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BasicMed

BasicMed will be two years old this coming May! Is it about time for you to complete your online course (required every 24 months)? Remember...this is a different time frame than your medical exam (required every 48 months).

See the article at AOPA [Aircraft Owners and Pilots Organization] for a great explanation of the requirements and time differences to operate under BasicMed: www.aopa.org/news-and-media/all-news/2019/february/26/basicmed-checking-for-clearance.

To access all sorts of info related to BasicMed, here is a link: www.aopa.org/advocacy/pilots/medical/fit-to-fly-pilots.

You do not need to be an AOPA member to access these resources.

ATC Privatization

For the first time in a number of years, NO request to privatize Air Traffic Control is mentioned in the 2020 budget submitted by the White House!

ADS-B Reminder

The deadline of January 1, 2020 for compliance is fast approaching!

Do you need ADS-B Out? Here is a flow chart: www.aopa.org/go-fly/aircraft-and-ownership/ads-b/ads-b-selector.

Some quick facts:

1. Deadline to have it installed is January 1, 2020. The FAA has emphatically and repeatedly stated there will be NO extensions on this timeline.
2. ADS-B Out capability will be required for operations in the following airspace:
 - a. Class A, B & C airspace
 - b. Class E airspace areas at or above 10,000 ft. MSL over the 48 states and D.C., excluding airspace at and below 2,500 ft. AGL
 - c. Airspace within 30 NM at certain busy airports from the surface up to 10,000 ft. MSL and airports listed in Appendix D to Part 91
 - d. Above the ceiling and within the lateral boundaries of a Class B or Class C airspace area up to 10,000 ft. MSL
 - a. Class E airspace over the Gulf of Mexico at and above 3,000 ft. MSL within 12 NM of the coastline of the United States

*If you do not have ADS-B after January 1, 2020, you will **not** be grounded; HOWEVER, you will be prohibited from flying in the designated airspace.*

Here are the pertinent regulations: 14 CFR Part 91.225 and 14 CFR Part 91.227

FMI on ADS-B: www.faa.gov/nextgen/programs/adsb/

FMI on the rebate: www.faa.gov/nextgen/equipadsb/rebate/

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New Safety Alert for Operators (SAFO)

The FAA issued a new SAFO in mid-March related to “Landing Performance Assessments at Time of Arrival”. If you operate into airports where runway conditions are reported, this SAFO updates previous information that had been put out.

Here is the SAFO in its entirety –

www.faa.gov/other_visit/aviation_industry/airline_operators/airline_safety/safo/all_safos/media/2019/SAFO19001.pdf

Respectfully Submitted,

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