

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

FLIGHT ADVISORY National Special Security Event 2023 State of the Union Address February 7, 2023



At the request of the Department of Homeland Security, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will issue Temporary Flight Restrictions (TFR) for the 2023 State of the Union Address in Washington, D.C. As part of the airspace security measures for the event, the FAA will be modifying Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area Special Flight Rules Area (DC SFRA) and Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area Flight Restricted Zone (DC FRZ) restrictions on February 7, 2023 from 2000-2300 EST. The NOTAM will be published no later than **January 31, 2023**.

Under the authority granted by 49 USC, the FAA may apply restrictions within airspace under its jurisdiction. Any person who knowingly and willingly violates these restrictions may be subject to certain criminal and/or civil penalties. Pilots who violate security TFRs or procedures may be intercepted, detained and interviewed by Law Enforcement/Security Personnel. They may also be subject to the following actions:

- 1. The FAA may take administrative action, including imposing civil penalties and the suspension or revocation of airmen certificates;
- 2. The United States Government may pursue criminal charges, including charges under Title 49 of the United States Code, Section 46307;
- 3. The United States Government may use deadly force against the airborne aircraft, if it is determined that the aircraft poses an imminent security threat.

Additional DC SFRA Restrictions:

- 1. DOD, Law Enforcement and Air Ambulance operations approved by the Air Security Operations Center (ASOC) **are authorized** within the DC SFRA.
- Part 135 and Part 91 aircraft on an active IFR flight plan are authorized to land or depart Dulles International Airport (IAD), Baltimore Washington International Airport (BWI) and Manassas Regional/Davis Airport (HEF) ONLY.

- 3. Part 135 and Part 91 IFR/VFR flights are not authorized to transit through the DC SFRA, with the exception of IFR aircraft landing BWI, IAD or HEF.
- 4. The provisions of 14 CFR 93.345 which authorize ingress/egress procedures for the following airports are suspended during the time of this NOTAM:
 - a. Barnes (MD47)
 - b. Flying M Farms (MD77)
 - c. Mountain Road (MD43)
 - d. Robinson (MD14)
 - e. Skyview (51VA)
- 5. The provisions of Letters of Agreement which authorize egress procedures from Maples Field (VG57) and Goose Hunt Farm (3VA5) are suspended during the time of this NOTAM.
- 6. The provisions 14 CFR Part 93.339 which authorize VFR traffic pattern operations at SFRA airports are suspended during the time of this NOTAM.
- 7. The provisions of FDC NOTAM 0/3929, which authorize ingress/egress procedures for Leesburg Airport (JYO) are suspended during the time of this NOTAM.
- 8. The provisions of FDC NOTAM 9/1811, UAS operations in the DC SFRA are suspended during this NOTAM.

Additional DC FRZ Restrictions:

- 1. DOD, Law Enforcement and Air Ambulance operations approved by the ASOC **are authorized** within the DC FRZ. Only lifesaving or national security operations will be permitted within Zone one, Zone two, or in the vicinity of Helicopter Route One between Cabin John and Greenbelt.
- Operations to or from Joint Base Andrews (ADW) or Davison Army Airfield (DAA) must coordinate with and receive approval from the ASOC. An airport Prior Permission Required (PPR) does not authorize flight within the DC FRZ.
- 3. Only authorized CFR Part 121 and Part 129, regularly scheduled commercial passenger carriers, operating under a Transportation Security Administration Aircraft Operator Standard Security Program (AOSSP), Full All Cargo Aircraft Operator Standard Security Program (FACAOSSP) or Model Security Program (MSP) **are authorized** to operate into and out of Washington Reagan National Airport (DCA) in the DC FRZ.
- 4. Foreign aircraft issued a Department of State diplomatic clearance are authorized to land or depart Joint Base Andrews (KADW) ONLY.

5. The provisions of FDC NOTAM 0/0053 and 14 CFR Part 93, which authorize operations at the Maryland 3 airports known as Potomac Airfield (VKX) and College Park Airport (CGS), are suspended during the time of this NOTAM.

In addition to ASOC approval, all aircraft operators within the DC SFRA and DC FRZ shall:

- 1. Be on an active IFR flight plan, unless aircraft is locally based with a Potomac TRACON pre-assigned beacon code may operate VFR.
- 2. Have a discrete transponder code assigned by ATC.
- 3. Remain in continuous two-way communications with ATC.

Prohibited Operations within the DC SFRA and DC FRZ:

- Model Aircraft, Unmanned Aircraft (UAS), Aerobatic Maneuvers, Glider Operations, Parachute Operations, Ultralights, Lighter than Air/Balloon/Moored Balloon, Agricultural/Crop Dusting/Spraying, Animal Population Control, Banner Towing, Utility/Pipeline Patrols, Aircraft/Helicopters operating from a ship or private/corporate yacht, Model Rockets, or Maintenance Flights. Flight Training/Practice Approaches are prohibited – including DOD, Law Enforcement and Air Ambulance.
- 2. Additionally, all flight waivers to operate within the DC SFRA and DC FRZ will be temporarily suspended during the time of this NOTAM, except waivers beginning with LEA, LFG, ELO, GOV or SPO.

The NOTAM discussed in this advisory may change with little or no notice. Pilots are advised to check NOTAMs frequently for possible changes prior to operations in the area. Pilots are strongly advised to contact a Flight Service Station at 1-800-WX- BRIEF (1-800-992-7433) prior to flight to check for all current NOTAMS.

Required approval to operate in the DC SFRA and DC FRZ can be obtained from the ASOC at **866-598-9524**. Coordination calls will not be accepted more than 48 hours in advance of the NOTAM effective time. The FAA point of contact for the 2023 State of the Union Address is the National Capital Region Coordination Center (NCRCC), who may be reached at <u>9-ATO-NCRCC@FAA.GOV</u> or 866-598-9522.