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# **IFR Enroute Charts**

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# WHAT'S NEW?

Update as of 26 March 2020

The following charting items have been added to the Online Chart User's Guide since the Guide was last published on 30 January 2020:

# **VFR CHARTS**

#### Airport Symbol to Indicate Fuel Availability

There has been a criteria change for the depiction of fuel availability. The airport symbol tick marks will be shown when fuel is available at the airport. This is for any fuel type and any availability. Users should consult the Chart Supplement for the full details of fuel availability.

The revised note on the VFR Sectional Legend reads as follows:



# **IFR ENROUTE CHARTS**

#### **Coincident Airways/Routes with Unusable Segment**

When two airways/routes are coincident, but only one airway/route is designated as unusable, the following note indicating which airway the unusable symbology applies to will be placed in close proximity to the airway/route identifiers.

J91<mark>- Q67</mark>

# **TERMINAL PROCEDURE PUBLICATIONS (TPPS)**

No Changes Applied

FAA Chart User's Guide - What's New

# INTRODUCTION

This Chart User's Guide is an introduction to the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) aeronautical charts and publications. It is useful to new pilots as a learning aid, and to experienced pilots as a quick reference guide.

The FAA is the source for all data and information utilized in the publishing of aeronautical charts through authorized publishers for each stage of Visual Flight Rules (VFR) and Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) air navigation including training, planning, and departures, enroute (for low and high altitudes), approaches, and taxiing charts. Digital charts are available online at:

- VFR Charts https://www.faa.gov/air\_traffic/flight\_info/aeronav/digital\_products/vfr/
- IFR Charts https://www.faa.gov/air\_traffic/flight\_info/aeronav/digital\_products/ifr/
- Terminal Procedures Publication http://www.faa.gov/air\_traffic/flight\_info/aeronav/digital\_products/dtpp/
- · Chart Supplements https://www.faa.gov/air\_traffic/flight\_info/aeronav/digital\_products/dafd/

Paper copies of the charts are available through an FAA Approved Print Provider. A complete list of current providers is available at http://www.faa.gov/air\_traffic/flight\_info/aeronav/print\_providers/

The FAA Aeronautical Information Manual (AIM) Pilot/Controller Glossary defines in detail, all terms and abbreviations used throughout this publication. Unless otherwise indicated, miles are nautical miles (NM), altitudes indicate feet above Mean Sea Level (MSL), and times used are Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).

The Notices to Airmen Publication (NOTAM) includes current Flight Data Center (FDC) NOTAMs. NOTAMs alert pilots of new regulatory requirements and reflect changes to Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs), flight restrictions, and aeronautical chart revisions. This publication is prepared every 28 days by the FAA, and is available by subscription from the Government Printing Office. For more information on subscribing or to access online PDF copy, http://www.faa.gov/air\_traffic/publications/notices/

In addition to NOTAMs, the Chart Supplement and the Safety Alerts/Charting Notices page of the Aeronautical Information Services website are also useful to pilots

# **KEEP YOUR CHARTS CURRENT**

Aeronautical information changes rapidly, so it is important that pilots check the effective dates on each aeronautical chart and publication. To avoid danger, it is important to always use current editions and discard obsolete charts and publications.

To confirm that a chart or publication is current, refer to the next scheduled edition date printed on the cover. Pilots should also check Aeronautical Chart Bulletins and NOTAMs for important updates between chart and publication cycles that are essential for safe flight.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHART USER'S GUIDE AND UPDATES

All information in this guide is effective as of **26 March 2020**. All graphics used in this guide are for educational purposes. Chart symbology may not be to scale. Please do not use them for flight navigation.

The Chart User's Guide is updated as necessary when there is new chart symbology or changes in the depiction of information and/or symbols on the charts. When there are changes, it will be in accordance with the 56-day aeronautical chart product schedule.

# COLOR VARIATION

Although the digital files are compiled in accordance with charting specifications, the final product may vary slightly in appearance due to differences in printing techniques/processes and/or digital display techniques.

# **REPORTING CHART DISCREPANCIES**

Your experience as a pilot is valuable and your feedback is important. We make every effort to display accurate information on all FAA charts and publications, so we appreciate your input. Please notify us concerning any requests for changes, or potential discrepancies you see while using our charts and related products.

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# **EXPLANATION OF IFR ENROUTE TERMS**

FAA charts are prepared in accordance with specifications of the Interagency Air Committee (IAC), and are approved by representatives of the Federal Aviation Administration and the Department of Defense (DoD). Some information on these charts may only apply to military pilots.

The explanations of symbols used on Instrument Flight Rule (IFR) Enroute Charts and examples in this section are based primarily on the IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts. Other IFR products use similar symbols in various colors. The chart legends portray aeronautical symbols with a brief description of what each symbol depicts. This section provides more details of the symbols and how they are used on IFR Enroute charts.

# AIRPORTS

Active airports are shown on IFR Enroute Charts.

Low Charts:

- All IAP Airports are shown on the Low Altitude Charts (US and Alaska).
- Non-IAP Airports are shown on the U.S. Low Altitude Charts (Contiguous US) have a minimum hard surface runway of 3,000'.
- Non-IAP airports are shown on the U.S. Low Altitude Alaska Charts are show if the runway is 3000' or longer, hard or soft surface.
- Public heliports with an Instrument Approach Procedure (IAP) or requested by the FAA or DoD are depicted on the IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts.
- Seaplane bases requested by the FAA or DoD are depicted on the IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts.

On IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts, airport tabulation is provided which identifies airport names, IDs and the panels they are located on.

High Charts:

- Airports shown on the U.S. High Enroute Charts (Contiguous US) have a minimum hard surface runway of 5000'.
- Airports shown on the U.S. High Enroute Alaska Charts have a minimum hard surface runway of 4000'.

Charted airports are classified according to the following criteria:



**Blue** - Airports with an Instrument Approach Procedure and/or RADAR MINIMA published in the high altitude DoD Flight Information Publications (FLIPs)

**Green** - Airports which have an approved Instrument Approach Procedure and/or RADAR MINIMA published in either the U.S. Terminal Procedures Publications (TPPs) or the DoD FLIPs

Brown - Airports without a published Instrument Approach Procedure or RADAR MINIMA

Airports are plotted at their true geographic position.

Airports are identified by the airport name. In the case of military airports, Air Force Base (AFB), Naval Air Station (NAS), Naval Air Facility (NAF), Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS), Army Air Field (AAF), etc., the abbreviated letters appear as part of the airport name.

Airports marked "Pvt" immediately following the airport name are not for public use, but otherwise meet the criteria for charting as specified above.

Runway length is the length of the longest active runway (including displaced thresholds but excluding overruns) and is shown to the nearest 100 feet using 70 feet as the division point; e.g., a runway of 8,070' is labeled 81. The following runway compositions (materials) constitute a hard-surfaced runway: asphalt, bitumen, chip seal, concrete, and tar macadam. Runways that are not hard-surfaced have a small letter "s" following the runway length, indicating a soft surface.

AIRPORT DATA DEPICTION			
Low Altitude       Minimum Operational Network Airport Designator       MON CITY       Part-time or established by NOTAM. See Chart Supplement for times of operation.         Low Altitude       Airport Ident ICAO Location Indicator shown outside contiguous U.S. Airport Elevation       Airport Name (APT) (ICAO) D * 280 0* 43s       Part-time or established by NOTAM. See Chart Supplement for times of operation.         Low Altitude       Airport Ident ICAO Location Indicator shown outside contiguous U.S. Airport Elevation       Airport Plevation (A) *109.8       Part-time or established by NOTAM. See Chart Supplement for times of operation.         ATIS or AFIS (Alaska Only)       Part-time Frequency Lighting Capability:       ASOS/AWOS			
1. Airport elevation given in feet above or below mean sea level	6. Associated city names for public airports are shown above or		
<ol> <li>2. Pvt - Private use, not available to general public</li> <li>3. A solid line box enclosed the airport name indicates FAR 93 Special Requirements - see Directory/Supplement</li> </ol>	preceding the airport name. If airport name and city name are the same, only the airport name is shown. The airport identifier in parentheses follows the airport name. City names for military and private airports are not shown.		
4. "NO SVFR" above the airport name indicates FAR 91 fixed- wing special VFR flight is prohibited.	7. Airport Ident ICAO Location Indicator shown outside contiguous U.S.		
5. C or D following the airport identifier indicates Class C or Class D Airspace	8. AFIS Alaska only		
High Altitude - U.S. Minimum Operational Network Airport Designator CITY Associated City (APT) Airport Identifier	High Altitude - Alaska High Altitude - Alaska Airport Ident. ICAO Location Indicator shown outside contiguous U.S. Airport Name (APT) (ICAQ) Iongest contiguous U.S. Airport Name Longest contiguous U.S. Airport (ICAQ) Iongest Soft surface Part-time		
LIGHTING CAPABILITY			
Lighting Available	Part-time or on request		
Pilot Controlled Lighting	No lighting available At private facilities- indicates no lighting information is available		

- A L symbol between the airport elevation and runway length means that runway lights are in operation sunset to sunrise.
- A () symbol indicates there is Pilot Controlled Lighting. A  $\checkmark$  symbol means the lighting is part-time or on request, the pilot should consult the Chart Supplement for light operating procedures. The Aeronautical Information Manual (AIM) thoroughly explains the types and uses of airport lighting aids.

#### VOR Minimum Operational Network (MON) Airports Designator

MON Airports with the MON Airport designator at the top of the Airport Data Block. The MON designation is to alert pilots to those airports that have retained ILS and VOR instrument approach procedures for safe recovery in the event of a GPS outage. Refer to the Aeronautical Information Manual (AIM) for expanded MON Airport guidance.

# **RADIO AIDS TO NAVIGATION**

All IFR radio NAVAIDs that have been flight checked and are operational are shown on all IFR Enroute Charts. Very High Frequency/Ultrahigh Frequency (VHF/UHF) NAVAIDs, Very high frequency Omnidirectional Radio range (VORs), Tactical Air Navigation (TACANs) are shown in black, and Low Frequency/Medium Frequency (LF/MF) NAVAIDs, (Compass Locators and Aeronautical or Marine NDBs) are shown in brown.

On IFR Enroute Charts, information about NAVAIDs is boxed as illustrated below. To avoid duplication of data, when two or more NAVAIDs in a general area have the same name, the name is usually printed only once inside an identification box with the frequencies, TACAN channel numbers, identification letters, or Morse Code Identifications of the different NAVAIDs are shown in appropriate colors.

NAVAIDs in a shutdown status have the frequency and channel number crosshatched. Use of the NAVAID status "shutdown" is only used when a facility has been decommissioned but cannot be published as such because of pending airspace actions.

NAVIGATION AND COMMUNICATION BOXES - COMMON ELEMENTS			
LOW ENROUTE CHARTS	HIGH ENROUTE CHARTS		
RCO Frequencies       000.0         NAVAID Name       NAME         FREQ, Ident, CH, Morse Code       000.0 IDT 000 \u2006.00'         Latitude, Longitude       No0*00.00' W000*00.00'         Controlling FSS Name       NAME	RCO Frequencies000.0NAVAID NameNAMEFrequency, Ident, Channel, Latitude, Longitude000.0 IDT 000Noroo.ovNoroo.ovW000'00.00'NAME_		
COMMON ELEMENTS (HIGH AND LOW CHARTS)			
RCO FREQUENCY Single Frequency	122.6		
Multiple FrequenciesFrequencies transmit and receive except those followed by R andT:R - Receive OnlyT - Transmit Only	255.4 243.0 123.6 122.65 122.2 122.1R 121.5		
NAVAID BOX	VHF/UHF LF/MF		
Thin line NAVAID boxes without frequency(s) and FSS radio name indicates no FSS frequencies available.			
Shadow NAVAID box indicates NAVAID and Flight Service Sta- tion (FSS) have same name.			
FREQUENCY PROTECTION			
Frequency Protection usable range at 18,000' AGL - 40 NM	(L)		
Frequency Protection usable range at 12,000' AGL - 25 NM	(T)		
DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT			
Facilities that operate in the "Y" mode for DME reception	(Y)		
VOICE COMMUNICATIONS VIA NAVAID			
Voice Transmitted	112.6		
No Voice Transmitted	<u>111.0</u>		
NAVAID SHUTDOWN STATUS	VHF/UHF LF/MF		
PART TIME OR ON-REQUEST	VHF/UHF LF/MF ★ ★		

AUTOMATED WEATHER BROADCAST SERVICES ASOS/AWOS - Automated Surface Observing Station/Automated Weather Observing Station	d VHF/UHF LF/MF Automated weather, when available, is broadcast on the associ- ated NAVAID frequency.	
LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE	LOW ENROUTE HIGH ENROUTE	
Latitude and Longitude coordinates are provided for those NAVAIDs that make up part of a route/airway or a holding pattern. All TACAN facilities will include geographic coordinates.	N00°00.00' W000°00.00' N00°00.00' N00°00.00'	

# AIRSPACE INFORMATION

#### CONTROLLED AIRSPACE

Controlled airspace consists of those areas where some or all aircraft are subjected to air traffic control within the following airspace classifications of A, B, C, D, & E.

Air Route Traffic Control Centers (ARTCC) are established to provide Air Traffic Control to aircraft operating on IFR flight plans within controlled airspace, particularly during the enroute phase of flight. Boundaries of the ARTCCs are shown in their entirety using the symbol below.

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Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC)
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When Controller Pilot Data Link Communication (CPDLC) exists for an ARTCC, the text CPDLC (LOGON KUSA) will be shown parallel to the boundary above or below the ARTCC identification as shown below.



Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) with

The responsible ARTCC Center names are shown adjacent and parallel to the boundary line. ARTCC sector frequencies are shown in boxes outlined by the same symbol.

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 NEW YORK
 ARTCC Name
 ARTCC Name

 Barnegot
 Site Name
 Site Name

 132.15
 Frequency
 discrete VHF and UHF frequencies

Class A Airspace is depicted as open area (white) on the IFR Enroute High Altitude Charts. It consists of airspace from 18,000 Mean Sea Level (MSL) to FL600.

**Class B** Airspace is depicted as screened blue area with a solid line encompassing the area.

Class C Airspace is depicted as screened blue area with a dashed line encompassing the area with a following the airport name.

Class B and Class C Airspace consist of controlled airspace extending upward from the surface or a designated floor to specified altitudes, within which all aircraft and pilots are subject to the operating rules and requirements specified in the Federal Aviation Regulations (UHF) 71. Class B and C Airspace are shown in abbreviated forms on IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts. A general note adjacent to Class B airspace refers the user to the appropriate VFR Terminal Area Chart.

Class D Airspace (airports with an operating control tower) are depicted as open area (white) with a following the airport name.

Class E Airspace is depicted as open area (white) on the IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts. It consists of airspace below FL180.

#### **UNCONTROLLED AIRSPACE**

Class G Airspace within the United States extends to 14,500' MSL. This uncontrolled airspace is shown as screened brown.

#### SPECIAL USE AIRSPACE

Special Use Airspace (SUA) confines certain flight activities, restricts entry, or cautions other aircraft operating within specific boundaries. SUA areas are shown in their entirety, even when they overlap, adjoin, or when an area is designated within another area. SUA with altitudes from the surface and above are shown on the IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts. Similarly, SUA that extends above 18,000' MSL are shown on IFR Enroute High Altitude Charts. IFR Enroute Charts tabulations identify the type of SUA, ID, effective altitudes, times of use, controlling agency and the panel it is located on. Users need to be aware that a NOTAM addressing activation will NOT be issued to announce permanently listed times of use.





Line delimits internal separation of same Special Use Area

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High and Low	Low Altitude Only	Canada Only	Caribbean Only
P - Prohibited Area	MOA - Military Operations Area	CYA - Advisory	D - Danger
R - Restricted Area	A - Alert Area *	CYD - Danger Area	
W - Warning Area		CYR - Restricted Area	
* Alert Areas do not extend into Class A, B, C and D airspace, or Class E airport surface areas.			
See Airspace Tabulation on chart for complete information.			

#### **OTHER AIRSPACE**

FAR 91 Special Air Traffic Rules are shown with the type NO SVFR above the airport name.



FAR 93 Special Airspace Traffic Rules are shown with a solid line box around the airport name, indicating FAR 93 Special Requirements see Chart Supplement.



Mode C Required Airspace (from the surface to 10,000' MSL) within 30 NM radius of the primary airport(s) for which a Class B airspace is designated, is depicted on IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts as a blue circle labeled MODE C 30 NM.

MODE C	
30 NM	

Mode C is also required for operations within and above all Class C airspace up to 10,000' MSL, but not depicted. See FAR 91.215 and the AIM.

# **INSTRUMENT AIRWAYS**

The FAA has established two fixed route systems for air navigation. The VOR and LF/MF system-designated from 1,200' Above Ground Level (AGL) to but not including FL 180 is shown on IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts, and the Jet Route system designated from FL 180 to FL 450 inclusive is shown on IFR Enroute High Altitude Charts.

#### VOR LF/MF AIRWAY SYSTEM (IFR LOW ALTITUDE ENROUTE CHARTS)

In this system VOR airways - airways based on VOR or VORTAC NAVAIDs - are depicted in black and identified by a "V" (Victor) followed by the route number (e.g., "V12").

LF/MF airways - airways based on LF/MF NAVAIDs - are sometimes called "colored airways" because they are identified by color name and number (e.g., "Amber One", charted as "A1"). In Alaska Green and Red airways are plotted east and west, and Amber and Blue airways are plotted north and south. Regardless of their color identifier, LF/MF airways are shown in brown.

#### AIRWAY/ROUTE DATA

On both series of IFR Enroute Charts, airway/route data such as the airway identifications, magnetic courses bearings or radials, mileages, and altitudes (e.g., Minimum Enroute Altitudes (MEAs), Minimum Reception Altitudes (MRAs), Maximum Authorized Altitudes (MAAs), Minimum Obstacle Clearance Altitudes (MOCAs), Minimum Turning Altitudes (MTAs) and Minimum Crossing Altitudes (MCAs)) are shown aligned with the airway.

As a rule the airway/route data is charted and in the same color as the airway, with one exception. Charted in blue, Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) MEAs, identified with a "G" suffix, have been added to "V" and "colored airways" for aircraft flying those airways using Global Positioning System (GPS) navigation.

Airways/Routes predicated on VOR or VORTAC NAVAIDs are defined by the outbound radial from the NAVAID. Airways/ Routes predicated on LF/MF NAVAIDs are defined by the inbound bearing.

- **Minimum Enroute Altitude (MEA)** The MEA is the lowest published altitude between radio fixes that assures acceptable navigational signal coverage and meets obstacle clearance requirements between those fixes. The MEA prescribed for a Federal airway or segment, RNAV low or high route, or other direct route applies to the entire width of the airway, segment, or route between the radio fixes defining the airway, segment, or route. MEAs for routes wholly contained within controlled airspace normally provide a buffer above the floor of controlled airspace consisting of at least 300 feet within transition areas and 500 feet within control areas. MEAs are established based upon obstacle clearance over terrain and man-made objects, adequacy of navigation facility performance, and communications requirements.
- **Minimum Reception Altitude (MRA)** MRAs are determined by FAA flight inspection traversing an entire route of flight to establish the minimum altitude the navigation signal can be received for the route and for off-course NAVAID facilities that determine a fix. When the MRA at the fix is higher than the MEA, an MRA is established for the fix and is the lowest altitude at which an intersection can be determined.
- **Maximum Authorized Altitude (MAA)** An MAA is a published altitude representing the maximum usable altitude or flight level for an airspace structure or route segment. It is the highest altitude on a Federal airway, jet route, RNAV low or high route, or other direct route for which an MEA is designated at which adequate reception of navigation signals is assured.
- **Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude (MOCA)** The MOCA is the lowest published altitude in effect between fixes on VOR airways, off-airway routes, or route segments that meets obstacle clearance requirements for a VOR. The MOCA seen on the enroute chart may have been computed by adding the required obstacle clearance (ROC) to the controlling obstacle in the primary area or computed by using a TERPS chart if the controlling obstacle is located in the secondary area. This figure is then rounded to the nearest 100 foot increment (i.e., 2,049 feet becomes 2,000, and 2,050 feet becomes 2,100 feet). An extra 1,000 feet is added in mountainous areas, in most cases.

- Minimum Turning Altitude (MTA) Minimum turning altitude (MTA) is a charted altitude providing vertical and lateral obstruction clearance based on turn criteria over certain fixes, NAVAIDs, waypoints, and on charted route segments. When a VHF airway or route terminates at a NAVAID or fix, the primary area extends beyond that termination point. When a change of course on VHF airways and routes is necessary, the enroute obstacle clearance turning area extends the primary and secondary obstacle clearance areas to accommodate the turn radius of the aircraft. Since turns at or after fix passage may exceed airway and route boundaries, pilots are expected to adhere to airway and route protected airspace by leading turns early before a fix. The turn area provides obstacle clearance for both turn anticipation (turning prior to the fix) and flyover protection (turning after crossing the fix). Turning fixes requiring a higher MTA are charted with a flag along with accompanying text describing the MTA restriction.
- Minimum Crossing Altitude (MCA) An MCA is the lowest altitude at certain fixes at which the aircraft must cross when proceeding in the direction of a higher minimum enroute IFR altitude. MCAs are established in all cases where obstacles intervene to prevent pilots from maintaining obstacle clearance during a normal climb to a higher MEA after passing a point beyond which the higher MEA applies. The same protected enroute area vertical obstacle clearance requirements for the primary and secondary areas are considered in the determination of the MCA.

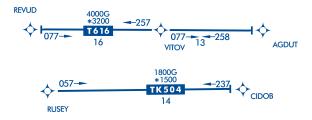


Victor Route (with RNAV/GPS MEA shown in blue)

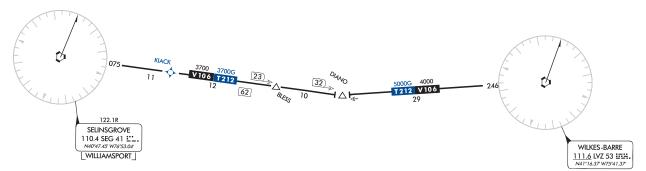
#### AREA NAVIGATION (RNAV) "T" ROUTE SYSTEM

The FAA has created new low altitude area navigation (RNAV) "T" routes for the enroute and terminal environments. The RNAV routes will provide more direct routing for IFR aircraft and enhance the safety and efficiency of the National Air-space System. To utilize these routes aircraft are required to be equipped with IFR approved GNSS. In Alaska, TSO-145a and 146a equipment is required.

Low altitude RNAV only routes are identified by the prefix "T", and the prefix "TK" for RNAV helicopter routes followed by a three digit number (T-200 to T-500). Routes are depicted in blue on the IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts. RNAV route data (route line, identification boxes, mileages, waypoints, waypoint names, magnetic reference courses and MEAs) will also be printed in blue. Magnetic reference courses will be shown originating from a waypoint, fix/reporting point or NAVAID. GNSS MEA for each segment is established to ensure obstacle clearance and communications reception. GNSS MEAs are identified with a "G" suffix.

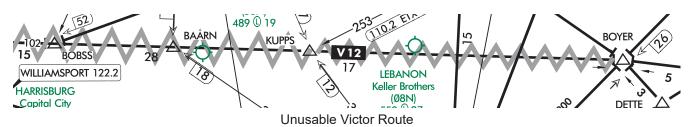


Joint Victor/RNAV routes are charted as outlined above except as noted. The joint Victor route and the RNAV route identification boxes are shown adjacent to each other. Magnetic reference courses are not shown. MEAs are charted above the appropriate identification box or stacked in pairs, GNSS and Victor. On joint routes, RNAV specific information will be printed in blue.



#### UNUSABLE AIRWAY/ROUTE SEGMENTS

Airway/Route segments designated by the FAA as unusable will be depicted as shown below.



Pilots should not file a flight plan for or accept a clearance that includes navigation on any route or route segment depicted as unusable. Pilots using RNAV may request ATC clearance to fly point-to-point between valid waypoints or fixes, even those on routes depicted as unusable (refer to AC 90-108 for RNAV eligibility).

#### **Coincident Airways/Routes with Unusable Segment**

When two airways/routes are coincident, but only one airway/route is designated as unusable, the following note indicating which airway the unusable symbology applies to will be placed in close proximity to the airway/route identifiers.



#### OFF ROUTE OBSTRUCTION CLEARANCE ALTITUDE (OROCA)

The Off Route Obstruction Clearance Altitude (OROCA) is depicted on IFR Enroute Low Altitude and Pacific charts and is represented in thousands and hundreds of feet above MSL. OROCAs are shown in every 30 x 30 minute quadrant on Area Charts, every one degree by one degree quadrant for IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts - U.S. and every two degree by two degree quadrant on IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts - Alaska. The OROCA represents the highest possible obstruction elevation including both terrain and other vertical obstruction data (towers, trees, etc.) bounded by the ticked lines of latitude/longitude including data 4 NM outside the quadrant. In this example the OROCA represents 12,500 feet.

OROCA is computed just as the Maximum Elevation Figure (MEF) found on Visual Flight Rule (VFR) Charts except that it provides an additional vertical buffer of 1,000 feet in designated non-mountainous areas and a 2,000 foot vertical buffer in designated mountainous areas within the United States. For areas in Mexico and the Caribbean, located outside the U.S. Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ), the OROCA provides obstruction clearance with a 3,000 foot vertical buffer. Evaluating the area around the quadrant provides the chart user the same lateral clearance an airway provides should the line of intended flight follow a ticked line of latitude or longitude. OROCA does not provide for NAVAID signal coverage, communication coverage and would not be consistent with altitudes assigned by Air Traffic Control. OROCAs can be found over all land masses and open water areas containing man-made obstructions (such as oil rigs).

#### **MILITARY TRAINING ROUTES (MTRs)**

Military Training Routes (MTRs) are routes established for the conduct of low-altitude, high-speed military flight training (generally below 10,000 feet MSL at airspeeds in excess of 250 knots Indicated Air Speed). These routes are depicted in brown on IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts, and are not shown on inset charts or on IFR Enroute High Altitude Charts. IFR Enroute Low Altitude Charts depict all IFR Military Training Routes (IRs) and VFR Military Training Routes (VRs), except those VRs that are entirely at or below 1,500 feet AGL.

MTRs are identified by designators (IR-107, VR-134) which are shown in brown on the route centerline. Arrows are shown to indicate the direction of flight along the route. The width of the route determines the width of the line that is plotted on the chart:

Route segments with a width of 5 NM or less, both sides of the centerline, are shown by a .02" line.

IR 000 →

Route segments with a width greater than 5 NM, either or both sides of the centerline, are shown by a .035" line.

VR 000 →

MTRs for particular chart pairs (ex. L1/2, etc.) are alphabetically, then numerically tabulated. The tabulation includes MTR type and unique identification and altitude range.

#### JET ROUTE SYSTEM (HIGH ALTITUDE ENROUTE CHARTS)

Jet routes are based on VOR or VORTAC NAVAIDs, and are depicted in black with a "J" identifier followed by the route number (e.g., "J12"). In Alaska, Russia and Canada some segments of jet routes are based on LF/MF NAVAIDs.

#### AREA NAVIGATION (RNAV) "Q" ROUTE SYSTEM (IFR ENROUTE HIGH ALTITUDE CHARTS)

The FAA has adopted certain amendments to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations which paved the way for the development of new area high altitude navigation (RNAV) "Q" routes in the U.S. National Airspace System (NAS). These amendments enable the FAA to take advantage of technological advancements in navigation systems such as the GPS. RNAV "Q" Route MEAs are shown when other than FL 180 MEAs for DME/DME/Inertial Reference Unit (IRU) RNAV aircraft have a "D" suffix.



RNAV routes and associated data are charted in blue."Q" Routes on the IFR Gulf of Mexico charts are shown in black. Magnetic reference courses are shown originating from a waypoint, fix/reporting point, or NAVAID.

Joint Jet/RNAV route identification boxes will be located adjacent to each other with the route charted in black. With the exception of Q-Routes in the Gulf of Mexico, GNSS or DME/DME/IRU RNAV are required, unless otherwise indicated. DME/DME/IRU RNAV aircraft should refer to the Chart Supplement for DME information. Q-Routes in Alaska are GNSS Only. Altitude values are stacked highest to lowest.



#### Joint Jet/RNAV Route

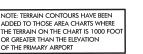
## **TERRAIN CONTOURS ON AREA CHARTS**

Based on a recommendation of the National Transportation Safety Board, terrain contours have been added to the Enroute Area Charts and are intended to increase pilots' situational awareness for safe flight over changes in terrain. The following Area Charts portray terrain: Anchorage, Denver, Fairbanks, Juneau, Los Angeles, Nome, Phoenix, San Francisco, Vancouver and Washington.

When terrain rises at least a 1,000 feet above the primary airports' elevation, terrain is charted using shades of brown with brown contour lines and values. The initial contour will be 1,000 or 2,000 feet above the airports' elevation. Subsequent intervals will be 2,000 or 3,000 foot increments.

Contours are supplemented with a representative number of spots elevations and are shown in solid black. The highest elevation on an Area Chart is shown with a larger spot and text.

The following boxed note is added to the affected Area Charts.



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# IFR ENROUTE LOW / HIGH ALTITUDE SYMBOLS (U.S., PACIFIC AND ALASKA CHARTS)

## AIRPORTS

Airport Data - Low/High Alti	tude		
Civil	Charts: High/Low	Seaplane - Civil	Charts: Low
Civil And Military	Charts: High/Low 	Heliport	Charts: Low
Military	Charts: High/Low	Emergency Use Only	Pacific Only

Facilities in BLUE or GREEN have an approved Instrument Approach Procedure and/or RADAR MINIMA published in either the FAA Terminal Procedures Publication or the DoD FLIPs. Those in BLUE have an Instrument Approach Procedure and/or RADAR MINIMA published at least in the High Altitude DoD FLIPs. Facilities in BROWN do not have a published Instrument Procedure or RADAR MINIMA MINIMA.

All IAP Airports are shown on the Low Altitude Charts.

Non-IAP Airports shown on the U.S. Low Altitude Charts have a minimum hard surface runway of 3000'.

Airports shown on the U.S. High Altitude Charts have a minimum hard surface runway of 5000'.

Airports shown on the Alask High Altitude Charts have a minimum hard or soft surface runway of 4000'.

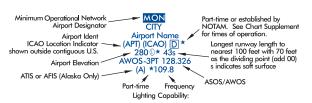
Associated city names for public airports are shown above or preceding the airport name and city name are the same only the airport name is shown. City names for military and private airports are not shown.

The airport identifier in parentheses follows the airport name or Pvt.

Pvt - Private Use

#### **AIRPORT DATA DEPICTION**

Low Altitude



1. Airport elevation given in feet above or below mean sea level

2. Pvt - Private use, not available to general public

3. A solid line box enclosed the airport name indicates FAR 93 Special Requirements - see Directory/Supplement

4. "NO SVFR" above the airport name indicates FAR 91 fixedwing special VFR flight is prohibited.

5.  $\fbox$  or  $\boxdot$  following the airport identifier indicates Class C or Class D Airspace

High Altitude - U.S.

Minimum Operational Network Airport Designator CITY Airport Name (APT) Airport Identifier 6. Associated city names for public airports are shown above or preceding the airport name. If airport name and city name are the same, only the airport name is shown. The airport identifier in parentheses follows the airport name. City names for military and private airports are not shown.

7. Airport Ident ICAO Location Indicator shown outside contiguous U.S.

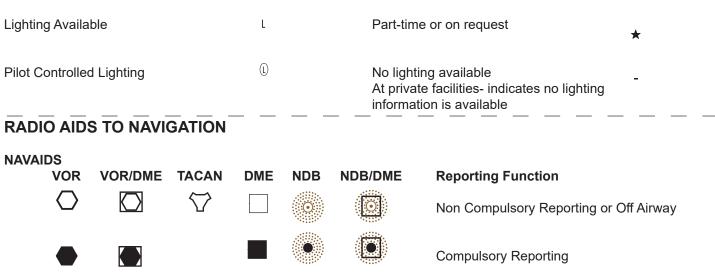
8. AFIS Alaska only

High Altitude - Alaska



# **Airports (Continued)**

# LIGHTING CAPABILITY



Note: VHF/UHF is depicted in Black. LF/MF is depicted in Brown. RNAV is depicted in Blue

#### **Compass Roses**

#### VHF/UHF



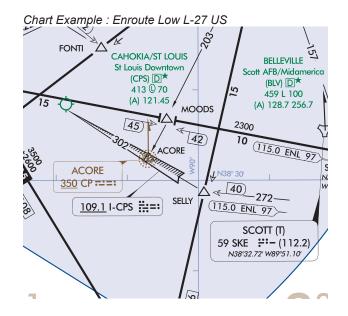
#### LF/MF

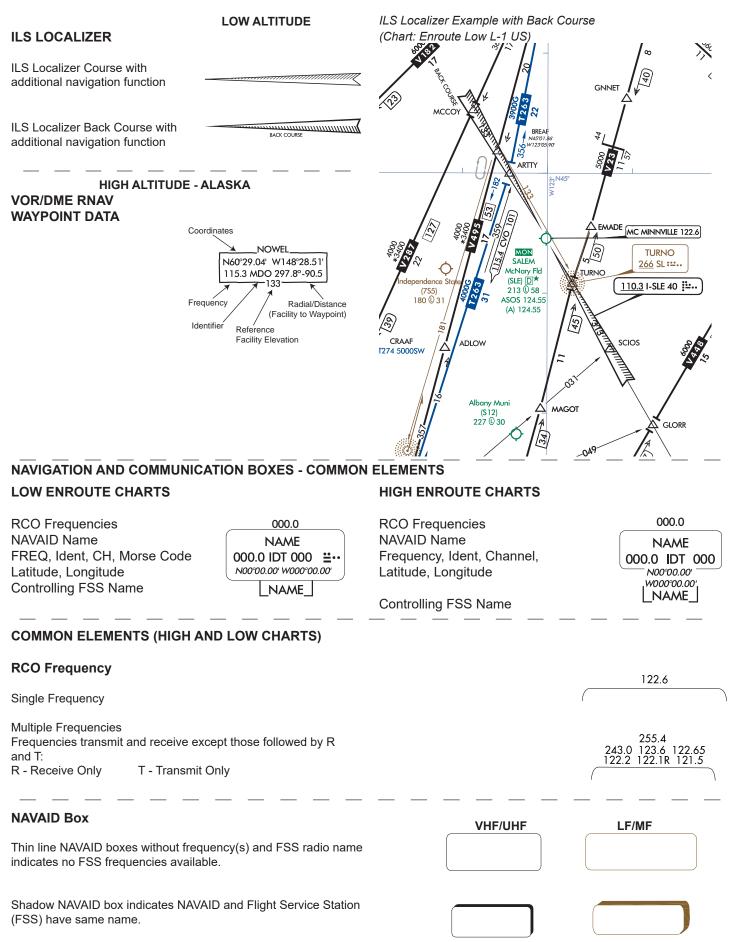


Compass Roses are orientated to Magnetic North of the NAVAID which may not be adjusted to the charted isogonic values.

Compass Locator Beacon







FAA Chart User's Guide - IFR Enroute Symbology

# Navigation and Communication Boxes - Common Elements

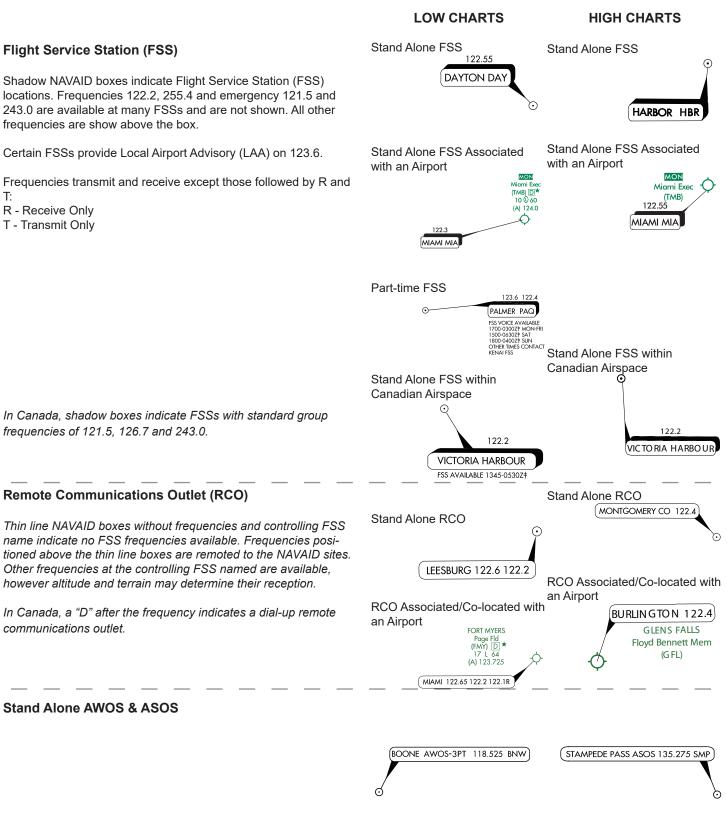
Frequency Protection		N N
Frequency Protection usable range at 18,000' AGL - 40 NM	(L	)
Frequency Protection usable range at 12,000' AGL - 25 NM	(T 	)
DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT		
Facilities that operate in the "Y" mode for DME reception	(Y	) 
VOICE COMMUNICATIONS VIA NAVAID		
Voice Transmitted	11	2.6
No Voice Transmitted	11	1.0
PART TIME OR ON-REQUEST		 LF/MF ★
AUTOMATED WEATHER BROADCAST SERVICES		
ASOS/AWOS - Automated Surface Observing Station/Automated Weather Observing Station	VHF/UHF	LF/MF
LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE Latitude and Longitude coordinates are provided for those NAVAIDs that make up part of a route/airway or a holding pattern. All TACAN facilities will include geographic coordinates.	LOW ENROUTE	HIGH ENROUTE
Navigation and Communication Boxes - Examples		
LOW ENROUTE CHARTS	HIGH	ENROUTE CHARTS
VOR R - Receive only 122.1R Controlling FSS Name - ANDERSON	VOR	CECIL 117.9 VQQ N30'12.78 W81'53.45
(T) - Service Volume		
Receive & Transmit on 122.35       122.35         (T) - Service Volume       IFF MYERS (T)         Latitude and Longitude       112.5 IFM II=-         Controlling FSS Name - MACON      MACON		

#### Navigation And Communication Boxes - Examples (Continued) LOW ENROUTE CHARTS

#### **VOR/DME** VOR/DME SAWMILL 113.75 SWB 84(Y) ...... Off Route (Greyed NAVAID Box No Voice Communications ITHACA 111.8 ITH (L) 55 and NAVAID) (Y) Mode DME 122.1R Service Volume - L R - Receive only 122.1R ROCKDALE ELMIRA 109.65 ULW (L) 33(Y) 112.6 RKA 73 HE-DME in Y Mode Controlling FSS Name - BUFFALO -N42°05.65-W77°01.49' BUFFALO 119.1 Shadow NAVAID Box 119.1 Shadow NAVAID Box MIRABEL MIRAREI FSS Associated with NAVAID FSS Associated with NAVAID 116.7 YMX 114 116.7 YMX 114 ===== N45°53.30' W74°22.54' W74°22.54 **TACAN TACAN** SANTA ROSA TYNDALL 63 NGS ∷+• (133.6) N30'36.91' W86'56.24' Off Route TACAN Channels are without 64 PAM (133.7) N30°04.44+ W85°34.34' voice but not underlined PENSACOLA ★119 NPA ☶--(117.2) N30'21.48' W87'18.99' Off Route - Part Time NAVAID (Greyed NAVAID Box and NAVAID) Part Time NAVAID PENSACOLA 119 NPA (L) (117.2) N30°21.48 W87°18.99' Service Volume - L VORTAC VORTAC 255.4 243.0 122.55 121.5 ALEXANDRIA 122.55 116.1 AEX 108 .... ALEXANDRIA DE RIDDER <u>116.1</u> AEX 108 N31°15.40 W92°30.06 \_DE RIDDER\_ BRUNSWICK (3)352.41' W69'55.31' Shutdown status Off Route (Greyed NAVAID Box and NAVAID) 114.3 HLL (L) 90 Service Volume - L DME DME MOULTRIE DUNKIRK DME Channel, Ident, Morse Code, DME Channel, Ident, 25 MGR == (108.8) 109 DKK (116.2) **VHF** Frequency VHF Frequency NDB NDB A - ASOS/AWOS Available SILVER BAY FORT DAVIS 350 BFW .... 529 FDV 29 68 W165°18.91' Shutdown status SHEMYA 180% SYA ₩-43.32' E17 NDB/DME NDB/DME 122.3 No Voice Communications No Voice Communications CAPE LISBURNE 385 LUR 20(Y) (108.35) CAPE NEWENHAM (Y) Mode DME (Y) Mode DME 385 EHM 18(Y) (108.15) \_KOTZEBUE\_ - N58°39.36' -W162°04.42' 123.6 ILIAMNA 411 ILI 91 (114.4) :--Shadow NAVAID Box Shadow NAVAID Box ILIAMNA 411 ILI 91 (114.4) FSS Associated with NAVAID FSS Associated with NAVAID Notes: Notes: Morse Code is not shown on High NAVAID Boxes.

**HIGH ENROUTE CHARTS** 

#### Stand Alone Flight Services and Communication Outlets



#### **AIRSPACE INFORMATION**

## Airway/Route Types Low and High Enroute Airway Data:

Low Enroute Charts	High Enroute Charts	
Victor Airways	Jet Routes	000
LF/MF Airway	Atlantic Routes	ARO ARO
Uncontrolled LF/MF Airway A0	Bahama Routes	
Парада и пореда и поре RNAV T Route Пореда и	RNAV Q Routes	Q00
GNSS Required	Alaska Q Routes require GNSS an CONUS, GNSS or DME/DME/IRU	
RNAV TK Helicopter Route	wise indicated. DME/DME/IRU air Refer to Chart Supplement for DM	craft require radar surveillance.
GNSS Required		
Preferred Single Direction	Preferred Single Direction Jet Routes	
	Preferred Single Direction RNAV Q Routes	QO
	Single Direction ATS Route	ROOO
Unusable Route Segment	Unusable Route Segment	
Direction of Flight Indicator Canadian	By-Pass Route	
Routes Only	Jet Route Centerline by-passing a	facility which is not part of that
Military Training Routes (MTR)	specific route.	
MTRs 5NM or less both sidesIR-000 $\rightarrow$ of centerline $\sqrt{R-000} \rightarrow$		
MTRs greater than 5NM either or both sides of centerline → VR 000 → VR 000 →		
Arrow indicates direction of route		
See MTR tabulation for altitude range information		
All IR and VR MTRs are shown except those VRs at or bleow 1500' AGL		
CAUTION: Inset charts do not depict MTRs		
Low and High Enroute Charts		
ATS Route A0 A0	Substitute Route	-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-
Oceanic Route - A00 - A00 -	All relative and supporting data shown in brown.	See NOTAMs or appropriate publication for specific

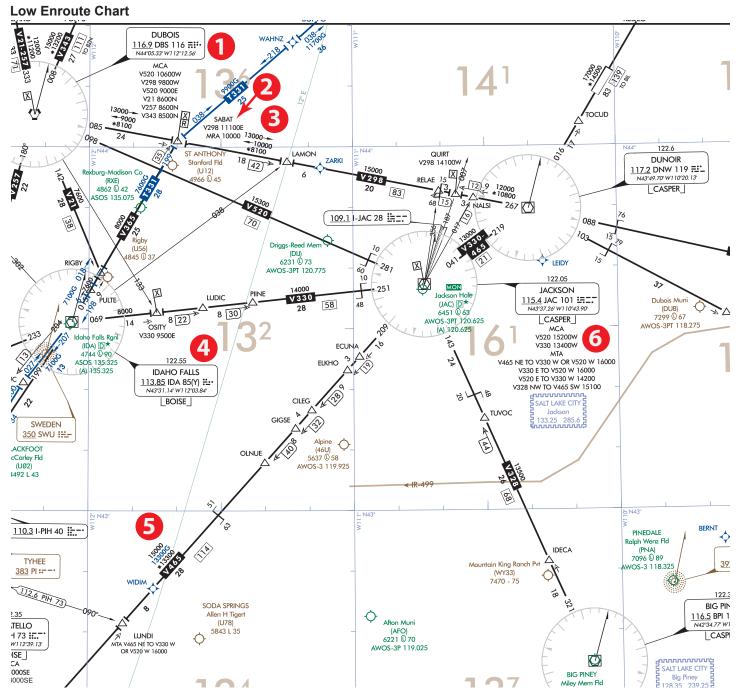
VHF/UHF Data is depicted in Black. LF/MF Data is depicted in Brown. RNAV Route data is depicted in Blue

information.

FIXE VHF/UHF	LF/MF	REPORTING FUNCTION Compulsory Position Reporting	WAYPOINTS RNAV
	$\triangle$	Non-Compulsory Position Reporting	
N25°46.47' W76°16.28'	N29°36.00' W88°01.00'	<b>Fix or Waypoint Coordinates</b> Fix Coordinates are shown for compulsory, offshore and holding fixes.	N44°25.36' W64°11.00'
		Waypoints Coordinates are shown when waypoint is not part of a RNAV route and when located on or beyond the boundary of the U.S. Continental Control (12 mile limit).	
		Off-set arrows indicate facility forming a fix - Arrow points away from the VHF/UHF NAVAID - Arrow points towards the LF/MF NAVAID	
		Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) Fix Denotes DME fix (distance same as airway / route mileage)	N/A
	IHF	Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) Fix	RNAV
15)	->>	Denotes DME fix (encircled mileage shown when not other- wise obvious)	N/A
		Example:	N/A
$\square \xrightarrow{5} \rightarrow \triangle \xrightarrow{10}$	0 15) ▶ △	First segment, 5NM; second segment 10NM; total milage provided in encircled DME arrow.	N/A
VHF/UHF	LF/MF		RNAV
229	149	Total Mileages between Compulsory Reporting Points or NAVAIDs	N/A
		Note: All mileages are in Nautical Miles	
54	125	MILEAGE BETWEEN OTHER FIXES, NAVAIDS AND/OR MILEAGE BREAKDOWN	125
	X (MSABI)	Mileage Breakdown or Computer Navigation Fix (CNF) Five letter identifier in parentheses indicates CNF with no ATC function	N/A
<pre></pre>	000 ID	FACILITY LOCATOR BOATS	N/A
(1000) IDT 1000)		Crosshatch indicates Shutdown status of NAVAID	
	·	RADIAL OUTBOUND FROM A VHF/UHF NAVAID	N/A
	N/A	All Radials are magnetic.	
		BEARING INBOUND TO AN LF/MF NAVAID	N/A
N/A		All Bearings are magnetic.	
N/A	N/A	<b>MAGNETIC REFERENCE BEARING</b> , outbound from a NAVAID or Fix Note: Not shown on joint Victor/RNAV or Jet/RNAV Routes.	000

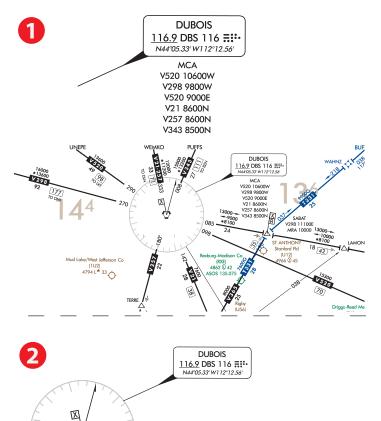
Airspace Inform	mation (Continu	ed)	
LOW CHART		MINIMUM ENROUTE ALTITUDE (MEA)	RNAV LOW CHARTS
		All Altitudes Are MSL Unless Otherwise Noted.	00000
0000	0000		0000G
13000 - <b>→</b> 10000 △	A	Directional MEAs	
HIGH CHART			HIGH CHARTS
		MEAs are shown on IFR High Altitude Charts when MEA is	
MEA-29000	MEA-FL240	other than 18,000'.	MEA for GNSS RNAV aircraft
			MEA-24000G
			MEA for DME/DME/IRU
			RNAV aircraft
			MEA-24000D
	CHARTS	MINIMUM ENROUTE ALTITUDE (MEA) GAP	N/A
15000 13300G *13300	51	MEA is established when there is a gap in navigation signal	
<b>────────────────</b> ────────────────────	1EA GAP	coverage.	
	63		
	CHARTS		
	MEA-24000		
108	91 279		
LOW / HIGH	LOW / HIGH	Maximum Authorized Altitude (MAA)	LOW / HIGH
CHARTS	CHARTS	All Altitudes Are MSL Unless Otherwise Noted.	CHARTS
MAA-00000	MAA-00000	MAAs are shown on IFR High Altitude Charts when MAA is other than 45,000'.	MAA-00000
LOW CHARTS	LOW CHARTS	Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude (MOCA)	LOW CHARTS
*0000	*0000	All Altitudes Are MSL Unless Otherwise Noted.	*0000
LOW CHARTS	LOW CHARTS	Minimum Turning Altitude (MTA) and Minimum	LOW CHARTS
X	[¥]	Crossing Altitude (MCA)	X
		See Low Enroute Chart Example below for examples of both MTAs and MCAs.	/~
R	R	MINIMUM RECEPTION ALTITUDE (MRA)	N/A
		ALTITUDE CHANGE MEA, MOCA and/or MAA change at other than NAVAIDs	$\dashv$ $\vdash$
<u> </u>		·	
LOW / HIGH CHARTS	LOW / HIGH CHARTS	CHANGEOVER POINT	N/A
00	00	Changeover Point giving mileage to NAVAIDs (Not shown	
		at midpoint locations.)	$\vdash$ $   -$
	11005	HOLDING PATTERNS	
RADDY N47°04.47' W121°30.97'	LARGE N39°17.12' W69°18.07'	RNAV Holding Pattern Magnetic Reference Bearing is de- termined by the isogonic value at the waypoint or fix.	
		Holding Pattern with maximum restriction airspeed 210K	·
(	210K)	applies to altitudes 6000' to and including 14000'. 175K ap-	
		plied to all altitudes. Airspeed depicted is Indicated Airspeed (IAS)	
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**Enroute Chart Examples** 



#### Enroute Chart Examples Low Enroute Chart (Continued)

#### **Reference Number**



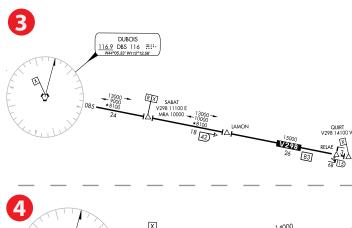
#### Description

#### Multiple MCAs at a NAVAID

V21 and V257 - MCA at DBS of 8600' traveling North V298 - MCA at DBS of 9800' traveling West V343 - MCA at DBS of 8500' traveling North V520 - MCA at DBS of 9000' traveling East V520 - MCA at DBS of 10600' traveling West

#### MCA and MRA at a Fix

MCA at SABAT on V298 of 11,100 traveling East. MRA at SABAT of 10000.



1300

\*8100

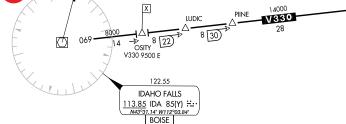
SABAT V298 11100E

MRA 10000 13000

\*8100

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# Example of MOCA and directional MEAs along a Victor Route

Traveling East from DBS, MEA 13,000' the first two segments, 15,000 along third segment.

Traveling West from QUIRT, MEA of 15,000' the first segment, MEA of 10,000 the second segment and MEA of 9,000 the third segment.

MOCA for DBS to SABAT and SABAT to LAMON segments of 8100

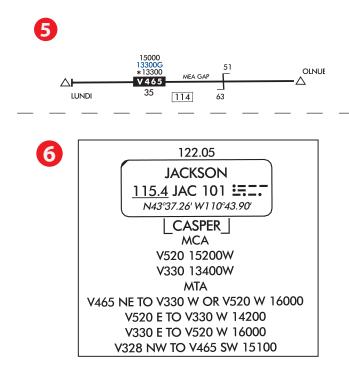
#### MCA Example

MCA at OSITY on V330. MCA of 9500' traveling East on V330 from Idaho Falls (IDA) VOR-DME.

#### **Enroute Chart Examples**

#### Low Enroute Chart (Continued)

#### **Reference Number**



#### Description

#### MEA VHF and RNAV Example

MEA for aircraft utilizing VHF NAVAID of 15000' MEA for aircraft utilizing RNAV of 13300'

MOCA of 13300'

#### MCA and MTA Example at a NAVAID

MCA for aircraft traveling West along V520 to cross JAC at 15200' MCA for aircraft traveling West along V330 to cross JAC at 13400'

MTA for aircraft crossing over and turning at JAC:

Aircraft traveling NE on V465 and turning to V330 on a W heading or turning to V520 on a W heading must turn at altitude of 16000' or higher

Aircraft traveling E on V520 and turning to V330 on a W heading must turn at altitude of 14200'

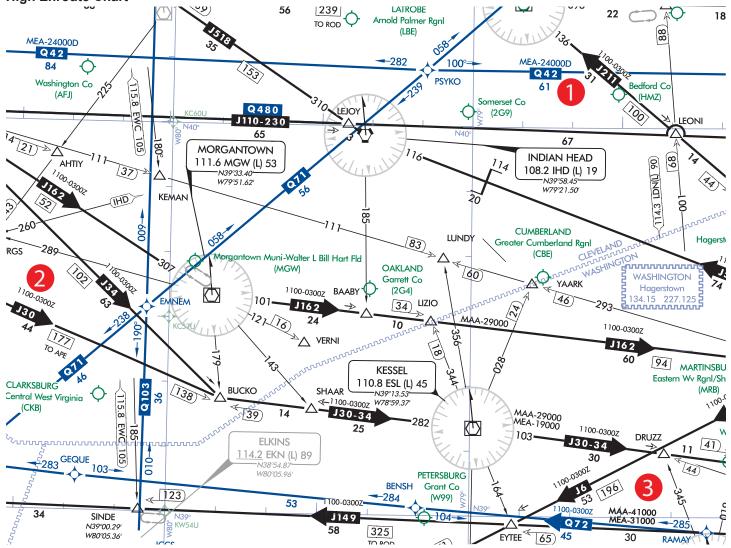
Aircraft traveling E on V330 and turning to V520 on a W heading must turn at altitude of 16000' or higher

Aircraft traveling NW on V328 and turning to V465 on a SW heading must turn at altitude of 15100' or higher.

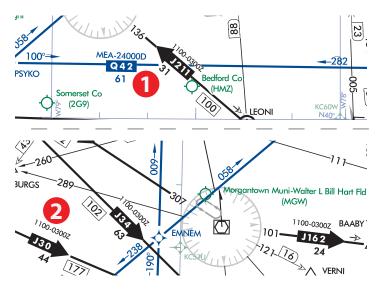
# **Airspace Information (Continued)**

# **Enroute Chart Examples**

High Enroute Chart



## **Reference Number**



## Description

High RNAV Route with MEA for DME/DME/IRU RNAV Aircraft

MEA of 24,000'

# **Directional Jet Route with Time Restrictions**

Jet Route 34 available between 1100 - 0300Z

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#### Enroute Chart Examples High Enroute Chart (Continued)

#### **Reference Number**

PETERSBURG

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BENSH

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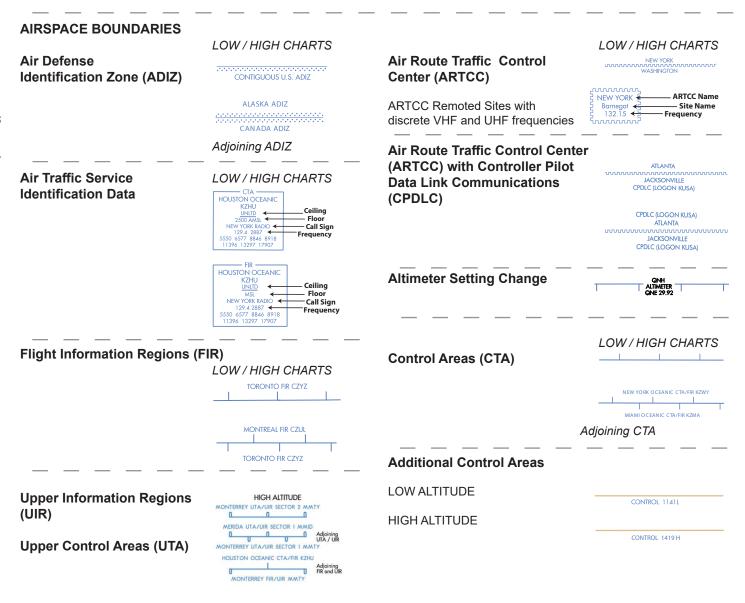
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# Directional Jet Route with Time Restrictions, MAA and MEA

Jet Route 149 available between 1100 - 0300Z MAA - 41,000' MEA - 31,000'



#### Airspace - U.S.

Class A Open Area (White)

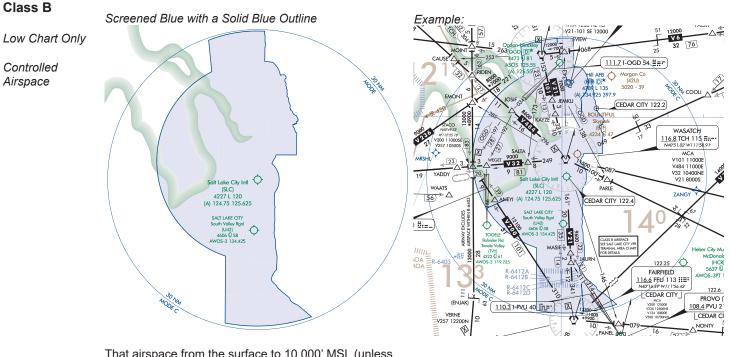
High Chart Only

Controlled

Airspace

That airspace from 18,000' MSL to and including FL 600, including the airspace overflying the waters within 12 NM of the coast of the contiguous United States and Alaska and designated offshore areas, excluding Santa Barbara Island, Farallon Island, the airspace south of latitude 25° 04'00" N, the Alaska peninsula west of longitude 160°00'00" W, and the airspace less than 1,500' AGL.

That airspace from 18,000' MSL to and including FL 450, including Santa Barbara Island, Farallon Island, the Alaska peninsula west of longitude 160°00'00" W, and designated offshore areas.

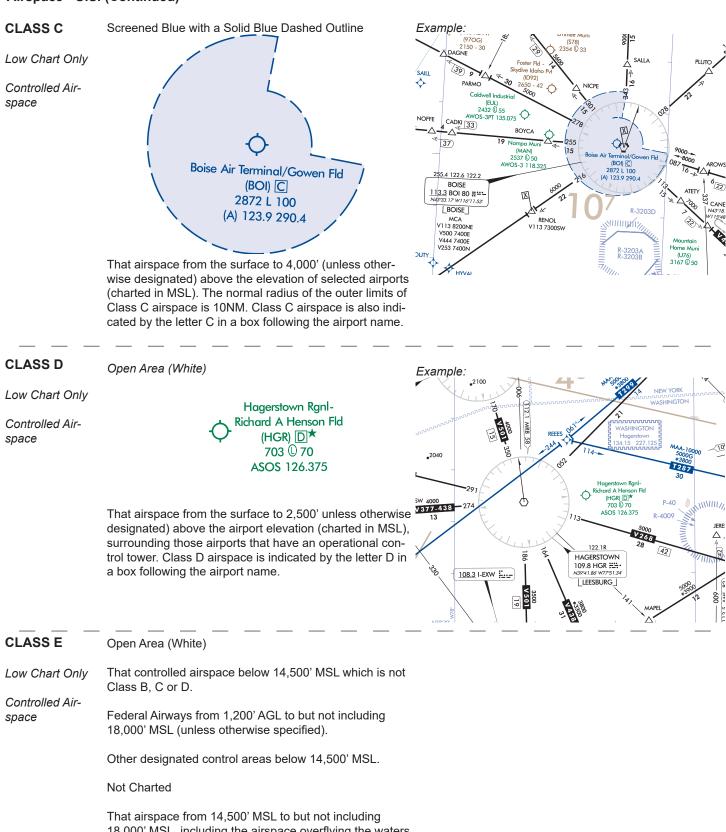


That airspace from the surface to 10,000' MSL (unless otherwise designated) surrounding the nation's busiest airports. Each Class B airspace area is individually tailored and consists of a surface area and two or more layers.

#### Mode C Area A Solid Blue Outline

Low Chart Only	That airspace within 30 NM of the primary airports of	Example:
Controlled Airspace	Class B airspace and within 10 NM of designated airports. Mode-C transponder equipment is required. (See FAR 91.215)	See Chart example above.

#### Airspace - U.S. (Continued)



18,000' MSL, including the airspace overflying the waters within 12 NM of the coast of the contiguous United States and Alaska and designated offshore areas, excluding the Alaska peninsula west of longitude 160°00'00" W, and the airspace less than 1,500' AGL.

# **Airspace Information (Continued)**

#### AIRSPACE - U.S.

#### **CLASS G**

Screened Brown Area

High and Low Chart

Uncontrolled Airspace

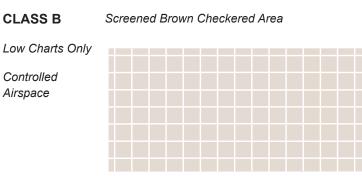
Low Altitude

That portion of the airspace below 14,500' MSL that has not been designated as Class B, C, D or E Airspace.

High Altitude

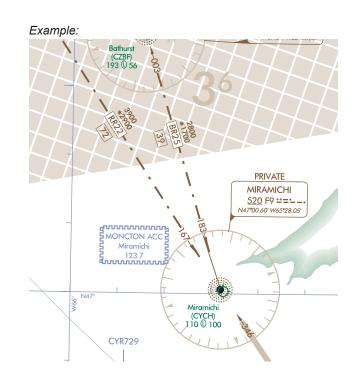
That portion of the airspace from 18,000' MSL and above that has not been designated as Class A airspace.

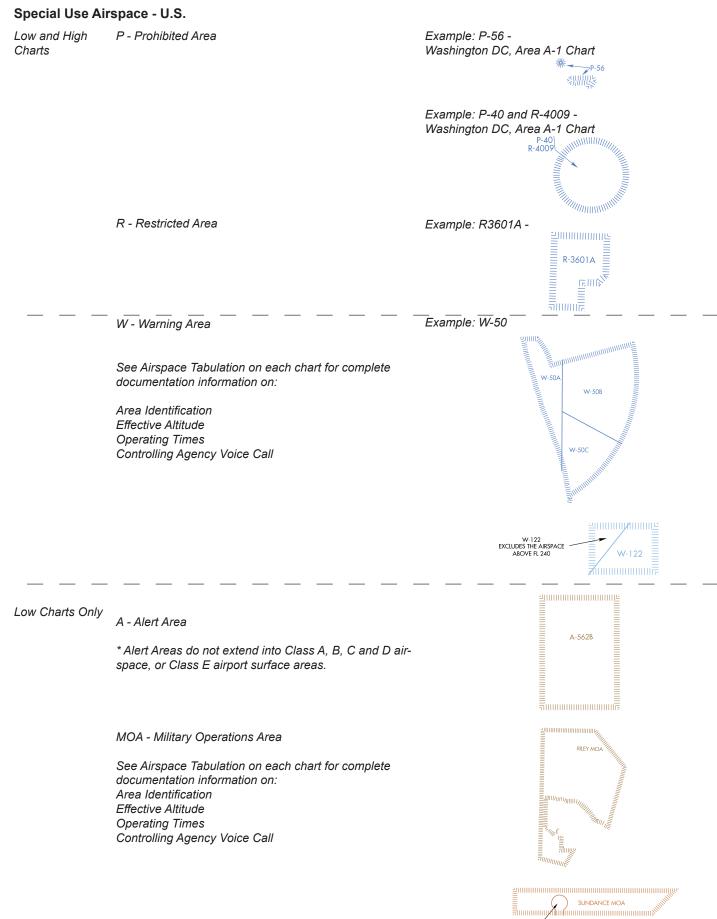
## **AIRSPACE - CANADIAN**



Controlled airspace above 12,500' MSL

Example: LBUQUERQUE Zuni 24.325 288.251 122.1R ST JOHNS 112.3 SIN 70 ::---N34'25.44' W109'08.61' LPRESCOTT CTC 7055 © 84 AWOS-3PT 119.65





EXCLUDES AIRSPACE AT AND BELOW 1500 AGE

#### Off Route Obstruction Clearance Altitude (OROCA)

Low Charts Only OROCA is computed similarly to the Maximum Elevation Figure (MEF) found on Visual charts except that it provides an additional vertical buffer of 1,000 feet in designated non-mountainous areas and a 2,000 foot vertical buffer in designated mountainous areas within the United States.

Example: 12,500 feet

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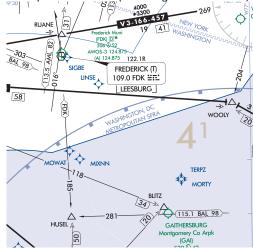
Eureka (88M) 2672 © 42 WOS-AV 118.375 SALT LAKE CITY Ŷ al Lakes Resort Pvt (Ø1MT) 3141 - 50 KALISPELL Glacier Park Int (GPI) D\* 2977 () 90 SEATTLE ASOS 132 625 Lakeside (A) 132.625 Ô SEATTLE SMITH LAKE AKF Ó Carson Fld Pvt (MT53) 3550 - 36 10 ell City 38 16 215 2932 0 36 TAO KILLY ė 24 Q 15 **JLIB**Y 159 Cabin Creek Landing F (97MT) 3999 - 34 (MTØ3) 3440 - 34 VAILL 9 ~\_\_\_\_^

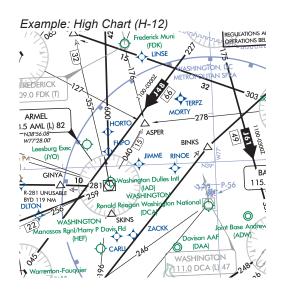
#### Special Flight Rules Area (SFRA)

Low and High Charts SFRA Symbology

WASHINGTON D.C. METROPOLITAN SFRA

Example: Low Chart (Washington Area Chart)





#### Special Use Airspace - Canada & Caribbean

Low and High Canada Only Charts CYA - Advisory Area

CYD - Danger Area

CYR - Restricted Area

Caribbean Only D - Danger Area

In the Caribbean, the first two letters represent the country code, i.e. (MY) Bahamas, (MU) Cuba

# NAVIGATIONAL AND PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

#### Cruising Altitudes - Low Charts - U.S. Only

IFR outside controlled airspace.

IFR within controlled airspace as assigned by ATC.

ALL courses are magnetic.

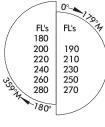


VFR above 3000' AGL unless otherwise authorized by ATC.

#### Cruising Altitudes - High Charts - U.S. Only

IFR within controlled airspace as assigned by ATC

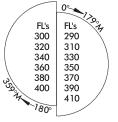
All courses are magnetic.



VFR or VFR On Top add 500'

No VFR flights within Class A Airspace above 3000' AGL unless otherwise authorized

#### **RVSM Levels FL290 to FL410**



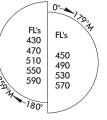
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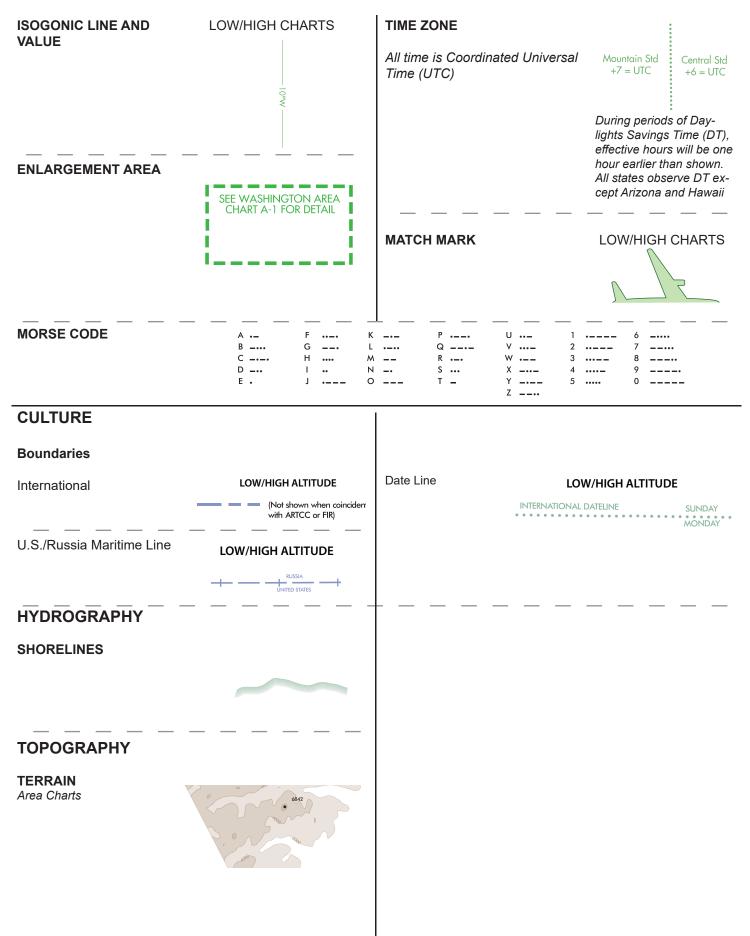
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No VFR or VFR On Top authorized above FL285 in RVSM airspace.



# **Navigational and Procedural Information (Continued)**



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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

#### Α

AAF - Army Air Field AAS - Airport Advisory Service AAUP - Attention All Users Page AC - Advisory Circular **ADF** - Automatic Direction Finder ADIZ - Air Defense Identification Zone ADS - Automatic Dependent Surveillance ADS-B - Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast Advsry - Advisory AFB - Air Force Base AFIS - Automatic Flight Information Service AFS - Air Force Station AFSS - Automated Flight Service Station AGL - Above Ground Level AIM - Aeronautical Information Manual AIRAC - Aeronautical Information Regulation And Control AK - Alaska AL - Approach and Landing ANG - Air National Guard APP - Approach **APP CON - Approach Control** APP CRS - Approach Course Apt - Airport APV - Approaches with Vertical Guidance **ARP** - Airport Reference Point ARTCC - Air Route Traffic Control Center ASDA - Accelerate-Stop Distance Available ASDE-X - Airport Surface Detection Equipment-Model X ASOS - Automated Surface Observing Station ASR - Airport Surveillance Radar ATC - Air Traffic Control ATIS - Automatic Terminal Information Service ATS - Air Traffic Service AUNICOM - Automated Aeronautical Advisory Station AWOS - Automated Weather Observing Station

# В

Baro-VNAV - Barometric Vertical Navigation BS - Broadcast Station

# С

CAC - Caribbean Aeronautical Chart CAT - Category CFA - Controlled Firing Areas CFR - Code of Federal Regulations CH - Channel CL - Runway Centerline Lights CLNC DEL - Clearance Delivery CNF - Computer Navigation Fix COP - Changeover Point CPDLC - Controller Pilot Data Link Communication CRS - Course CT - Control Tower CTAF - Common Traffic Advisory Frequency CVFP - Charted Visual Flight Procedure CZ - Control Zone (Canada)

# D

DA - Decision Altitude DA - Density Altitude D-ATIS - Digital Automatic Terminal Information Service DH - Decision Height DME - Distance Measuring Equipment DND - Department of National Defense (Canada) DoD - Department of Defense DOF - Digital Obstacle File DP - Departure Procedure DT - Daylight Savings Time DVA - Diverse Vector Area

# Ε

E - East EFAS - Enroute Flight Advisory Service EFB - Electronic Flight Bag Elev - Elevation EMAS - Engineered Materials Arresting System

# F

FAA - Federal Aviation Administration FAF - Final Approach Fix FAP - Final Approach Point FAR - Federal Aviation Regulation FBO - Fixed-Based Operator FIR - Flight Information Region FL - Flight Level FLIP - Flight Information Publication FMS - Flight Management System FREQ - Frequency FRZ - Flight Restricted Zone FSDO - Flight Standards District Office FSS - Flight Service Station

# G

GBAS - Ground-Based Augmentation System GCO - Ground Communications Outlet GLS - GBAS Landing System GND - Ground GND CON - Ground Control GNSS - Global Navigation Satellite System GP - Glide Path GPS - Global Positioning System GS - Global Slope GS - Ground Speed

## Η

HAA - Height Above Airport HAR - High Altitude Redesign HAT - Height Above Touchdown HCH - Heliport Crossing Height HF - High Frequency HIRL - High Intensity Runway Lights HS - Hot Spot

## I

IAC - Interagency Air Committee IACC - Interagency Air Cartographic Committee IAF - Initial Approach Fix IAP - Instrument Approach Procedure ICAO - International Civil Aviation Authority IDT - Identifier IF - Intermediate Fix IFR - Instrument Flight Rules ILS - Instrument Landing System IMC - Instrument Meteorological Conditions INS - Inertial Navigation System IR - Instrument Route (Military) IRU - Inertial Reference Unit

# J

JO - Joint Order

# Κ

<sup>-</sup>AA Chart User's Guide - Abbreviations

KIAS - Knots

# L

LAA - Local Airport Advisory LAAS - Local Area Augmentation System LAHSO - Land and Hold Short LDA - Landing Distance Available LDA - Localizer-type Directional Aid Ldg - Landing LF - Low Frequency LIRL - Low Intensity Runway Lights LNAV - Lateral Navigation LOC - Localizer LOM - Locator Outer Marker LPV - Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance LRRS - Long Range Radar Station LTP - Landing Threshold Point

# Μ

MAA - Maximum Authorized Altitude MAP - Missed Approach Point MCA - Minimum Crossing Altitude MCAS - Marine Corps Air Station MDA - Minimum Descent Altitude MDH - Minimum Descent Height MEA - Minimum Enroute Altitude MEF - Maximum Elevation Figure MF - Medium Frequency MIA - Minimum IFR Altitude MIRL - Medium Intensity Runway Lights MOA - Military Operations Areas MOCA - Minimum Obstruction Clearance Altitude MON - Minimum Operational Network MORA - Minimum Off-Route Altitude MRA - Minimum Off-Route Altitude MRA - Minimum Reception Altitude MSA - Minimum Safe Altitude MSL - Mean Sea Level MTA - Minimum Turning Altitude MTR - Military Training Route MVA - Minimum Vector Altitude

## Ν

N - North N/A - Not Applicable NA - Not Authorized NAAS - Naval Auxiliary Air Station NAS - Naval Air Station NAS - National Airspace System NAV - Naval Air Facility NAVAID - Navigational Aid (Ground based) NDB - Non-Directional Radiobeacon NextGen - Next Generation Air Transportation System NFDC - National Flight Data Center NFPO - National Flight Procedures Office NM - Nautical Mile NOAA - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NO A/G - No Air-to-Ground Communication NOTAM - Notice to Airman NoPT - No Procedure Turn NPA - Non-Precision Approach NTAP - Notices to Airman Publication NWS - National Weather Service

# 0

OAT - Outside Air Temperature OBS - Omni Bearing Selector OCA - Ocean Control Area OCS - Obstacle Clearance Surface ODP - Obstacle Departure Procedure OM - Outer Marker OROCA - Off Route Obstruction Clearance Altitude

## Ρ

PA - Precision Approach PAR - Precision Approach Radar PBN - Performance-Based Navigation PRM - Precision Runway Monitor PT - Procedure Turn PTP - Point-to-Point Pvt - Private

# R

R - Radial R - Receive R - Restricted Area (Special Use Airspace) RCO - Remote Communications Outlet RF - Radius-to-Fix RNAV - Area Navigation RNP - Required Navigation Performance RNP AR - Required Navigation Performance Authorization Required ROC - Required Obstacle Clearance RP - Right Pattern RVR - Runway Visual Range RVSM - Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum Rwy - Runway

# S

S - South SAAAR - Special Aircraft and Aircrew Authorization Required SAAR - Special Aircraft and Aircrew Requirements SATNAV - Satellite Navigation SDF - Simplified Directional Facility SER - Start End of Runway SFAR - Special Flight Rules Area SFC - Surface SFRA - Special Flight Rules Area SIAPs - Standard Instrument Approach Procedures SID - Standard Instrument Departure SM - Statute Mile SMAR - Special Military Activity Routes SMGCS - Surface Movement Guidance and Control System SOIA - Simultaneous Offset Instrument Approaches SSV - Standard Service Volume STAR - Standard Terminal Arrival Procedure SUA - Special Use Airspace SVFR - Special Visual Flight Rules

# Т

T - Transmit TA - Travel Advisory TAA - Terminal Arrival Area TAC - Terminal Area Chart **TACAN** - Tactical Air Navigation TAS - True Air Speed TCA - Terminal Control Areas (Canada) TCH - Threshold Crossing Height TDZ - Touchdown Zone TDZE - Touchdown Zone Elevation **TDZL** - Touchdown Zone Lights TDZ/CL - Touchdown Zone/Centerline Lights TERPS - U.S. Standard for Terminal Instrument Procedures **TFR - Temporary Flight Restriction TIBS - Telephone Information Briefing Service** TIS-B - Traffic Information Service - Broadcast

TOC - Top of Climb TOD - Top of Descent TODA - Takeoff Distance Available TOGA - Takeoff/Go Around TORA - Takeoff Runway Available TPP - Terminal Procedures Publication TRSA - Terminal Radar Service Area TWR - Tower

# U

UC - Under Construction UHF - Ultra High Frequency UIR - Upper Information Region UNICOM - Universal Communications U.S. - United States USA - United States Army USAF - United States Air Force USCG - United State Coast Guard UTA - Upper Control Area

# V

VCOA - Visual Climb Over Airport / Airfield VDA - Vertical Descent Angle VDP - Visual Decent Point VFR - Visual Flight Rules VGSI - Visual Glide Slope Indicator VHF - Very High Frequency VMC - Visual Meteorological Conditions VNAV - Vertical Navigation VOR - VHF Omnidirectional Radio Range VORTAC - VHF Omnidirectional Radio Range/Tactical Air Navigation VPA - Vertical Path Angle VR - Visual Route (Military)

# W

W - Warning Area (Special Use Airspace)
W - West
WAAS - Wide-Area Augmentation System
WAC - World Aeronautical Chart
WP - Waypoint
WX CAM - Weather Camera (Alaska)