

Briefing Guide FAA Order JO 7200.20A, Air Traffic Organization Voluntary Safety Reporting Programs

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Below are highlights of changes to the 7200.20A which supplements the “Explanation of Changes” on page 3 in the order.

Questions about this order may be referred to the POC, Ernesto Lasen, at 202-267-8876.

This FAA Order JO 7200.20A revision:

- a. Expands the Voluntary Safety Reporting Program (VSRP) to include:
 1. FAA contract towers (Safer-FCT); and
 2. ATSAP-X (for bargaining units covered by the Consolidated Collective Bargaining Agreement with NATCA for Engineers & Architects, Aviation Technical Systems Specialists (series 2186), Staff Support Specialists, and the Flight Procedures Team, and managers of these groups)
- b. Adds provisions for Safer-FCT and ATSAP-X Event Review Committees (ERCs) to initiate Information Requests;
- c. Revises the Facility Manager Roles and Responsibilities requirement in Section 3-1b(1)(o)—at the top of page 18 (to ensure new employees receive ATSAP training within 30 days of arriving at their facility);
 1. This change was established via MOU in 2011 and recently incorporated into the Collective Bargaining Agreement (Article 64, Section 14); it was not part of the original MOU
 2. Since all controllers have ATSAP training, this requirement is for developmental controllers only (and does not apply to transfers from other facilities)
- d. Adds a placeholder for the Technical Operations Safety Action Program (T-SAP)—as a new Chapter 6 (which will be developed later);
- e. Removes the ATSAP Confidentiality Non-Disclosure Agreement (formerly included as an Appendix);

Note: Confidentiality Non-Disclosure Agreements will still be used—IAW standard operating procedures rather than included in this order.
- f. Includes editorial revisions and clarifications throughout the order.