

NOTAMS Have Changed

Two major changes to NOTAMS became effective January 28th, 2008 as a result of FAA Notice 7930.85. First, the Civil "Local" NOTAMS began their transition to NOTAM D's. All civil local NOTAMS are being classified as NOTAM D's and are stored, numbered and distributed as NOTAM D's throughout the United States NOTAM System. Please note that this applies to new NOTAMS created after January 28th. "Local" NOTAMS created before that date will be phased out during the next 150 days. During this period, you will need to contact the FSS to obtain those Local NOTAMS that have not been converted.

New NOTAM D Keywords

All NOTAM D's will be classified with one of the following keywords identified in bold print. The list below shows the general classification term for each keyword:

AD - Aerodrome	AIRSPACE - Airspace
APRON - Apron	COM - Communications
NAV - NAVAID	OBST - Obstructions
RAMP - Ramp	RWY - Runway
SVC - Services	TWY - Taxiway
(O) - Other Aeronautical Information	
(U) - Unverified Movement Area	

Aerodrome "AD"

An Aerodrome is a defined area on land or water (including any buildings, installations, and equipment) intended to be used either wholly or in part for the arrival, departure and surface movement of aircraft. The NOTAM applies to any hazard to aircraft operations on or within 5 SM of an aerodrome which encompasses airport, heliport, helipad, and maneuvering area that are not covered under runways, taxiways, ramps, aprons, obstructions, NAVAIDs, services, communications or airspaces. For example:

!AOO 01/010 29D AD CLSD EXC PPR 0330-1430 MON-FRI

Airspace "AIRSPACE"

Applies to hazards associated with special use airspace, CARF, aircraft operations, aerial refueling, unmanned rockets, balloons, fireworks, parachute jumping/sky diving, and high altitude balloons. For example:

!BKW 01/011 BKW AIRSPACE PYROTECHNIC DEMO 1000/BLW 8 W .5 NMR AVOIDANCE ADZD WEF 0712312230-0712312300

Apron "APRON"/Ramp "RAMP"

An Apron/Ramp is a defined area, on a land aerodrome, intended to accommodate aircraft for purposes of loading or unloading passengers, mail or cargo, fueling, parking, or maintenance. The NOTAM applies to hazards associated with defined surface areas on an aerodrome. The terms ramp and apron are synonymous. For example:

!ATL 01/012 ATL APRON NORTH TWY L3 NORTH APRON CLSD

Communications "COM"

Applies to communication outlet commissioning, decommissioning, outage, unavailability, and ATC frequency status. For example:

!IPT 01/013 IPT COM VOR VOICE OTS

NAVAID "NAV"

Applies to navigation aid status such as VORs, ILS, WAAS, GPS, MLS, TACANs, NDBs, etc. For example:

!PNC 01/016 PER NAV VOR UNUSBL 045-060 BYD 20 BLW 2000

Obstructions "OBST"

Provides information about obstructions including obstruction lighting outages, moored balloons, kites, towers, cranes, stacks, etc. The NOTAM may be used to identify obstruction light outages within a 5-statute mile (4.3 nautical miles) radius of an airport or obstruction light outages outside a 5-statute mile radius that exceed 200 feet above ground level (AGL). Examples are:

!MIV 01/019 N52 OBST TOWER 580(305 AGL)7 SW LGTS OTS(ASR NUMBER)TIL 0712302300

!PIE 01/020 CLW OBST CRANE 195(125 AGL) .25 NE(2755N08241W)TIL 0711032000

Runway "RWY"

Applies to landing, take-off surfaces, associated lighting and signage.

!STL 01/021 STL RWY 12L/30R CLSD EXC TXG

!LEX 01/022 LEX RWY 5 REIL OTS

Services "SVC"

Applies to facilities and services. Examples:

!MIV 01/027 MIV SVC FUEL UNAVBL TIL 0709301600

!SHD 01/ 028 SHD SVC TWR 1215-0300 MON-FRI/1430-2300 SAT/1600-0100/SUN TIL 0709170100

Taxiway "TWY"

Conditions pertaining to single or multiple taxiways. The NOTAM will use runway format, identifying each taxiway by letter or letter/number as assigned, separated by commas, or specify "all". If not identified, it will describe as adjacent to a runway or direction from the runway. Examples are:

!LNS 01/031 LNS TWY A LGTS OTS

!RDU 01/033 RDU TWY A CLSD BTWN A1, A2 TIL 0707011600

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Other Aeronautical Information “(O)”

Applies to aeronautical information received from any authorized source that may be beneficial to aircraft operations and does not meet defined NOTAM criteria. Examples:

!LOZ 01/018 LOZ (O) CONTROLLED BURN OF HOUSE 8 NE APCH
END RWY 23 WEF 0710211300-0710211700

Unverified Aeronautical Information “(U)”

These NOTAMS will contain conditions pertaining to movement areas or other information received that meets NOTAM criteria and has not been confirmed by the Airport Manager (AMGR) or their designee. The NOTAM will be prefaced with “(U)” as the keyword and followed by the appropriate keyword contraction, as set forth in this Policy, following the Location Identifier.

!ORT 01/032 6K8 (U) RWY ABANDONED VEHICLE

Other Notes on NOTAMS

Dual Use of Keywords

Some NOTAMS may have Dual Keywords. In these cases, the keyword is associated with the outage or the event being reported. For example:

!ATL 01/034 ATL NAV RWY 8L ILS CAT 2 NA
!BWI 01/035 BWI SVC RWY 10 RVRR OTS
!PRC 01/036 SJN RWY 13/31 NOW RWY 14/32

Some NOTAMS may contain PAEW, which stands for “Personnel and Equipment Working”. Although it is not a keyword, any NOTAM containing PAEW, will be associated with RWY, TWY, RAMP, or APRON and a direction from the associated Movement Area, as appropriate. For example:

!CHO 01/037 CHO RWY 23 PAEW FIRST 500 ALONG SE SIDE
!SBY 01/038 SBY TWY E PAEW SOUTH SIDE BTN RWY 5/TWY G
!MEM 01/039 MEM RAMP PAEW FEDEX CARGO RAMP EAST SIDE

Pointer NOTAMS

A pointer NOTAM is a type of D NOTAM that points to another NOTAM, which includes D, FDC, or published NOTAMS. Pointer NOTAMS shall use the keyword associated with the affected

event with the reference NOTAM. For Example:

!CPR 01/040 CPR AIRSPACE SEE DDY 12/045 PJE WEF
0712141400-0712141830

Upcoming DUATS NOTAM Display and Selection Improvements

CSC DUATS will be phasing in several improvements as a result of the changes to the NOTAMS. In the first phase you will see all the NOTAMS with their new keywords, but they will be presented in the same order as you would expect to see NOTAM D’s in any of our briefings.

In the second phase, you will see the NOTAM D’s grouped by their keywords. Each group will be clearly identified by keyword titles. If you are requesting any type of route briefing, the NOTAMS will be presented in order from departure to destination under each keyword title section. In the final phase, CSC DUATS will allow you to select, by keyword, the NOTAMS you want to see for each type of briefing. For safety and convenience, CSC DUATS will always show the recommended selections for each type of briefing, but will allow you to customize the briefing to your specific needs.

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2. Make sure you are running Windows XP SP2 or later.
3. Then use your Web browser to go to www.flightprep.com
4. From the blue menu on the left, select “Downloads” > “GoldenEagle FlightPrep”
5. Scroll to the bottom of the page and select “Download Golden Eagle 2007 UPDATE”

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