOWTAM 1

GG EADBZQZX EADNZQZX EADSZQZX
170100 EADDYNYX
SWEA0149 EADD 02170055
(SNOWTAM 0149
eadd
02170055 09L 5/5/5 100/100/100 NR/NR/03 WET/WET/WET SNOW)

Example SNOWTAM 2

GG EADBZQZX EADNZQZX EADSZQZX
170140 EADDYNYX
SWEA0150 EADD 02170135
(SNOWTAM 0150
eadd
02170055 09L 5/5/5 100/100/100 NR/NR/03 WET/WET/WET SNOW
02170135 09R 5/2/2 100/50/75 NR/06/06 WET/SLUSH/SLUSH)

Example SNOWTAM 3

GG EADBZQZX EADNZQZX EADSZQZX
170229 EADDYNYX
SWEA0151 EADD 02170225
(SNOWTAM 0151
EADD
02170055 09L 5/5/5 100/100/100 NR/NR/03 WET/WET/WET SNOW
02170135 09R 5/2/2 100/50/75 NR/06/06 WET/SLUSH/SLUSH
02170225 09C 2/3/3 75/100/100 06/12/12 SLUSH/WET SNOW/WET SNOW

RWY 09L SNOW BANK R20 FM CL. RWY 09R ADJ SNOW BANKS. TWY B POOR. APRON NORTH POOR)

Example SNOWTAM 4

GG EADBZQZX EADNQZX EADSZQZX
170350 EADDYNYX
SWEA0152 EADD 02170345
(SNOWTAM 0152
EADD
02170345 09L 5/5/5 100/100/100 NR/NR/03 WET/WET/SLUSH
02170134 09R 5/2/2 100/50/75 NR/06/06 WET/SLUSH/SLUSH
02170225 09C 2/3/3 75/100/100 06/12/12 SLUSH/WET SNOW/WET SNOW 35

DRIFTING SNOW. RWY 09L LOOSE SAND. RWY 09R CHEMICALLY TREATED. RWY 09C CHEMICALLY TREATED.)
## Appendix 5

### ASHTAM FORMAT

*(See Chapter 5, 5.2.5.1.5)*

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<td>G)</td>
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<td>H)</td>
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<td>(CLOSURE OF AIRSPACE AND/OR AIR ROUTES OR PORTIONS OF AIR ROUTES, AND ALTERNATIVE AIR ROUTES AVAILABLE)</td>
<td>I)</td>
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<td>(SOURCE OF INFORMATION)</td>
<td>J)</td>
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<td>(PLAIN-LANGUAGE REMARKS)</td>
<td>K)</td>
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### NOTES:

1. See also Appendix 5 regarding addressee indicators used in predetermined distribution systems.
2. *Enter ICAO nationality letter as given in ICAO Doc 7910, Part 2.*
3. See paragraph 3.5 below.
4. Advice on the existence, extent and movement of volcanic ash cloud G) and H) may be obtained from the volcanic ash advisory centre(s) responsible for the FIR concerned.
5. Item titles in brackets ( ) not to be transmitted.

**SIGNATURE OF ORIGINATOR (not for transmission)**
INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE ASHTAM FORMAT

1. General

1.1 The ASHTAM provides information on the status of activity of a volcano when a change in its activity is, or is expected to be, of operational significance. This information is provided using the volcano level of alert colour code given in 3.5 below.

1.2 In the event of a volcanic eruption producing ash cloud of operational significance, the ASHTAM also provides information on the location, extent and movement of the ash cloud and the air routes and flight levels affected.

1.3 Issuance of an ASHTAM giving information on a volcanic eruption, in accordance with paragraph 3 below, should not be delayed until complete information A) to K) is available but should be issued immediately following receipt of notification that an eruption has occurred or is expected to occur, or a change in the status of activity of a volcano of operational significance has occurred or is expected to occur, or an ash cloud is reported. In the case of an expected eruption, and hence no ash cloud evident at that time, items A) to E) should be completed and items F) to I) indicated as “not applicable”. Similarly, if a volcanic ash cloud is reported, e.g. by special air-report, but the source volcano is not known at that time, the ASHTAM should be issued initially with items A) to E) indicated as “unknown”, and items F) to K) completed, as necessary, based on the special air-report, pending receipt of further information. In other circumstances, if information for a specific field A) to K) is not available, indicate “NIL”.

1.4 The maximum period of validity of ASHTAM is 24 hours. New ASHTAM should be issued whenever there is a change in the level of alert.

2. Abbreviated heading

2.1 Following the usual aeronautical fixed telecommunication network (AFTN) communications header, the abbreviated heading “TT AAiii CCCC MMYYGGgg (BBB)” is included to facilitate the automatic processing of ASHTAM messages in computer data banks. The explanation of these symbols is:

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<td>data designator for ASHTAM = VA;</td>
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<td>AA</td>
<td>geographical designator for States, e.g. NZ = New Zealand (see Location Indicators (Doc 7910), Part 2, Index to Nationality Letters for Location Indicators);</td>
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<td>iii</td>
<td>ASHTAM serial number in a four-figure group;</td>
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<td>CCCC</td>
<td>four-letter location indicator of the flight information region concerned (see Location Indicators (Doc 7910), Part 5, addresses of centres in charge of FIR/UIR);</td>
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<td>MMYYGGgg</td>
<td>date/time of report, whereby:</td>
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<td>MM = month, e.g. January = 01, December = 12</td>
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<td></td>
<td>YY = day of the month</td>
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<td></td>
<td>GGgg = time in hours (GG) and minutes (gg) UTC;</td>
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<td>(BBB)</td>
<td>Optional group for correction to an ASHTAM message previously disseminated with the same serial number = COR.</td>
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Note.— Brackets in (BBB) are used to indicate that this group is optional.

Example: Abbreviated heading of ASHTAM for Auckland Oceanic FIR, report on 7 November at 0620 UTC:

VANZ0001  NZZO  11070620
3. **Content of ASHTAM**

3.1 *Item A* — Flight information region affected, plain-language equivalent of the location indicator given in the abbreviated heading, in this example “Auckland Oceanic FIR”.

3.2 *Item B* — Date and time (UTC) of first eruption.

3.3 *Item C* — Name of volcano, and number of volcano as listed in the *Manual on Volcanic Ash, Radioactive Material and Toxic Chemical Clouds* (Doc 9691), Appendix E, and on the World Map of Volcanoes and Principal Aeronautical Features.

3.4 *Item D* — Latitude/Longitude of the volcano in whole degrees or radial and distance of volcano from NAVAID as listed in Doc 9691, Appendix E, and on the World Map of Volcanoes and Principal Aeronautical Features.

3.5 *Item E* — Colour code for level of alert indicating volcanic activity, including any previous level of alert colour code as follows:

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<td>GREEN ALERT</td>
<td>Volcano is in normal, non-eruptive state.</td>
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<td><em>or, after a change from a higher alert level:</em></td>
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<td>Volcanic activity considered to have ceased, and volcano reverted to its normal, non-eruptive state.</td>
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<td>YELLOW ALERT</td>
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Volcano is experiencing signs of elevated unrest above known background levels or, after a change from a higher alert level:

Volcanic activity has decreased significantly but continues to be closely monitored for possible renewed increase.

ORANGE ALERT
Volcano is exhibiting heightened unrest with increased likelihood of eruption.

or,

Volcanic eruption is underway with no or minor ash emission [specify ash-plume height if possible].

RED ALERT
Eruption is forecast to be imminent with significant emission of ash into the atmosphere likely.

or,

Eruption is underway with significant emission of ash into the atmosphere [specify ash-plume height if possible].

Note.—The colour code for the level of alert indicating the status of activity of the volcano and any change from a previous status of activity should be provided to the area control centre by the responsible vulcanological agency in the State concerned, e.g. “RED ALERT FOLLOWING YELLOW” OR “GREEN ALERT FOLLOWING ORANGE”.

3.6 Item F — If volcanic ash cloud of operational significance is reported, indicate the horizontal extent and base/top of the ash cloud using latitude/longitude (in whole degrees) and altitudes in thousands of metres (feet) and/or radial and distance from source volcano. Information initially may be based only on special air-report, but subsequent information may be more detailed based on advice from the responsible meteorological watch office and/or volcanic ash advisory centre.

3.7 Item G — Indicate forecast direction of movement of the ash cloud at selected levels based on advice from the responsible meteorological watch office and/or volcanic ash advisory centre.

3.8 Item H — Indicate air routes and portions of air routes and flight levels affected, or expected to become affected.

3.9 Item I — Indicate closure of airspace, air routes or portions of air routes, and availability of alternative routes.

3.10 Item J — The source of the information (e.g. “special air-report” or “vulcanological agency”) should always be indicated, whether an eruption has actually occurred or ash cloud reported, or not.

3.11 Item K — Include in plain language any operationally significant information additional to the foregoing.
## Appendix 6

**TERRAIN AND OBSTACLE ATTRIBUTES PROVISION REQUIREMENTS**

### Table A6-1. Terrain attributes

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Appendix 7

PREDETERMINED DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM FOR NOTAM
(See Chapter 5, 5.4.2.4, and Annex 10, Volume II, Chapter 4, 4.4.14)

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Appendix 8

TERRAIN AND OBSTACLE DATA REQUIREMENTS

(See CAR 15, Chapter 5)

Figure A8-1. Terrain data collection surfaces — Area 1 and Area 2

1. Within the area covered by a 10-km radius from the aerodrome reference point (ARP), terrain data should comply with the Area 2 numerical requirements.

2. In the area between 10 km and the terminal control area (TMA) boundary or 45-km radius (whichever is smaller), data on terrain that penetrates the horizontal plane 120 m above the lowest runway elevation should comply with the Area 2 numerical requirements.

3. In the area between 10 km and the TMA boundary or 45-km radius (whichever is smaller), data on terrain that does not penetrate the horizontal plane 120 m above the lowest runway elevation should comply with the Area 1 numerical requirements.
4. In those portions of Area 2 where flight operations are prohibited due to very high terrain or other local restrictions and/or regulations, terrain data should comply with the Area 1 numerical requirements.

5. Note.— Terrain data numerical requirements for Areas 1 and 2 are specified in Appendix 1.

Figure A8-2. Obstacle data collection surfaces — Area 1 and Area 2

1. Obstacle data should be collected and recorded in accordance with the Area 2 numerical requirements specified in Appendix 1.

2. In those portions of Area 2 where flight operations are prohibited due to very high terrain or other local restrictions and/or regulations, obstacle data should be collected and recorded in accordance with the Area 1 requirements.
Data on every obstacle within Area 1 whose height above the ground is 100 m or higher should be collected and recorded in the database in accordance with the Area 1 numerical requirements specified in Appendix 1.

**Figure A8-3. Terrain and obstacle data collection surface — Area 3**

Terrain and obstacle data in Area 3 should comply with the numerical requirements specified in Appendix 1.

**Figure A8-4. Terrain and obstacle data collection surface — Area 4**

Terrain and obstacle data in Area 4 should comply with the numerical requirements specified in Appendix 1.
Appendix 9

Service Level Agreement (SLA)

1. General Overview

1.1. Objectives

1.1.1. This Service Level Agreement [Agreement] between Aeronautical Information Management (AIM) Department and [Data Originator] aims to achieve the following objectives:

i. **Strengthen the coordination** on the supply, maintenance and publication of aeronautical data and aeronautical information pertaining to the facilities, services and navigation aids provided within Nepal;


iii. **Establish a framework** for key operational Service Standards and Performance Measurements to meet user’s needs;

iv. **Deliver consistent levels of service** for the provision of aeronautical data and aeronautical information; and

v. **Establish clear roles and responsibility** of the parties in the provision and dissemination of aeronautical data and aeronautical information.

Scope

1.1.2. This Agreement documents the agreed provision of service for the supply of aeronautical data and aeronautical information by [Data Originator] (“Originator”) to the AIM Department and the agreed standards to which the said information shall be published by the AIM Department.

1.1.3. This Agreement shall be in line with the requirements set forth in ICAO Annex 15 paragraph 2.1.5, which states that:

“Each Contracting State shall ensure that formal arrangements are established between originators of aeronautical data and aeronautical information service in relation to the timely and complete provision of aeronautical data and aeronautical information.”

1.1.4. This Agreement shall be in-line with the requirements set forth in CAR 14 Volume 1 paragraph 2.13.1,CAR 11 paragraph 2.22.1 which states that:
\textit{“To ensure that aeronautical information services units obtain information to enable them to provide up-to-date pre-flight information and to meet the need for in-flight information, arrangements shall be made between aeronautical information services and aerodrome (ATM) authorities responsible for aerodrome services (Air Traffic Services) to report to the responsible aeronautical information services unit, with a minimum of delay.”}\normalsize

1.2. Reference Documents

1.2.1. This Agreement, including the definition of the terms used, is established to fulfill the other relevant requirements in the following ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs), manuals and CAA regulations and requirements:

i. ICAO Annex 15/CAR 15 – Aeronautical Information Services.

ii. PANS AIM DOC 10066 - Procedures for Air Navigation Services Aeronautical Information Management.

iii. ICAO Annex 4/CAR 4 – Aeronautical Charts.


v. ICAO Doc 8126 – Aeronautical Information Services Manual


vii. ICAO Doc 9674 – Manual on the Quality Management System for Aeronautical Information Services

1.3. Validity Period

1.3.1. This Agreement shall be effective from (date) and shall continue to be valid until such time when either party initiates to terminate the Agreement.

1.3.2. This Agreement shall be reviewed every (validity period) years to ensure compliance to ICAO SARPs and international best practices and CAA requirements.

1.3.3. Updates or changes to this Agreement, if required before the periodic review, could be initiated by either party.

1.3.4. The \textbf{Civil Aviation Safety Regulatory (CASR) Directorate} shall be the authority to approve updates, changes and review to this Agreement.

2. Quality Management

2.1. Overview

2.1.1. Quality management gives the assurance that the aeronautical data and aeronautical information supplied by the Originator provides the confidence that quality requirements will be fulfilled. This includes establishing the data quality attributes and service standards of the parties to this Agreement.
2.2. **Data Quality Attributes**

2.2.1. The integrity of the aeronautical data shall be maintained throughout the data chain from the Originator to AIS and subsequently to the end users.

2.2.2. Data integrity classifications used within this Agreement is based on MOS AIS 2nd Edition, Appendix 1

2.2.3. The validation and verification procedures shall be based on the applicable integrity classifications as follows:

i. **Routine data:** avoid corruption throughout the processing of the data. The permitted maximum error rate is 1 in 1000, providing an integrity level of $1 \times 10^{-3}$ (ICAO Doc 9674).

ii. **Essential data:** assure corruption does not occur at any stage of the entire process and include additional processes as needed to address potential risks in the overall system architecture to further assure data integrity at this level. The permitted maximum error rate is 1 in 100,000, providing an integrity level of $1 \times 10^{-5}$ (ICAO Doc 9674).

iii. **Critical data:** assure corruption does not occur at any stage of the entire process and include additional integrity assurance processes to fully mitigate the effects of faults identified by thorough analysis of the overall system architecture as potential data integrity risks. The permitted maximum error rate is 1 in 100,000,000, providing an integrity level of $1 \times 10^{-8}$ (ICAO Doc 9674).

2.3. **Service Standards of (Name of Originator)**

2.3.1. The established service standards aim to outline the responsibilities of the originator as part of the quality management process of the aeronautical information data chain. (Name of Originator), as the Originator shall:

2.3.2. Supply, maintain and update AIM Department with aeronautical data and aeronautical information pertaining to the facilities, services and navigation aids provided within (Name of Aerodromes) for which (Data Originator) is responsible.

2.3.3. Provide AIM Department with a list of aeronautical data and aeronautical information authorized to supply, maintain and update the aeronautical data and aeronautical information published in the AIP Nepal, NOTAMs, AIP Supplements, AIP Amendments, and Aeronautical Information Circulars.

2.3.4. Maintain and update the list of subject owners for the aeronautical data and aeronautical information to be published and to inform AIM Department for accountability purpose, whenever there is a change.

2.3.5. Ensure that regular surveys are conducted by qualified and certified surveyors to determine and / or verify the accuracy and integrity of the aeronautical and obstacle / terrain data published in AIP Nepal. The surveyed aeronautical and obstacle / terrain data, including the WGS-84 coordinates, sent to AIM Department shall comply with the aeronautical data publication resolution and integrity classification stipulated in ICAO Annexes 4, 11, 14 and 15 and Civil Aviation requirements.
2.3.6. Ensure that accurate, updated and complete aeronautical data and aeronautical information is provided to AIM Department in sufficient time which comply with the AIRAC cycle cut-off date, where necessary, for timely publication and dissemination to users.

2.3.7. Ensure that all aeronautical data and aeronautical information submitted to AIM Department for publication of AMDT, AIP SUP and AIC must include the name of the originator or subject owner who have vetted and verified the submission, and a declaration that the aeronautical data and aeronautical information submitted is accurate, updated and complete.

2.3.8. Ensure that the submission of draft NOTAM for promulgation to AIM Department includes the name of person who issues, checks and approves, indicating that the information submitted is vetted and verified, and a declaration that the information submitted is accurate, updated and complete.

2.3.9. Be responsible and accountable for the accuracy and integrity of the aeronautical data provided to AIM Department. The aeronautical data provided shall be in accordance to the data integrity classification for aeronautical data specified in MOS AIS 2nd edition Appendix 1.

2.3.10. Conduct a yearly review of the AIP Nepal sections under their purview and update AIM Department accordingly and to provide a ‘Nil’ return to AIM Department after each review if no updates were required.

2.3.11. Check for permanent information that needs to be incorporated into AIP Nepal from the AIP SUP and NOTAMs submitted to AIM Department.

2.3.12. Ensure that personnel performing the role of Data Originator and checker are appropriately trained and equipped with the requisite knowledge, skills and abilities to prepare the draft aeronautical publications and submit NOTAM proposals to AIM Department for promulgation within the context of the established quality management system.

2.4. Service Standards of AIM Department

2.4.1. AIM Department is the entity responsible for the provision of aeronautical information services within the Kathmandu Flight Information Region (FIR). The timely availability of accurate, updated and complete aeronautical data and aeronautical information is necessary to ensure the safety, regularity and efficiency of air navigation. AIM Department shall:

i. Publish updates and changes to aeronautical data and aeronautical information through the most appropriate means (that is, AMDT, AIP SUP, AIC or NOTAM) taking into consideration the accuracy and timeliness of aeronautical data and aeronautical information submitted by [Data Originator].

ii. Publish permanent changes to AIP Nepal in accordance to the schedule of AMDT publication dates published in AIP Nepal and AIC.
iii. Check the submission date of the aeronautical data and aeronautical information against the regular AMDT publication schedule as stipulated in AIP Nepal on receipt of the aeronautical data and aeronautical information from {Data Originator}. If the aeronautical data and aeronautical information is received before the 15th March the aeronautical data and aeronautical information received will be checked for completeness and compliance with the aeronautical data and aeronautical information quality requirements for publication resolution, integrity and data classification stipulated in MOS AIS 2nd edition Appendix 1.

iv. Check the submission date of the aeronautical charts against the regular AMDT publication schedule as stipulated in AIP Nepal on receipt of the aeronautical charts from {Data Originator}. If the aeronautical charts are received before the 15th March, the charts received will be checked for compliance with the aeronautical chart specifications specified in ICAO Annex 4 and the aeronautical data quality requirements for chart resolution of geographical coordinates, integrity and data classification stipulated in MOS AIS 2nd edition Appendix 1.

v. Track the aeronautical data and aeronautical information submitted by {Data Originator} for errors and non-adherence to the specified timeline. Results of the tracking will be shared through a formal dialogue with {Data Originator} for compliance and to improve subsequent data submissions to AIM Department.

vi. Review, develop and implement work processes which include ICAO Annex 15 requirements with {Data Originator} on the submissions of aeronautical data and aeronautical information for publication.

vii. Assess the “Requests for NOTAM promulgation” to ensure that they are unambiguous and complete before the NOTAMs are promulgated.

**Service Level Indicators**

2.4.2. In order to fulfill the requirements for quality management, AIM Department shall be tracking errors detected / observed before and after publication of the aeronautical data and aeronautical information provided by {Data Originator}. These errors shall be communicated to {Data Originator} for follow up remedial actions.
2.4.3. The **Civil Aviation Safety Regularity Directorate**, as the authority to monitor the effectiveness of coordination between [Data Originator] and AIM Department, shall oversee the relevant compliance targets on timeliness and accuracy:

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**Amendments and Mediation**

2.5. **Amendments**

2.5.1. Either party can propose amendments and modifications to this Agreement through formal notification to the Civil Aviation Safety Regularity Directorate.

2.5.2. The Civil Aviation Safety Regularity Directorate shall be the approving authority of such amendments and modifications to this Agreement.

2.6. **Dispute Management**

2.6.1. Disputes between the parties relating to this Agreement and its interpretation shall be arbitrated by the Civil Aviation Safety Regularity Directorate.

2.7. **Point Of Contact**

2.7.1. [Data Originator] and AIM Department shall each appoint a point of contact to manage issues pertaining to the provisions in this Agreement.

2.7.2. All communications relating to this Agreement shall be jointly coordinated by the appointed point of contact.

2.7.3. The details of the appointed point of contact are in Annex A of this Agreement. Both parties agree to ensure that the point of contact details is updated. Amendments to the details of the point of contact do not require the review of the overall Agreement.
3. Agreement

3.1. This Agreement is concluded on {DD MMM of YYYY} by the following signatories:

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