

Annex K – Air Operations & UAV Support

Procedures for Establishing & Canceling
Temporary Flight Restrictions

9747 Procedures for Establishing/Canceling Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFRs)

Introduction

A Temporary Flight Restriction is a regulatory action issued via the U.S. Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) system to restrict certain aircraft from operating within a defined area, on a temporary basis, to protect persons or property in the air or on the ground. When activated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) the TFRs prohibit all flights in a designated air space except those participating in hazard relief activities.

Temporary Flight Restrictions

When directed by the Incident Commander/Unified Command the Operations Section Chief or Air Operations Branch Director will request Temporary Flight Restrictions from the closest Federal Aviation Administration's Air Traffic Control Facility (ATCF).

- ❑ All appropriate incident and air operations personnel should be notified of any Temporary Flight Restrictions
- ❑ TFRs should be promptly lifted when no longer needed
- ❑ Provide the Documentation Unit with any related documentation to the establishment of TFRs

Action to Establish a TFR

Philadelphia International Airport ATCF should be contacted for Sector Delaware Bay area of responsibility. Philadelphia International Airport ATCF can be reached at 215-492-4100. If the Philadelphia ATCF is not the correct ATCF, it will provide the correct ATCF and point of contact.

The following information is required before the FAA will approve a request for a Temporary Flight Restriction

- ❑ Name and organization of person requesting the TFR
- ❑ Brief description of the situation
- ❑ Estimated duration of restriction
- ❑ Agency responsible for on-scene activity
- ❑ Name and phone number of contact point
- ❑ Description of the affected area (distance and altitude above ground level)
- ❑ Description of potential hazards to persons and property in the air
- ❑ Description of the hazard that would be compounded by aircraft use
- ❑ Type of activity, proposed aircraft operations, and location of aircraft base
- ❑ Contact point or radio frequency for handling news media flight requests

Authorities

TFRs are issued for the following reasons under the following authorities:

- Vicinity of Disaster/Hazard Areas (14 CFR § 91.137)
 - A TFR under § 91.137 may be requested by various entities, including: military commands, federal security/intelligence agencies; regional directors of the Office of Emergency Planning, Civil Defense State Directors, civil authorities directing or coordinating organized relief air operations, State Governors, FAA Flight Standards District Office, aviation event organizers, or sporting event officials.
- Special Security Instructions (14 CFR Part 99, §99.7)
 - A TFR under §99.7 may be requested by the Department of Defense or other Federal security/intelligence agency.

Actions to Cancel a TFR

- A TFR established for a defined period of time requires no other action once in place
- A TFR established for an indefinite period of time will require the requesting agency to notify the FAA office that implemented the TFR to cancel it.

Aviation Considerations

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Controlled Airspace Over Navigational Waters			
I/D	Name of Airport	Type of Airspace	Characteristics of the Airspace
KTTN	Trenton	Class Delta	Surface to 2700 Feet
KPNE	Philadelphia Northeast	Class Delta	Surface to 2600 Feet
KPHL	Philadelphia International	Class Bravo	Various Altitudes Up To 7000 Feet
KILG	Wilmington	Class Delta	Surface to 2600 Feet
KDOV	Dover Air Force Base	Class Delta	Surface to 2500 Feet
KACY	Atlantic City	Class Charlie	Various Altitudes Up To 4100 Feet
Special Use Airspace			
TFR's	Temporary Flight Restrictions	Restricted Airspace	ATC controlled
Stadium TFR's	Sporting Events (e.g. Philadelphia)	Restricted Airspace	ATC controlled
VIP	Presidential Movement	Restricted Airspace	Surface to 18000 Feet
FRZ's	Flight Restricted Zones	No Entry	
Wildlife Refuge Areas			
Delaware Water Gap Area		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
Killcohook National Wildlife Refuge		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
Bombay Hook National Wildlife Refuge		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
Cape May National Wildlife Refuge		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
Brigantine National Wildlife Refuge		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
Barnegat National Wildlife Refuge		Minimum Altitude 2000 Feet Above Surface	
The FAA Air Traffic Organization – Eastern Service Center at 404-305-6220			