

# Amendment 1 to International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Doc 4444:

## Conversion of FPLs from **NEW** to **PRESENT**

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# Overview

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# Implementation of Guideline 6

- During transition, ANSPs who accept **NEW** need to convert flight information to **PRESENT** for coordination with adjacent ANSPs that have not yet transitioned
- Strongly recommended ANSPs utilize same conversion table so airspace users & ANSPs have a common understanding of how **NEW** is converted to **PRESENT**
- No intent for **PRESENT** to be converted to **NEW** during or after transition

# Determining if FPL is **PRESENT** or **NEW**

- Automation, or manual review of the FPL, must first determine whether **NEW** or **PRESENT** format FPL has been received
  - If **NEW**, conversion table is applied
- This determination is simple if FPL is filed prior to accepting **NEW** → assume **PRESENT**
- Equally simple after November 15, 2012 → assume **NEW**

# Determination Once ANSP Accepts **NEW**

- Assume **PRESENT** if any of the following is filed:
  - Field 10a: “E”, “J”, “M”, or “P”
  - Field 10b: “D”
  - Item 18: “STS/” entry used that is not on allowed list for **NEW**
  - Item 18: “PER/” entry that is
    - More than a single letter, or
    - A letter not allowed in ICAO DOC 8168, Volume 1

# Determination Once ANSP Accepts **NEW**

- Assume **NEW** if any of the following filed:
  - Field 10a: Numeric character, “A” or “B”
  - Field 10b:
    - “E”, “H” or “L”
    - Numeric character, or
    - More than 2 characters
  - Item 18: Indicators “**PBN/**”, “**SUR/**”, “**DLE/**” or “**TALT/**”

# Determination Once ANSP Accepts **NEW**

- If filed data contains formats which are both **PRESENT** & **NEW**
  - FPL is inconsistent
  - FPL should be rejected or handled in accordance with current procedures

# “PBN/” Consistency Check

- **NEW** “PBN/” contains information on navigational capability & equipment
- Possible to file inconsistent “PBN/” information in **NEW** Field 10a & Item 18
- Therefore a consistency check is recommended for **NEW** FPLs



# “PBN/” Consistency Check

If <b>NEW</b> Item 18 contains	then	<b>NEW</b> Field 10a must contain
B1, B2, C1, C2, D1, D3, O1 or O2		<b>G</b>
B1, B3, C1, C3, D1, D3, O1 or O3		<b>D</b>
B1 or B4		<b>(O or S) &amp; D</b> <b>(“OD” or “SD”)</b>
B1, B5, or C1		<b>I</b>
C1, C4, D1, D4, O1, or O4		<b>D &amp; I</b>

# Conversion Table

- Objective:** Develop common conversion approach which is consistent & acceptable to all affected ANSPs in order to harmonize global implementation
- Table developed through iterative work with multiple regional Task Forces
    - CAR/SAM, NAM, APAC, EUR/EUROCONTROL, MID
  - If the table shows data in the “**PRESENT** Item 18” column, one or more ANSPs need this information for their operations
  - Some variations will exist due to regional requirements
  - It is critical to coordinate with your neighboring ANSPs

# Conversion Table

Fields 10a & 10b Qualifiers & Item 18 Indicators filed in **NEW**

NAV/COM <b>10a</b>		NEW Item 18		<b>PRESENT</b> Item 18	
N		N		N	No Conversion
S		S		S	No Conversion
SF		SF		SF	

No conversion required for those shaded in blue

Converted to **PRESENT** Fields 10a & 10b plus Item 18 indicator & data

# Conversion Table

- Separate chart also provided
  - Details rationale for each conversion
  - Notes any additional comments

NEW Item		PRESENT Item		<i>Rationale for translation</i>	<i>Comments</i>
10 a	18	10a	18		
N		N		No Conversion	
S		S		No Conversion	IF <u>all</u> ANSPs direct filers to file "SF" beginning 1 April <b>OTHERWISE</b> <u>all</u> ANSPs must convert to VOL
A		Z	NAV/GBAS	There is no equivalent to GBAS in present. Add notation in Item 18.	
B		Z	NAV/LPV	There is no equivalent to LPB in present. Add notation in Item 18.	

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “S”

- **PRESENT** “S” (standard equipment): VHF RTF, **ADF**, VOR & ILS
- User must file **NEW** “F” to indicate ADF
- **ANSPs should advise users that definition of “S” will change on 1 April 2012** (i.e., “S” = “VOL”)
  - Otherwise, **NEW** “S” would translate to **PRESENT** “VOL”

NAV/COM	NEW	PRESENT	
10a	Item 18	10a	Item 18
S		S	<b>NO CONVERSION IF</b> <u>all</u> ANSPs direct filers to file “SF” beginning 1 April <b>OTHERWISE</b> <u>all</u> ANSPs must convert to VOL

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “A” & “B”

- “A” & “B” are not allocated in **PRESENT**
- **NEW** “A” converts to **PRESENT** “Z” & “NAV/GBAS” in Item 18

*(Ground Based Augmentation System)*

- **NEW** “B” converts to **PRESENT** “Z” & “NAV/LPV” in Item 18

*(Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance)*

NAV/COM		NEW		PRESENT	
10a		Item 18		10a	
Item 18		Item 18		Item 18	
A		Z		NAV/GBAS	
B		Z		NAV/LPV	

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “E1” “E2” “E3”

- No letter for ACARS in **PRESENT**
- **NEW** “E1”, “E2” & “E3” convert to **PRESENT** “Z” & “COM/” with appropriate text in Item 18

<b>NAV/COM</b>		<b>PRESENT</b>	
<b>NEW</b>		<b>PRESENT</b>	
<b>10a</b>	<b>Item 18</b>	<b>10a</b>	<b>Item 18</b>
E1		Z	COM/FMC WPR ACARS E1
E2		Z	COM/DFIS ACARS E2
E3		Z	COM/PDC ACARS E3

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “J1” through “J7”

- Data link type not differentiated in **PRESENT** Field 10a
  - Filed as “DAT/” in **PRESENT** Item 18
- **NEW** “J1” – “J7” convert to **PRESENT** “J” & “DAT/” with “V”, “H”, or “S” in Item 18

NAV/COM		NEW		PRESENT			
10a		Item 18		10a		Item 18	
J1		J		J	DAT/V J1		
J2		J		J	DAT/H J2		
J3		J		J	DAT/V J3		
J4		J		J	DAT/V J4		
J5		J		J	DAT/S J5		
J6		J		J	DAT/S J6		
J7		J		J	DAT/S J7		



# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “M1” “M2” “M3”

- “M” means Omega in **PRESENT**
- In **NEW**, “M1”, “M2” & “M3” indicate satellite RTF communications capabilities
- **NEW** “M1” – “M3” convert to **PRESENT** “Z” & “COM/” with appropriate text in Item 18

<b>NAV/COM</b>		<b>PRESENT</b>	
<b>NEW</b>		<b>PRESENT</b>	
<b>10a</b>	<b>Item 18</b>	<b>10a</b>	<b>Item 18</b>
M1		Z	COM/INMARSAT M1
M2		Z	COM/MTSAT M2
M3		Z	COM/IRIDIUM M3

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “P1” through “P9”

- “P” is not allocated in **PRESENT**
- In **NEW**, “P1” – “P9” are reserved for RCP  
*(Required Communication Performance)*
- **NEW** “P1” – “P9” should be removed & no conversion entry made in **PRESENT** Field 10a

NAV/COM		NEW		PRESENT	
10a		Item 18		10a	
Item 18		Item 18		Item 18	
P1-P9		RESERVED for RCP			

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “R”

- Oceanic “RNP10” actually an RNAV standard
  - Some ANSPs also accept **PRESENT** “RNAV10”
- **NEW** “R” with “PBN/” converts to **PRESENT** “RZ” & “NAV/” with text in Item 18 as follows:

NAV/COM		NEW	PRESENT	
10a		Item 18	10a	Item 18
R		PBN/A1	RZ	NAV/RNAV10 RNP10 A1
R		PBN/B1	RZ	NAV/RNAV5 B1
R		PBN/B2	RZ	NAV/RNAV5 B2
R		PBN/B3	RZ	NAV/RNAV5 B3
R		PBN/B4	RZ	NAV/RNAV5 B4
R		PBN/B5	RZ	NAV/RNAV5 B5
R		PBN/B6	RZ	NAV/RNAV5 B6
R		PBN/C1	RZ	NAV/RNAV2 C1
R		PBN/C2	RZ	NAV/RNAV2 C2
R		PBN/C3	RZ	NAV/RNAV2 C3
R		PBN/C4	RZ	NAV/RNAV2 C4

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “R”

- No letter for RNAV in **PRESENT**
- Although “P” is not allocated in **PRESENT**, EUROCONTROL uses “P” to indicate precision RNAV
- **NEW** “R” with “PBN/” converts to **PRESENT** “**P**PRZ” & “NAV/” with text in Item 18 as follows:

NAV/COM		NEW	PRESENT	
10a		Item 18	10a	Item 18
R		PBN/D1	PRZ	NAV/RNAV1 D1
R		PBN/D2	PRZ	NAV/RNAV1 D2
R		PBN/D3	PRZ	NAV/RNAV1 D3
R		PBN/D4	PRZ	NAV/RNAV1 D4

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “R”

- EUROCONTROL uses “P” to indicate precision RNAV
- **NEW** “R” with “PBN/” converts to **PRESENT** “RZ” & “NAV/” –or– “**P**PRZ” & “NAV/” with text in Item 18 as follows:

NAV/COM		NEW	PRESENT	
10a		Item 18	10a	Item 18
R		PBN/L1	RZ	NAV/RNP4 L1
R		PBN/O1	PRZ	NAV/RNP1 O1
R		PBN/O2	PRZ	NAV/RNP1 O2
R		PBN/O3	PRZ	NAV/RNP1 O3
R		PBN/O4	PRZ	NAV/RNP1 O4

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “R”

- **NEW** “R” with “PBN/” converts to **PRESENT** “RZ” & “NAV/” with text in Item 18 for approach capability as follows:

<b>NAV/COM</b> <b>10a</b>	<b>NEW</b> <b>Item 18</b>	<b>10a</b>	<b>PRESENT</b> <b>Item 18</b>
R	PBN/S1	RZ	NAV/RNP APRCH S1
R	PBN/S2	RZ	NAV/RNP APRCH BARO VNAV S2
R	PBN/T1	RZ	NAV/RNP AR APRCH RF T1
R	PBN/T2	RZ	NAV/RNP AR APRCH T2

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10a - “Z” with “DAT/”

- **PRESENT** Field 10a “Z” points to “COM/” &/or “NAV/”
- Data link capability filed as **PRESENT** “DAT/” with “S”, “H”, “V” &/or “M” in Item 18
- **NEW** Field 10a “Z” points to “COM/”, “NAV/” &/or “DAT/”
- Data link capability filed as **NEW** “J1” – “J7” in Field 10a
  - “Z” & “DAT/” only filed for capability not in Field 10a
- **NEW** “Z” & “DAT/” converts to **PRESENT** “Z” & “COM/” with text

NAV/COM		NEW		PRESENT	
10a		Item 18		10a	
Z		DAT/nnnn		Z	COM/nnnn

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10b - “E”

- **NEW** “E”: Mode S, including aircraft identification, pressure-altitude & extended squitter (ADS-B) capability
- **PRESENT**:
  - “S”: Mode S, including both pressure-altitude & aircraft identification transmission
  - “D”: ADS capability
- **NEW** “E” converts to **PRESENT** “SD”

<b>SUR</b>		<b>PRESENT</b>	
<i>10b</i>	<i>Item 18</i>	<i>10b</i>	<i>Item 18</i>
E		SD	COM/E

**NOTE:** EUROCONTROL will convert **NEW** "E" to **PRESENT** "SD" plus "COM/E"



# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10b - “H”

- **NEW** “H” is equivalent to a **PRESENT** “S” plus capabilities not relevant in **PRESENT**
- **NEW** “H” converts to **PRESENT** “S”

SUR		NEW		PRESENT	
<i>10b</i>		<i>Item 18</i>		<i>10b</i>	
H		S		COM/H	

**NOTE: EUROCONTROL will convert **NEW** “H” to **PRESENT** “S” plus “COM/H”**

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10b - “L”

- **NEW** “L” is equivalent to a **PRESENT** “S” plus additional capabilities
- **NEW** “L” converts to **PRESENT** “SD”

SUR		NEW		PRESENT	
<i>10b</i>		<i>Item 18</i>		<i>10b</i>	
L				SD	COM/L

**NOTE: EUROCONTROL will convert **NEW** “L” to **PRESENT** “SD” plus “COM/L”**

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10b - “B1” “B2” “U1” “U2” “V1” “V2”

- “B1”/“B2”/“U1”/“U2”/“V1”/“V2” represent various forms of ADS-B
- **NEW** “B1”, “B2”, “U1”, “U2”, “V1” & “V2” convert to **PRESENT** "D" in Item 10b

<b>SUR</b>		<b>PRESENT</b>	
<b>10b</b>		<b>Item 18</b>	
B1		D	COM/B1
B2		D	COM/B2
U1		D	COM/U1
U2		D	COM/U2
V1		D	COM/V1
V2		D	COM/V2

**NOTE: EUROCONTROL will convert NEW “B1”, “B2”, “U1”, “U2”, “V1” & “V2” to PRESENT "D" plus "COM/" with the respective qualifier**

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Field 10b - “D1” & “G1”

- “D1” & “G1” both represent ADS-C
- **NEW** “D1” & “G1” convert to **PRESENT** “D” & “RMK/ADSC” in Item 18

<b>SUR</b>		<b>NEW</b>		<b>PRESENT</b>	
<i>10b</i>		<i>Item 18</i>		<i>10b</i>	
<i>Item 18</i>		<i>Item 18</i>		<i>Item 18</i>	
D1		D		COM/D1	
G1		D		COM/G1	

**NOTE:** EUROCONTROL will convert **NEW** “D1” & “G1” to **PRESENT** “D” plus “COM/” with the respective qualifier

# Conversion: **NEW** to **PRESENT**

## Item 18

- Several new indicators in **NEW**: “DOF/”, “DLE/”, & “TALT/”
- Data following these indicators & some others converts to “RMK/” to mitigate loss of information
- **NEW** Item 18 data converts to **PRESENT** data as follows:

<b>NEW Item 18</b>	<b>PRESENT Item 18</b>
STS/ STS/ATFMX	STS/ < text after STS/ > STS/ATFMEXEMPTAPPROVED
SUR/	RMK/ SUR < text after SUR/ >
DOF/	Maintain DOF/ data if possible, otherwise remove.
DAT/	COM/
DLE/	RMK/ DLE < text after DLE/ >
ORGN/	RMK/ORGN < text after ORGN/>
TALT/	RMK/TALT < text after TALT/>
PBN/	See table above

*Note: Discuss the ordering of Item 18 data with neighboring ANSPs*

# FAA Use of “PBN/”

- FAA requires that users file RNAV capabilities on a per flight segment basis in **PRESENT** Item 18 “NAV/”
  - **NEW** Item 18 “PBN/” data entries do not support this paradigm
  - As a result, FAA will continue to require **NEW** Item 18 “NAV/” information in addition to “PBN/”
- FAA automation & operational procedures use “NAV/” data for processing & application of routes
  - Controllers, therefore, only update “NAV/” information
- Consequently
  - FAA will accept & forward **NEW** “PBN/” entries
  - FAA will not update or forward changes to “PBN/” made in flight

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