

subject to the requirements of this AD. For engines that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Required as indicated, unless already done.

To prevent blade root lag screw failure, which could result in propeller blade separation and loss of control of the airplane, do the following:

(a) For propellers with Torx head blade root lag screws, P/N A-549-85 (3mm thread pitch), inspect Torx head blade root lag screws for torque values and breakage in accordance with MT-Propeller Entwicklung GMBH Service Bulletin (SB) No. 17-A, dated March 5, 1999, as follows:

(1) Initially inspect within 50 hours time-in-service (TIS), or within two months after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first.

(2) Thereafter, inspect at intervals not to exceed 100 hours TIS, or within 12 months, whichever occurs first.

(3) Before further flight, if any lag screws are found broken or with torque less than 64 foot-pounds, replace all lag screws with new lag screws.

(b) For propellers with lag screws, P/N A-550-85 (4mm thread pitch), inspect lag screws for torque values and breakage in accordance with MT-Propeller Entwicklung GMBH SB No. 17-A, dated March 5, 1999, as follows:

(1) Inspect within 50 hours TIS, or within two months after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs first.

(2) Before further flight, if any lag screws are found broken or with torque less than 64 foot-pounds, replace all lag screws with improved, hexagonal head blade root lag screws, P/N A-983-85. Torque screws to 58-60 foot-pounds.

(c) Replace lag screws, P/N A-550-85, within 100 hours TIS, or within 12 months after the effective date of this AD, with lag screws, P/N A-983-85, in accordance with MT-Propeller Entwicklung GMBH SB No. 17-A, dated March 5, 1999. Torque screws to 58-60 foot-pounds.

#### Alternative Methods of Compliance

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Boston Aircraft Certification Office. Operators must submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Boston Aircraft Certification Office.

**Note 2:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Boston Aircraft Certification Office.

#### Special Flight Permits

(e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with §§ 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be done.

#### Documents That Have Been Incorporated by Reference

(f) The actions must be done in accordance with MT-Propeller Entwicklung GMBH service bulletin: 17A, dated March 5, 1999.

The incorporation by reference of MT-Propeller Entwicklung GMBH service bulletin: 17A, dated March 5, 1999, was approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of July 23, 1999 (64 FR 36777, July 8, 1999). Copies may be obtained from MT-Propeller Entwicklung GMBH, Airport Straubing-Wallmühle, D-94348 Atting, Germany; telephone (0 94 29) 84 33, fax (0 94 29) 84 32, Internet address: [propeller@aol.com](mailto:propeller@aol.com). Copies may be inspected at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC.

#### Effective Date

(g) This amendment becomes effective on December 30, 2002.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on November 8, 2002.

**Francis A. Favara,**

*Acting Manager, Engine and Propeller Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 02-AEA-13]

#### Establishment of Class D Airspace; Rome, NY

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action establishes Class D airspace at Griffiss Airpark, Rome, NY. This action is necessary to insure continuous altitude coverage for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations to the airport. The area would be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 UTC March 20, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Francis Jordan, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AEA-520, Air Traffic Division, Eastern Region, Federal

Aviation Administration, 1 Aviation Plaza, Jamaica, New York 11434-4809, telephone: (718) 553-4521.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### History

On September 27, 2002 a notice proposing to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) by establishing Class D airspace upward from the surface to and including 3,200 feet mean sea level (MSL) at Griffiss Airpark, Rome, NY was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 61045). Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments to the proposal were received. The rule is adopted as proposed. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class D airspace area designations for airspace extending upward from the surface are published in Paragraph 5000 of FAA Order 7400.9K, dated August 30, 2003 and effective September 16, 2002. The Class D airspace designation listed in this document will be published in the order.

#### The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) establishes Class D airspace from the surface of the earth to and including 3,200 feet MSL within a 4 mile radius of the airport for aircraft conducting IFR operations at Griffiss Airpark, Rome, NY.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this regulation: (1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation it is certified that this rule will not have significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

#### List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

**Adoption of the Amendment**

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

**PART 71—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR part 71 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; EO 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9K, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, dated August 30, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, is amended as follows:

*Paragraph 5000 Class D airspace areas extending upward from the surface of the earth*

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**AEA NY D Rome, NY [NEW]**

Griffiss Airpark, Rome, NY

(Lat. 43°14'02" N., long. 75°24'25" W.)

Oneida County Airport, Utica, NY

(Lat. 43°08'43" N., long. 75°23'02" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 3,200 feet MSL within a 4-mile radius of Griffiss Airpark excluding the portion within the 4.2-mile radius of Oneida County Airport Class D airspace area. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance by Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Director.

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Issued in Jamaica, New York on November 7, 2002.

**F.D. Hatfield,**

*Manager, Air Traffic Division, Eastern Region.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR 71**

[Docket No. FAA–2002–13820; Airspace  
Docket No. 02–AGL–11]

**Modification of Class E Airspace; Flint, MI**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action modifies Class E airspace at Flint, MI. Area Navigation (RNAV) Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPS) to several Runways (RWYS) have been developed for Prices Airport, Linden, MI. Controlled airspace

extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing these approaches. This action increases the area of existing controlled airspace at Bishop International Airport.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 UTC, January 23, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Denis C. Burke, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, AGL–520, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018, telephone (847) 294–7568.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****History**

On Friday, August 16, 2002, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 to modify Class E airspace at Flint, MI (67 FR 53534). The proposal was to modify existing Class E airspace at Bishop International Airport, MI, in order to protect for several new RNAV SIAPS.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments objecting to the proposal were received. Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9K dated August 30, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

**The Rule**

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 modifies Class E airspace at Flint, MI, by increasing the radius of controlled airspace around the Prices Airport. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing instrument approach procedures. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an establishment body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore this, regulation—(1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a “significant rule” under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule will not have

a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

**List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71**

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

**Adoption of the Amendment**

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

**PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS**

1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

**§71.1 [Amended]**

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9K, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, dated August 30, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, is amended as follows:

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*Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.*

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**AGL MI E5 Flint, MI [Revised]**

Flint, Bishop International Airport, MI

(Lat. 42°57'56" N., long. 83°44'36" W.)

Owosso Community Airport, MI

(Lat. 42°59'35" N., long. 84°08'20" W.)

Davison, Athelone Williams Memorial Airport, MI

(Lat. 43°01'45" N., long. 83°31'47" W.)

Linden, Prices Airport, MI

(Lat. 42°48'27" N., long. 83°46'25" W.)

PETLI LOM

(Lat. 42°58'05" N., long. 83°53'25" W.)

Grand Blanc, Genesys Regional Medical Center, MI

Point in Space Coordinates

(Lat. 42°52'59" N., long. 83°39'05" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 10.5-mile radius of the Bishop International Airport, and within 4.4 miles north and 7 miles south of the Flint ILS localizer west course, extending from the 10.5-mile radius area to 10.5-miles west of the PETLI LOM, and within a 6.4-mile radius of the Owosso Community Airport, and within a 6.4-mile radius of the Prices Airport, and within a 6.3-mile radius of the Athelone Williams Memorial Airport, and within a 6-mile radius of the Point in Space serving the Genesys