

ICAO REQUIREMENTS FOR ATS **CONTINGENCY PLANNING**

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2.32 Contingency arrangements

Air traffic services authorities shall develop and promulgate contingency plans for implementation in the event of disruption, or potential disruption, of air traffic services and related supporting services in the airspace for which they are responsible for the provision of such services. Such contingency plans shall be developed with the assistance of ICAO as necessary, in close coordination with the air traffic services authorities responsible for the provision of services in adjacent portions of airspace and with airspace users concerned.

Note 1.— Guidance material relating to the development, promulgation and implementation of contingency plans is contained in Attachment C.

Note 2.— Contingency plans may constitute a temporary deviation from the approved regional air navigation plans; such deviations are approved, as necessary, by the President of the ICAO Council on behalf of the Council.



ATTACHMENT C. Material relating to contingency planning

Key points to consider

- Contingency plans are intended to provide alternative facilities and services to those provided for in the regional air navigation plan when those facilities and services are temporarily not available.
- The State(s) responsible for providing air traffic services and related supporting services in particular portions of airspace is (are) also responsible, in the event of disruption or potential disruption of these services, for instituting measures to ensure the safety of international civil aviation operations and, where possible, for making provisions for alternative facilities and services.
- Timely introduction of contingency arrangements requires decisive initiative and action, which again presupposes that contingency plans have, as far as practicable, been completed and agreed among the parties concerned before the occurrence of the event requiring contingency action, including the manner and timing of promulgating such arrangements.



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Possible contingency actions

- re-routing of traffic to avoid the whole or part of the airspace concerned, normally involving establishment of additional routes or route segments with associated conditions for their use;
- establishment of a simplified route network through the airspace concerned, if it is available, together with a flight level allocation scheme to ensure lateral and vertical separation, and a procedure for adjacent area control centres to establish longitudinal separation at the entry point and to maintain such separation through the airspace;
- reassignment of responsibility for providing air traffic services in airspace over the high seas or in delegated airspace.

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Role of ICAO/ICAO Regional Offices

- Monitor/support the development of contingency plans, as required.
- Initiate and coordinate appropriate contingency action if for some reason, the authorities cannot adequately discharge the responsibility.
- Be available for monitoring developments that might lead to events requiring contingency arrangements to be developed and applied and will, as necessary, assist in the development and application of such arrangements.
- Monitor continuously information from all relevant sources, and to exchange up-to-date information with States directly concerned and States which are potential participants in contingency arrangements.
- States which anticipate or experience disruption of air traffic services and/or related supporting services should advise, as early as practicable, the ICAO Regional Office accredited to them, and other States whose services might be affected. Such advice should include information on associated contingency measures or a request for assistance in formulating contingency plans.



Regional Agreements

GREPECAS Action Plan for the Development of ATM Contingency Plans



Development of ATM Contingency Plans



Harmonization of ATM Contingency Plans

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States	Latest Version
Antigua and Barbuda	May 2020
Bahamas	It has not been submitted yet
Barbados	It has not been submitted yet
Belize	June 2020
Canada	It has not been submitted yet
Costa Rica	October 2020
Cuba	August 2019
Dominica	It has not been submitted yet
Dominican Republic	June 2020
El Salvador	August 2020
Grenada	It has not been submitted yet
Guatemala	July 2020
Haiti	October 2019
Honduras	August 2020
Jamaica	April 2020
Mexico	July 2020
Nicaragua	June 2020
Saint Kitts and Nevis	It has not been submitted yet
Saint Lucia	September 2019
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	May 2020
Trinidad and Tobago	June 2019
United States	It has not been submitted yet



Submission of ATM contingency plans to the ICAO Regional Offices

Regional Agreements

CAR Region ATM Contingency Plan

Background

• 2017 contingency scenarios

Objectives

The Plan is structured to provide:

- regional ATM contingency planning elements;
- linkage with other regional planning schemes;
- guidelines for ATM contingency planning;
- guidelines for regional coordination to respond to contingencies;
- considerations for research and future development; and
- milestones, timelines, priorities and actions.

CAR CERT

- Enhance and expedite individual and regional response to contingencies or possible contingencies scenarios that may affect the ATS and all other activities related to ensuring that air transport operations can be maintained to provide continual ATS provision in the CAR Region, identifying threats and communicating possible solutions.
 - Support the exchange of information between States, Territories, International Organizations, industry, and other relevant stakeholders, to improve the regional response to contingencies that affect or may affect the adequate evolution of air traffic and all air transport issues in the CAR Region.



CAR REGION AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CONTINGENCY PLAN

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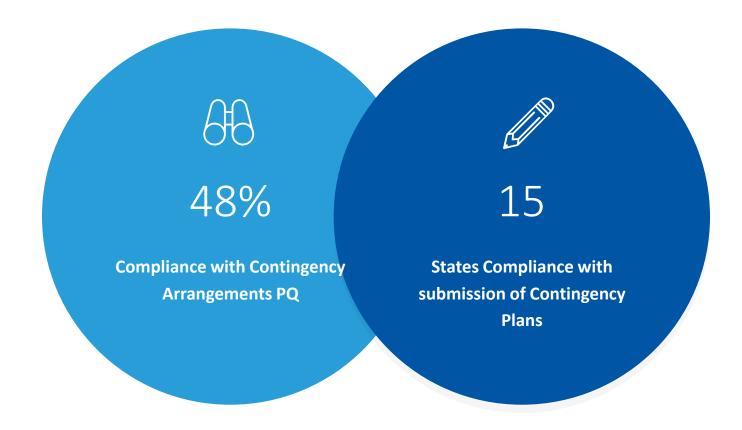
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Current Situation





Analysis



Annex 11 assigns specific responsibilities to the ICAO Regional Offices, whose resources are available to States whenever they require them

Compliance with the Annex 11 requirements and GREPECAS Regional Agreements for contingency planning continues to be a challenge for several States.

Follow up and monitoring regional agreements for contingency planning is a tool that should continue to enhance compliance to the ICAO SARPs









Thank You!