

ICAO Airport Air Quality Manual

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- ICAO has been involved with airportrelated emissions for many years.
- Guidance material on airport-related air quality was published in 2011:
 - Help States implement best practices to assess airport air quality;
 - ICAO Doc 9889.







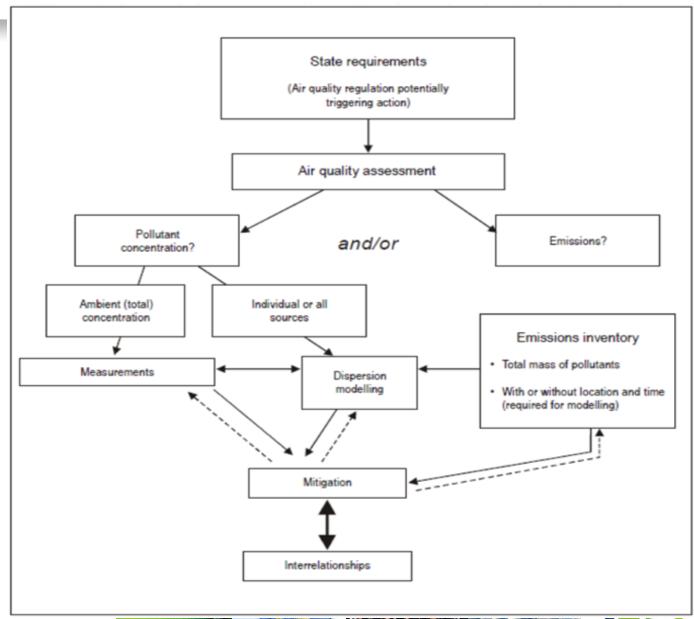


Airport Air Quality





ICAO ENVIRONMENT Principle Elements - Air Quality Assessment





- An emissions inventory gives the total mass of emissions released into the environment.
- Provides a basis for reporting, compliance, and mitigation planning.
- Emissions inventory objectives can include:
 - Collecting information on emissions;
 - Benchmarking emissions against legal requirements;
 - Creating input data for dispersion models;
 - Establishing mitigation programme baselines.











- Aircraft main engines, at times, receive the most attention in an inventory
 - Usually the dominant airport-related source.
- The Landing Take-Off (LTO) Cycle can be used for simple emissions inventory calculations.
- The actual arrival and departure phases of operations may be more appropriate:
 - e.g. for departure: Engine start, Taxi to runway, Holding on ground Take-off roll to lift-off, Initial climb to power cutback.







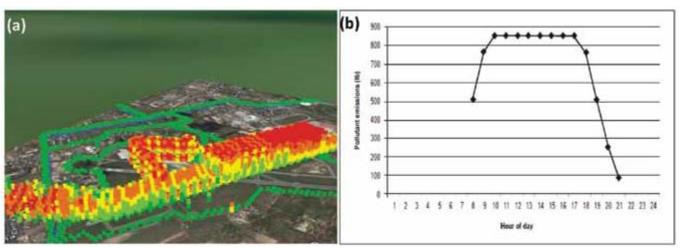






Pollution Concentrations and Dispersion Modelling

- Emissions occur at multiple locations during various time periods;
 - Stationary sources such as generators;
 - Mobile sources such as the aircraft.
- The dispersion of emissions requires both temporal and spatial considerations.



(a) An Example 3-dimensional Geospatial Emissions Inventory; and (b) a Diurnal Profile Plot of Emissions Mass.











Pollution Concentrations and Dispersion Modelling

- Atmospheric dispersion modelling is required to estimate the local ambient concentrations.
- The results form the basis for LAQ impact studies
 - Used to demonstrate compliance with required regulations and standards.
- Existing pollution concentrations can also be assessed by in-situ observation of ambient conditions
 - This assessment method can include contributions from other nearby and distant sources.
- Modelling results and ambient observations can be used for evaluating existing or historical conditions.











- Emissions inventory, concentrations and dispersion modelling, and ambient observation elements can be used individually or in combination.
- The aim is to aid the process of understanding airport air quality, reporting, and compliance and/or mitigation planning.
- Subsequent air quality mitigation can have beneficial results for the:
 - total emissions mass;
 - concentration model results;
 - measured pollutant concentrations.



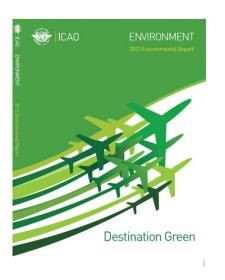








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