

AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION CIRCULAR 17/22

PROCEDURES FOR THE USE OF A GROUND ADVISORY FREQUENCY AT MIRABEL (CYMX) AIRPORT

(Supersedes AIC 30/20)

The purpose of this aeronautical information circular (AIC) is to inform pilots and air traffic services (ATS) of procedures associated with the ground advisory (GND ADV) frequency for use at **Montréal International / Mirabel Airport (CYMX)**.

Procedures

- When the GND ADV frequency is operational, pilots operating on the apron and taxiways up to the hold line for runways in use at Mirabel Airport will be exempt from maintaining a continuous listening watch and making reports on the mandatory frequency (MF) (*Canadian Aviation Regulations* [CARs] subsections 602.97 [2], 602.98 [1], and section 602.99). While operating on the ground, ATS will instruct pilots to make all frequency changes.
- New operating restrictions regarding communications on the MF and the GND ADV frequency will be specified by the Minister in the *Canada Flight Supplement* (CFS).
- Procedures for use of the GND ADV frequency at Mirabel Airport have been published in the appropriate aeronautical publications, as noted below.

Pursuant to CARs subsection 602.98 (1), the Minister has authorized NAV CANADA ATS to specify operating restrictions regarding communications intended for the MF and assign a GND ADV frequency for use at Mirabel Airport, for aircraft operating on the apron and taxiways up to the hold line before the runway in use. This action has been taken to reduce the frequency congestion on the MF and reduce safety hazards associated with such congestion.

Coincident with this action, during periods when the GND ADV frequency is operational, pilots will be exempt from the requirements of CARs sections 602.97, 602.98, and 602.99. Pilots must still adhere to CARs sections 602.100 to 602.103, inclusive.

Referenced CARs are reproduced in Appendix A on page 3 of this AIC. The exemption number and title are as follows: NCR-014-2022, "Exemption from Subsections 602.97 (2), 602.98 (1), and Section 602.99 of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations*."

NAV CANADA will provide ground traffic information, pre-taxi clearances (where available), and other advisory information on the GND ADV frequency.

During this change, the automatic terminal information service (ATIS) message will contain information to pilots regarding use of the GND ADV frequency.

The following aeronautical publications reflect this additional frequency:

- *Canada Flight Supplement* (CFS)
- *Canada Air Pilot*, “Instrument Procedures — General Pages” (CAP GEN)
- *Canada Air Pilot* Volume 5, “Instrument Procedures — Quebec” (CAP Volume 5)
- *Canada Air Pilot* Volume 6, “Procédures aux instruments — Québec” (CAP Volume 6)

Refer to the CFS “General Section”, CAP Volume 6 and the CAP GEN for a definition of Ground Advisory. Refer to the CFS, Section B “Aerodrome/Facility Directory”, CAP Volume 5, and CAP Volume 6 for more detailed information specific to Mirabel Airport, such as frequency and procedures.

Phraseology examples that pilots can expect from flight service specialists include:

- Instruction to change to the appropriate frequency (after receipt of advisory information):

Pilot:	GOLF ALFA BRAVO CHARLIE ON BRAVO FOR RUNWAY TWO THREE AT ALFA
GND ADV:	ROGER, CONTACT RADIO ON (<i>frequency</i>)

- Recommended taxi routing during complex ground traffic situations:
SUGGEST TAXI VIA BRAVO, ECHO, JULIET, ALFA. HOLD SHORT RUNWAY ONE ONE
or
RECOMMEND TAXI VIA TANGO, BRAVO, RUNWAY TWO FOUR
- When transferring aircraft to either frequency (if the FSS positions are combined):
CHANGE TO MY FREQUENCY (*frequency*)

This AIC supersedes AIC 30/20 and will not expire unless superseded by a change in the level of service, or by amendment of, exemption from, or interpretation of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations*.

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