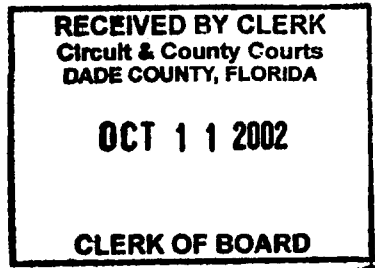


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OPERATIONAL DIRECTIVE NO. 93-53
Amended: October 11, 2002
Effective: October 26, 2002

SUBJECT: RADIO CALL SIGNS FOR AIRCRAFT TUGS

PURPOSE: To implement a system designating radio call signs for tugs relocating aircraft on the Aircraft Operations Area (AOA) at Miami International Airport (MIA)

I. AUTHORITY:

[Miami-Dade County Code, Chapter 25, Aviation Department Rules and Regulations.](#)

II. POLICY:

- A. Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD) has created a four-digit identifier system to be referred to as the Tug Call Sign for tugs relocating aircraft on the AOA.
- B. All radio transmissions for aircraft towing operations must be done on the proper ground control frequency and only by employees certified with Movement Area Drivers' Training.
- C. Tug operators are responsible for ground control radio transmissions and monitoring the radio frequency.

III. RADIO CALL SIGNS FOR AIRCRAFT TUGS:

- A. Tug operators relocating aircraft will receive a list of pre-assigned identifiers (four digits) for each individual tug. (*Regular pushback operations must use the flight numbers as the call sign*).
- B. These identifiers must be assigned in a sequenced format according to the category in which each company is placed (e.g. airlines, service companies, FAA repair stations, etc.).

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- C. Pre-assigned identifiers for aircraft relocations must be placed on the dashboard of the tugs, as assigned, in such a way that the identifier is clearly visible to the tug operator at all times. The Department will not give out placards.
- D. Tug operators will identify themselves in radio calls by using both company name and equipment identifier, (e.g. Federal Express Tug 2321).
- E. Operators not using pre-assigned identifiers in the movement areas as directed could have their AOA towing privileges revoked by MDAD.
- F. Any addition or deletion of aircraft tugging equipment must be reported to the Airside Safety Agent in a timely manner in order to keep the system current at all times.
- G. The FAA Ground Controllers must receive a list of all identifiers in order to facilitate the identification of tugs on the AOA.

IV. EFFECTIVE DATE:

This OD amends the original issued on July 5, 1993. The amended document will become effective 15 days subsequent to its being filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

V. AMENDMENTS:

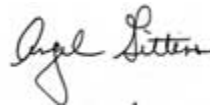
The Department reserves the right to amend ODs at any time and from time to time. Amendments will be published on the Internet at <http://www.miami-airport.com> and mailed to affected parties.

VI. SEVERABILITY:

If any court of competent jurisdiction determines that a provision in this OD is illegal or void, the remainder of this OD shall continue in full force and effect.

REVOCATION: OD 93-53 Radio Call Signs for Aircraft Tugs, effective July 5, 1993.

CROSS REFERENCE: None.



Angela Gittens, Aviation Director

Date: October 11, 2002