

COLUMBUS AIRPORT COMMISSION
Columbus, Georgia
AIRPORT RULES AND REGULATIONS

Section 100: Definitions

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- A. **Aeronautical Service Provider:** A person duly licensed and authorized by written agreement with the Commission to provide specific aeronautical services at the Airport, under strict compliance with such agreement, pursuant to the Commission’s Minimum Standards for Aeronautical Service Providers as amended from time to time, and in accordance with applicable local, state and federal regulations. A person conducting any activity or service that involves, makes possible, facilitates, is related to, assists in, or is required for the operation of Aircraft, or which contributes to or is required for the safety of such operations. Aeronautical Services include, but are not limited to, Aircraft ground services; support and amenities; Tie down, Aircraft Storage/hangar, Aircraft parking, office, and shop rental/subleasing; Airframe and Power Plant Maintenance; Avionics Sales and Maintenance; Aircraft Rental; Flight Training; Air Charter, Taxi; Aircraft Management Operations; Aircraft Sales; sightseeing aerial photography; aerial spraying and agriculture aviation services; aerial advertising; aerial surveying; and any other activities, which in the judgment of the Commission, because of their direct relationship to the operation of Aircraft or the Airport, can appropriately be regarded as an “Aeronautical Service”.
- B. **Air Carrier:** the commercial operation of providing air transportation of persons or property for hire in aircraft with 30 or more passenger seats. Operators in this category are generally required to meet the standards of FAR Part 121 – *Air Carrier Certification*.
- C. **Air Charter or Taxi:** the commercial operation of providing air transportation of person(s) or property for hire either on a charter basis or as an air taxi operator in aircraft with 30 or fewer passenger seats. Operators in this category are generally required to meet the standards of FAR Part 135 – *Operating Requirements: Commuter and On Demand Operations and Rules Governing Persons on board such Aircraft*.
- D. **Air Operations Area (AOA):** Any area used for the parking, landing, takeoff, or surface maneuvering of aircraft. The AOA is considered a restricted area and is off-limits to the general public.
- E. **Aircraft** (also, Airplane, Balloon, Helicopter, and Ultralight): Any contrivance now known or hereafter invented and used for navigation and flight in air or space.
- F. **Aircraft Emergency:** Problem or condition involving an aircraft in flight or on the ground that could endanger lives or property. The pilot in command of an aircraft, air traffic control personnel, or the Airport Director can declare an aircraft emergency.
- G. **Aircraft Maintenance:** Any servicing, repair, modification or upgrade of an aircraft. Said maintenance may or may not be provided for by FAA regulation to be performed by FAA certified mechanics.
- H. **Aircraft Operator:** Person who may or may not be the Aircraft Owner but physically operates the aircraft.

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- I. **Aircraft Owner:** Person holding legal title to and/or having exclusive possession of an aircraft.
- J. **Airport:** Shall refer to the Columbus Airport (CSG), Columbus, Georgia.
- K. **Airport Certification Manual (ACM):** Manual approved by FAA outlining the Commission's measures to comply with the requirements of 14 CFR Part 139 *Certification of Airports*.
- L. **Airport Director (Director):** The agent or representative of the Commission having immediate charge of the Airport. The Commission may manifest all or part of its authority through the Director. Term also applies to any designee appointed by incumbent Director or Commission.
- M. **Airport Layout Plan (ALP):** The currently approved Airport Layout Plan depicting the physical layout of the Airport and identifying the location and configuration of current runways, taxiways, buildings, roadways, utilities, NAVAIDs, etc. The ALP also depicts future planned development of the Airport.
- N. **Airport Maintenance:** Airport Department responsible for overall maintenance of Airport facilities owned/operated by the Commission.
- O. **Airport Reference Codes (ARC):** *FAA Advisory Circular 150/5300-13 Airport Design* defines the Airport Reference Code (ARC) as "a coding system used to relate Airport design criteria to the operational and physical characteristics of the airplanes intended to use the Airport." The ARC is used to determine design dimensions for the various separation and safety standards, Runway Protection Zones and Object Free Zones dimensions, surface gradients, and threshold siting standards.
- P. **Airport Security Program (ASP):** Manual approved by TSA outlining the Commission's measures to comply with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 1542 *Airport Security*.
- Q. **Approach Surface:** A surface longitudinally centered on the extended runway centerline and extending outward and upward from either a runway threshold or 200 feet behind a threshold. This surface is needed to define where unobstructed airspace begins.
- R. **ARR:** Shall refer to this Airport Rules and Regulations document as amended.
- S. **ATCT:** See Tower.
- T. **Columbus Airport Commission (Commission):** Entity created and existing pursuant to a 1968 Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia created to own and operate the Airport.
- U. **Commercial Activity:** Activity undertaken as part of a commercial enterprise. Includes all types of business, vocations, occupations, professions, trades, enterprises, establishments, and all other types of activities and matters, together with all devices, machines, vehicles, and equipment used therein, any of which are conducted, used, or carried on for the purpose of earning, in whole or in part, a profit or livelihood, whether or not a profit or livelihood

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actually is earned thereby. Business, professions, and trades shall include, without being limited thereto, trades and occupations of all and every type of calling carried on within the airport boundaries; salesmen, brokers, retailers, wholesalers, vendors, suppliers, peddlers, professions and any other type of endeavor within the airport boundaries for the purpose of earning a livelihood or profit in whole or in part whether paid for in money, goods, labor, or otherwise, and whether or not the business, profession or trade has a fixed place of business on the Airport.

- V. **Federal Aviation Administration (FAA):** Refers to the federal agency of the U.S. Government created and established under the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, or its successor, which is vested with the same or similar authority.
- W. **Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR):** Refers to regulations promulgated by the FAA in accordance with law.
- X. **Ground Transportation Business:** Commercial activity operating vehicles for hire at the airport. Examples are: rental cars, taxicabs, limo services, on-demand shuttles, hotel shuttles, etc.
- Y. **Ground Vehicle:** Non-Aviation related vehicle operated on the AOA. This designation includes autos, cars, trucks, tugs, air stairs, refueling vehicles, etc. The Commission has the sole authority to determine what vehicles fall into this category.
- Z. **Lease:** A contractual agreement between a Person and the Commission for the use of an asset belonging to the Commission.
- AA. **Lessee or Leaseholder:** See Tenant.
- BB. **Minimum Standards:** Refers to the Minimum Requirements for Airport Aeronautical Services as adopted or amended.
- CC. **Movement Areas:** Means the runways, taxiways, and other areas of an airport that are used for taxiing, takeoff, and landing of aircraft.
- DD. **NAVAID:** Any visual or electronic device airborne or on the surface which provides point-to-point guidance information or position data to aircraft in flight.
- EE. **Nonexclusive rights:** Federal Grants Assurances prohibits the Commission from entering into any agreement where a power, privilege, or other right excluding or debarring another from enjoying or exercising a like power, privilege, or right. An exclusive right can be conferred either by express agreement, by the imposition of unreasonable standards or requirements, or by any other means. Such a right conferred on one or more parties, but excluding others from enjoying or exercising a similar right or rights, would be an exclusive right.
- FF. **Notice to Airmen (NOTAM):** Notices to the flying public (airmen) through FAA notice system. Normally initiated by message to Lockheed Martin Flight Services, a contractor tasked with managing the FAA NOTAM System.

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- GG. **Object Free Area:** A two-dimensional ground area surrounding runways, taxiways and taxilanes that is clear of objects except for objects whose location is fixed by function.
- HH. **Paragraph headings:** The paragraph headings contained herein are for convenience in reference and are not intended to define or limit the scope of any provision or article of these regulations.
- II. **Permit:** Agreement entered into for a service on the airport not involving leasing of Airport property.
- JJ. **Permittee:** A Person who has a permit with the Commission allowing said Person to provide a service for a fee on Commission property
- KK. **Person:** Shall refer to any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association, joint stock association, or political body, and includes any trustee, receiver, employee, assignee, agent, or similar representatives thereof.
- LL. **Premises:** That area granted a tenant to engage in activity at the Airport for which the tenant pays rents, commissions, or fees for such use.
- MM. **Public Safety Department:** Department designated by Commission to provide, police, fire, investigative and airport operations functions. The Department head will be designated the Public Safety Chief and report to the Airport Director.
- NN. **Public Safety Officer (PSO):** Individual under the employ of the Commission and under the supervision of the Public Safety Chief to carry out the functions of the Public Safety Department.
- OO. **Roadway:** Shall refer to any street or road whether improved or unimproved, within the boundaries of the Airport and designated for use by ground vehicles.
- PP. **Safety Areas:** The surface adjacent to runways, taxiways and taxilanes over which aircraft and emergency vehicles should in dry weather, be able to cross at normal operating speeds without incurring significant damage.
- QQ. **Secured Area:** Area designated by Airport where it must prevent and detect the unauthorized entry, presence, and movement of individuals and ground vehicles into and within area.
- RR. **SIDA:** Security Identification Display Area on the Airport where employees are required to display identification approved by the Airport at all time. Prerequisites for this area are listed in 14 CFR Part 1542, *Airport Security* and provided for in the most current edition of the ASP.
- SS. **Sterile Area:** Area of the terminal building use for holding screened passengers for boarding onto air service commercial aircraft.
- TT. **Taxilane:** The portion of the AOA, or any other area, used for access between taxiways and aircraft parking or storage area.

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- UU. **Taxiway:** A defined path established for the taxiing of aircraft from one part of the Airport to another.
- VV. **Tenant:** A Person who has an agreement, lease or permit with the Commission allowing said Person to make use of some area of the Airport for any reason.
- WW. **Terminal:** Shall refer to the either the main Passenger Terminal building or the General Aviation Terminal building (also known as Flightways Columbus). Both locations share the address of 3250 West Britt David Road, Columbus, GA
- XX. **Tower (ATCT):** Shall refer to FAA operated Air Traffic Control Tower located on the Airport.
- YY. **Transportation Security Administration (TSA):** Division of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) tasked with security of airports.
- ZZ. **Transportation Security Regulation (TSR):** Refers to regulations promulgated by the TSA in accordance with law.
- AAA. **Ultralight Aircraft:** Any aircraft meeting the standards outlined in 14 CFR Part 131.1.
- BBB. **Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS):** A powered, aerial vehicle that does not carry a human operator, uses aerodynamic forces to provide vehicle lift, can fly autonomously or be piloted remotely, can be expendable or recoverable, and can carry a payload.
- CCC. **Users:** All persons who are lawfully on the property of the Airport and engaged in lawful activities.
- DDD. **Vehicle Parking Area:** Any portion of the Airport designated and made available temporarily or permanently by the Commission for the parking of vehicles.
- EEE. **Warning Notices:** System of notice to advise airport users and tenants of violations of lease agreements or other Airport polices.