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Chapter 1. Introduction

1-1. Purpose

These are guidelines for airport authorities, aircraft operators, and ground handling agents to help develop rules or regulations for driving on the ramp or apron. The airport authority should take lead in developing the program that deals with driving on the ramp/apron to assure consistency. The aircraft operators or ground handling vendors will train employees on the specific equipment and operating around aircraft

1-2. Scope of This Document

This document is designed to help airport authorities, aircraft operators, and ground handling vendors develop programs to promote safe driving on the ramp or apron. The program should include driver requirements, formal and hands on training, driving rules, licensing, and enforcement.

1-3. Aviation Terminology

Aviation terminology needs to be clearly explained as many new employees may have no experience working at an airport and are not familiar with aviation terminology.

1-3-1. Airport Operation Area (AOA)

Nonpublic area within airport boundaries. AOA usually has controlled access, requiring airport ID badges or escorts for access and movement in area.

1-3-2. Best Practice

A way of performing a task or accomplishing an objective that is considered the best by industry consensus when compared to the many ways of doing it.

1-3-3. Ground Support Equipment (GSE)

Vehicles and equipment that are used to support the operation of aircraft.

1-3-4. Guide Person

Person used to direct the driver to ensure clearance when positioning equipment to or removing equipment from aircraft in congested areas.