

approved as specified in the provisions of the “Ref. Publications” section of EASA AD 2024–0036.

(m) Additional AD Provisions

The following provisions also apply to this AD:

(1) *Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)*: The Manager, International Validation Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the International Validation Branch, mail it to the address identified in paragraph (n) of this AD. Information may be emailed to: 9-AVS-AIR-730-AMOC@faa.gov. Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office.

(2) *Contacting the Manufacturer*: For any requirement in this AD to obtain instructions from a manufacturer, the instructions must be accomplished using a method approved by the Manager, International Validation Branch, FAA; or EASA; or Dassault Aviation’s EASA Design Organization Approval (DOA). If approved by the DOA, the approval must include the DOA-authorized signature.

(n) Additional Information

For more information about this AD, contact Tom Rodriguez, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 1600 Stewart Avenue, Suite 410, Westbury, NY 11590; telephone: 206–231–3226; email tom.rodriguez@faa.gov.

(o) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference (IBR) of the material listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this material as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless this AD specifies otherwise.

(3) The following material was approved for IBR on October 15, 2024.

(i) European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) AD 2024–0036, dated January 31, 2024.

(ii) [Reserved]

(4) The following material was approved for IBR on February 7, 2024 (89 FR 244, January 3, 2024; corrected January 18, 2024 (89 FR 3342); corrected January 26, 2024 (89 FR 5088)).

(i) EASA AD 2023–0046, dated March 2, 2023.

(ii) [Reserved]

(5) For EASA ADs 2023–0046 and 2024–0036, contact EASA, Konrad-Adenauer-Ufer 3, 50668 Cologne, Germany; telephone +49 221 8999 000; email ADs@easa.europa.eu; website easa.europa.eu. You may find these EASA ADs on the EASA website at ad.easa.europa.eu.

(6) You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195.

(7) You may view this material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locationsoremailfr.inspection@nara.gov.

Issued on July 16, 2024.

James D. Foltz,

Deputy Director, Compliance & Airworthiness Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. FAA–2023–1879; Project Identifier AD–2023–00286–T; Amendment 39–22794; AD 2024–15–03]

RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The FAA is superseding Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2019–16–05, which applied to all The Boeing Company Model 777 airplanes. AD 2019–16–05 required identifying the part number, and the serial number if applicable, of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats, and applicable on-condition actions for affected seats. This AD was prompted by reports of uncommanded fore/aft movement of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats. This AD retains the requirements of AD 2019–16–05 and adds an inspection of previously omitted part numbers. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

DATES: This AD is effective October 15, 2024.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in this AD as of October 15, 2024.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of a certain other publication listed in this AD as of October 8, 2019 (84 FR 45895, September 3, 2019).

ADDRESSES:

AD Docket: You may examine the AD docket at regulations.gov under Docket No. FAA–2023–1879; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this final rule, any comments received, and other information. The

address for Docket Operations is U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

Material Incorporated by Reference:

- For Boeing material identified in this AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Attention: Contractual & Data Services (C&DS), 2600 Westminister Blvd., MC 110–SK57, Seal Beach, CA 90740–5600; telephone 562–797–1717; website myboeingfleet.com.

- You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206–231–3195. It is also available at regulations.gov under Docket No. FAA–2023–1879.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Courtney Tuck, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; phone: 206–231–3986; email: courtney.k.tuck@faa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The FAA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 to supersede AD 2019–16–05, Amendment 39–19708 (84 FR 45895, September 23, 2019) (AD 2019–16–05). AD 2019–16–05 applied to all The Boeing Company Model 777–200, –200LR, –300, –300ER, and 777F series airplanes. The NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on September 27, 2023 (88 FR 66310). The NPRM was prompted by reports of uncommanded fore/aft movement of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats. In the NPRM, the FAA proposed to continue to require the actions of AD 2019–16–05 and add an inspection of previously omitted part numbers. The FAA is issuing this AD to address uncommanded fore/aft movement of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats. Uncommanded fore/aft seat movement during a critical part of a flight, such as takeoff or landing, could cause a flight control obstruction or unintended flight control input, which could result in the loss of the ability to control the airplane.

Discussion of Final Airworthiness Directive

Comments

The FAA received a comment from Boeing in support of the NPRM without change.

The FAA received additional comments from American Airlines and an individual commenter. The following

presents the comments received on the NPRM and the FAA's response.

Request for Credit for Previous Actions

American Airlines and an individual requested credit for the accomplishment of actions required by the previous revision of the service information if it can be shown through maintenance records that the required actions have already been accomplished.

The FAA agrees that credit may be granted, under specific conditions. Paragraph (j) of this AD has been added to identify these conditions.

Conclusion

The FAA reviewed the relevant data, considered any comments received, and determined that air safety requires adopting this AD as proposed. Accordingly, the FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products. Except for minor editorial changes, and any other changes described previously, this AD is adopted as proposed in the NPRM. None of the changes will increase the economic burden on any operator.

Material Incorporated by Reference Under 1 CFR Part 51

The FAA reviewed Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777-25-0607, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023. The material describes procedures for identification of the part number, and the serial number if applicable, of the Captain's and First Officer's seats, and for applicable on-condition actions for affected seats including an inspection of each seat's fore/aft and vertical manual control levers for looseness, installation of serviceable seats, and a seat functional test after any cable adjustment.

The FAA also reviewed Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777-25-0619, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023. This material describes procedures for a detailed inspection and repetitive checks of the horizontal movement system for the Captain's and First Officer's seats for findings (e.g., evidence of cracks, scores, corrosion, dents, deformation, or visible wear; and incorrectly assembled microswitch assemblies, actuators, and limit switches), and applicable on-condition

actions. The on-condition actions include clearing the seat tracks of foreign object debris (FOD), overhauling the horizontal movement system, and replacing the horizontal actuator. This material also describes procedures for an optional terminating action for the repetitive checks by installing a serviceable Captain's or First Officer's seat.

This AD also requires Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777-25-0619, Revision 1, dated August 8, 2018, which the Director of the Federal Register approved for incorporation by reference as of October 8, 2019 (84 FR 45895, September 3, 2019).

This material is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in **ADDRESSES**.

Costs of Compliance

The FAA estimates that this AD affects 327 airplanes of U.S. registry. The FAA estimates the following costs to comply with this AD:

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR REQUIRED ACTIONS PER SEAT

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product	Cost on U.S. operators
Identification, seat (retained actions from AD 2019-16-05).	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85 ..	\$0	\$85	\$27,795.
Detailed inspection, horizontal movement system (retained actions from AD 2019-16-05).	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85 ..	0	\$85	\$27,795.
Checks, horizontal movement system (retained actions).	2 work-hours × 85 per hour = 170 per check cycle.	0	\$170 per check cycle	\$55,590 per check cycle.

The FAA estimates the following costs to do any on-condition actions that would be required. The FAA has no way of determining the number of aircraft that might need these on-condition actions:

ESTIMATED COSTS OF ON-CONDITION ACTIONS PER SEAT *

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product
Adjustment, control lever cable	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	\$0	\$85.
Overhaul, horizontal movement system	11 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$935	Up to \$5,824	Up to \$6,759.
Inspection of each seat's fore/aft and vertical manual control levers.	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	\$0	\$85.
Installation of serviceable seats	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	\$0	\$85.
Clearing FOD	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	\$0	\$85.
Replacement of the horizontal actuator	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85, per actuator.	\$7,937 per actuator	\$8,022 per actuator.
Functional test, adjusted control lever cable	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	\$0	\$85.

* The estimated cost for tooling to align an affected seat for adjustment of the control lever cable is up to \$46,064.

The FAA has included all known costs in its cost estimate. According to the manufacturer, however, some or all of the costs of this AD may be covered under warranty, thereby reducing the cost impact on affected operators.

Authority for This Rulemaking

Title 49 of the United States Code specifies the FAA's authority to issue rules on aviation safety. Subtitle I, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII: Aviation Programs, describes in more

detail the scope of the Agency's authority.

The FAA is issuing this rulemaking under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart III, Section 44701: General requirements. Under that section, Congress charges the FAA

with promoting safe flight of civil aircraft in air commerce by prescribing regulations for practices, methods, and procedures the Administrator finds necessary for safety in air commerce. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it addresses an unsafe condition that is likely to exist or develop on products identified in this rulemaking action.

Regulatory Findings

This AD will not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132. This AD will not have a substantial direct effect on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this AD:

- (1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866,
- (2) Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska, and
- (3) Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

The Amendment

Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA amends 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

- 1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

- 2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by:
 - a. Removing Airworthiness Directive (AD) 2019–16–05, Amendment 39–19708 (84 FR 45895, September 3, 2019); and
 - b. Adding the following new AD:

2024–15–03 The Boeing Company:
Amendment 39–22794; Docket No. FAA–2023–1879; Project Identifier AD–2023–00286–T.

(a) Effective Date

This airworthiness directive (AD) is effective October 15, 2024.

(b) Affected ADs

This AD replaces AD 2019–16–05, Amendment 39–19708 (84 FR 45895, September 3, 2019) (AD 2019–16–05).

(c) Applicability

This AD applies to all The Boeing Company Model 777–200, –200LR, –300, –300ER, and 777F series airplanes, certificated in any category.

(d) Subject

Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 25, Equipment/Furnishings.

(e) Unsafe Condition

This AD was prompted by reports of uncommanded fore/aft movement of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats. The FAA is issuing this AD to address uncommanded fore/aft movement of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats. Uncommanded fore/aft seat movement during a critical part of a flight, such as takeoff or landing, could cause a flight control obstruction or unintended flight control input, which could result in the loss of the ability to control the airplane.

(f) Compliance

Comply with this AD within the compliance times specified, unless already done.

(g) Seat Part Number Identification and On-Condition Actions

Except as specified in paragraphs (i) and (j) of this AD: At the applicable time specified in paragraph 1.E., “Compliance,” of Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0607, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023, do an inspection to determine the part number, and serial number as applicable, of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats, and do all applicable on-condition actions, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0607, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023. A review of airplane maintenance records is acceptable in lieu of this inspection if the part number and serial number of the Captain’s and First Officer’s seats can be conclusively determined from that review.

(h) Detailed Inspection and Repetitive Checks of Horizontal Movement System and On-Condition Actions

Except as specified in paragraphs (i) and (j) of this AD: At the applicable times specified in paragraph 1.E., “Compliance,” of Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0619, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023, do all applicable actions identified as “RC” (required for compliance) in, and in accordance with, the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0619, Revision 1, dated August 8, 2018, or Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023. As of the effective date of this AD, only Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0619, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023, may be used. Actions identified as terminating action in Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0619, Revision 1, dated August 8, 2018, or Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023, terminate the applicable required actions of this AD, provided the terminating action is done in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0619, Revision 1, dated August 8, 2018, or Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023.

(i) Exceptions to Service Bulletin Specifications

(1) Where Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0619, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023, uses the phrase “the Original issue date of this service bulletin,” this AD requires replacing those words with “October 8, 2019 (the effective date of AD 2019–16–05).”

(2) Where Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0607, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023, specifies compliance for certain actions “within 72 months after the Original issue date of this service bulletin,” this AD requires replacing those words with “within 36 months after October 8, 2019 (the effective date of AD 2019–16–05).”

(3) Where Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777–25–0607, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023, specifies compliance for certain actions “within 36 months after the Revision 2 date of this service bulletin,” this AD requires compliance within 36 months after the effective date of this AD.

(j) Acceptable Conditions for Compliance

If the airplane records show that an Ipeco Captain’s or First Officer’s seat meets any condition in figure 1 to paragraph (j) of this AD, the actions specified in this AD are not required for that seat.

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Figure 1 to Paragraph (j)—Alternative Acceptable Seats

Installation per Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin –	And installation per Ipeco Service Bulletin –	Having Ipeco Part Number –	And additional required conditions –
777-25-0607, Revision 1, dated July 17, 2018	None	3A258-0041-01-2 or 3A258-0042-01-2	No additional conditions required.
	201-25-04, Issue 2, dated March 28, 2014; or Issue 3, dated March 4, 2020; or Issue 4, dated January 28, 2021	3A201-0007-01-1 or 3A201-0008-01-1	The manual override cable maintenance has been completed on the seat in accordance with Ipeco Component Maintenance Manual 25-10-87, Revision 28, dated December 13, 2013, or subsequent revisions up to and including Revision 53, dated November 30, 2023.
	201-25-04, Issue 4, dated January 28, 2021	3A201-0007-01-1Z or 3A201-0008-01-1Z	The manual override cable maintenance has been completed on the seat in accordance with Ipeco Component Maintenance Manual 25-10-87, Revision 28, dated December 13, 2013, or subsequent revisions up to and including Revision 53, dated November 30, 2023.
	258-25-08, Issue 4, dated April 25, 2014; or Issue 5, dated March 4, 2020; or Issue 6, dated January 28, 2021	3A258-0041-01-1 or 3A258-0042-01-1	Does not have a serial number identified by the effectivity of the referenced Ipeco service bulletins.
	258-25-08, Issue 4, dated April 25, 2014; or Issue 5, dated March 4, 2020; or Issue 6, dated January 28, 2021	3A258-0041-01-1 or 3A258-0042-01-1	The manual override cable maintenance has been completed on the seat in accordance with Ipeco Component Maintenance Manual 25-11-38, Revision 21, dated December 12, 2013, or subsequent revisions up to and including Revision 53, dated December 4, 2023.
	258-25-08, Issue 6, dated January 28, 2021	3A258-0041-01-1Z or 3A258-0042-01-1Z	Does not have a serial number identified by the effectivity of the referenced Ipeco service bulletin.
	258-25-08, Issue 6, dated January 28, 2021	3A258-0041-01-1Z or 3A258-0042-01-1Z	The manual override cable maintenance has been completed on the seat in accordance with Ipeco Component Maintenance Manual 25-11-38, Revision 21, dated December 12, 2013, or subsequent revisions up to and including Revision 53, dated December 4, 2023.
Installation per Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin –	And installation per Ipeco Service Bulletin –	Having Ipeco Part Number –	And additional required conditions –

777-25-0619, Revision 1, dated August 8, 2018	None	3A201-0007-01-1Z, 3A201-0008-01-1Z, 3A258-0041-01-2, 3A258-0041-01-1Z, 3A258-0042-01-2, or 3A258-0042-01-1Z	No additional conditions required.
	201-25-07, Issue 3, dated January 9, 2018; or Issue 4, dated April 20, 2020	3A201-0007-01-1 or 3A201-0008-01-1	Has a horizontal actuator with Artus part number AD8650503 at "Amendment C" or later.
	201-25-08, Issue 4, dated January 29, 2018; or Issue 5, dated April 20, 2020; or Issue 6, dated April 6, 2021	3A201-0007-01-1 or 3A201-0008-01-1	Has a horizontal actuator with Artus part number AD8650503 at "Amendment C" or later.
	258-25-13, Issue 3, dated November 27, 2017; or Issue 4, dated April 28, 2020; or Issue 5, dated November 1, 2021	3A258-0041-01-1 or 3A258-0042-01-1	Has a horizontal actuator with Artus part number AD8650503 at "Amendment C" or later.
	258-25-14, Issue 4, dated January 29, 2018; or Issue 5, dated April 28, 2020	3A258-0041-01-1 or 3A258-0042-01-1	Has a horizontal actuator with Artus part number AD8650503 at "Amendment C" or later.

BILLING CODE 4910-13-C**(k) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)**

(1) The Manager, AIR-520, Continued Operational Safety Branch, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested using the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19. In accordance with 14 CFR 39.19, send your request to your principal inspector or responsible Flight Standards Office, as appropriate. If sending information directly to the manager of the certification office, send it to the attention of the person identified in paragraph (l)(1) of this AD. Information may be emailed to: *AMOC@faa.gov*.

(2) Before using any approved AMOC, notify your appropriate principal inspector, or lacking a principal inspector, the manager of the responsible Flight Standards Office.

(3) An AMOC that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used for any repair, modification, or alteration required by this AD if it is approved by The Boeing Company Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) that has been authorized by the Manager, AIR-520, Continued Operational Safety Branch, FAA, to make those findings. To be approved, the repair method, modification deviation, or alteration deviation must meet the certification basis of the airplane, and the approval must specifically refer to this AD.

(4) AMOCs approved for AD 2019-16-05 are approved as AMOCs for the corresponding provisions of this AD.

(5) For material that contains steps that are labeled as Required for Compliance (RC), the provisions of paragraphs (k)(5)(i) and (ii) of this AD apply.

(i) The steps labeled as RC, including substeps under an RC step and any figures identified in an RC step, must be done to comply with the AD. If a step or substep is labeled "RC Exempt," then the RC requirement is removed from that step or substep. An AMOC is required for any deviations to RC steps, including substeps and identified figures.

(ii) Steps not labeled as RC may be deviated from using accepted methods in accordance with the operator's maintenance or inspection program without obtaining approval of an AMOC, provided the RC steps, including substeps and identified figures, can still be done as specified, and the airplane can be put back in an airworthy condition.

(l) Related Information

(1) For more information about this AD, contact Courtney Tuck, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198; phone: 206-231-3986; email: *courtney.k.tuck@faa.gov*.

(2) Material identified in this AD that is not incorporated by reference is available at the address specified in paragraph (m)(5) of this AD.

(m) Material Incorporated by Reference

(1) The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference

(IBR) of the material listed in this paragraph under 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51.

(2) You must use this material as applicable to do the actions required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise.

(3) The following material was approved for IBR on October 15, 2024.

(i) Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777-25-0607, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023.

(ii) Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777-25-0619, Revision 2, dated January 27, 2023.

(4) The following material was approved for IBR on October 8, 2019 (84 FR 45895, September 3, 2019).

(i) Boeing Special Attention Service Bulletin 777-25-0619, Revision 1, dated August 8, 2018.

(ii) [Reserved]

(5) For Boeing material identified in this AD, contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Attention: Contractual & Data Services (C&DS), 2600 Westminister Blvd., MC 110-SK57, Seal Beach, CA 90740-5600; telephone 562-797-1717; website *myboeingfleet.com*.

(6) You may view this material at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call 206-231-3195.

(7) You may view this material at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA,

visit www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations or email fr.inspection@nara.gov.

Issued on August 23, 2024.

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Deputy Director, Integrated Certificate Management Division, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2024–0184; Airspace Docket No. 23–AWP–69]

RIN 2120–AA66

Modification of Class D Airspace and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Sacramento Mather Airport, Sacramento, CA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action modifies the Class D airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,600 feet mean sea level (MSL) and establishes Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Sacramento Mather Airport, Sacramento, CA. Additionally, this action makes administrative modifications to update the airport's Class D airspace legal description. These actions support the safety and management of instrument flight rules (IFR) and visual flight rules (VFR) operations at the airport.

DATES: Effective date 0901 UTC, December 26, 2024. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under 1 CFR part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order JO 7400.11 and publication of conforming amendments.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), all comments received, this final rule, and all background material may be viewed online at www.regulations.gov using the FAA Docket number. Electronic retrieval help and guidelines are available on the website. It is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year.

FAA Order JO 7400.11H, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/. You may also contact the Rules and Regulations Group, Office of Policy, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence

Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267–8783.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority for This Rulemaking

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of the airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it modifies Class D and establishes Class E airspace to support IFR operations at Sacramento Mather Airport, Sacramento, CA.

History

The FAA published an NPRM for Docket No. FAA–2024–0184 in the **Federal Register** (89 FR 27695; April 18, 2024), proposing to modify Class D and establish Class E airspace at Sacramento Mather Airport, Sacramento, CA. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received.

Differences From the NPRM

The Operations Support Group discovered that the proposed Class E5 northeast extension, as described in the NPRM, was from a different measurement point than the airport reference point (ARP). The Class E5 airspace area dimension remain the same. The amended legal description originated from the Mather's airport reference point to avoid misinterpretation of the distance. The amended text will read, “within 6 miles northwest and 9 miles southeast of the 054° bearing extending from 12.7 miles northeast to 37 miles northeast of the airport.”

Incorporation by Reference

Class D and Class E5 airspace designations are published in paragraphs 5000 and 6005, respectively, of FAA Order JO 7400.11, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points,

which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 on an annual basis. This document amends the current version of that order, FAA Order JO 7400.11H, dated August 11, 2023, and effective September 15, 2023. These updates would be published in the next update to FAA Order JO 7400.11. That order is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. These amendments will be published in the next update to FAA Order JO 7400.11.

FAA Order JO 7400.11H lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Rule

This action amends 14 CFR part 71 by modifying the Class D airspace and establishing Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Sacramento Mather Airport, Sacramento, CA.

The Class D surface area is comprised of a 4.5-mile radius of the airport, up to and including 2,600 feet MSL. This airspace is modified to include an extension centered on the 061° bearing from the airport, extending 1.8 miles beyond the existing radius. This extension will better contain departing IFR operations while utilizing the Runway (RWY) 4 Left (L) and RWY 4 Right (R) obstacle departure procedures (ODP) until reaching the base of adjacent controlled airspace.

Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is established to appropriately contain arriving IFR operations below 1,500 feet above the surface and departing IFR operations until reaching 1,200 feet above the surface at Sacramento Mather Airport. The airport utilizes the Sacramento very high frequency omnidirectional range/tactical air navigation (VORTAC) Class E airspace for some of its procedure containment, but that airspace is not sufficient in containing the Area Navigation (RNAV) (Global Positioning System [GPS]) RWY 22L approach at Sacramento Mather Airport. On the same approach, the point at which an arriving aircraft is expected to descend below 1,500 feet above the surface lies within the hold-in-lieu of procedure turn holding pattern. By rule, that location requires the entirety of the holding area also be contained within Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface.

Finally, the FAA makes administrative modifications to the airport's Class D airspace legal description. The location of the airspace is incorrect and is changed to read “Sacramento, CA” instead of