Terminal Area Icing Weather Information for NextGen (TAIWIN)

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Introduction

- FAA released new aircraft icing regulations on November 4, 2014.
- Portion of Part 25 aircraft, addressing supercooled large drop (SLD), mixed phase, and ice crystal icing conditions.
- TAIWIN addresses only
 SLD



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Part III

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14 CFR Parts 25 and 33 Airplane and Engine Certification Requirements in Supercooled Large Drop, Mixed Phase, and Ice Crystal Icing Conditions; Final Rule



Appendix O (1/3)

- SLD environments are freezing drizzle (FZDZ) or freezing rain (FZRA) environments
 - FZDZ Environments Conditions with spectra maximum drop diameters from 100 μm to 500 μm
 - FZRA Environments Conditions with spectra maximum drop diameters greater than 500 μm



Appendix O (2/3)

- Refer to DOT/FAA/AR-09/10, "Data and Analysis for the Development of an Engineering Standard for Supercooled Large Drop Conditions," March 2009.
 - Note. Appendix O was known as Appendix X when report was published.
 - Provides explanation of data and analysis used in the development of Appendix O.



Appendix O (3/3)

- Appendix O or DOT/FAA/AR-09/10
 - "freezing drizzle and freezing rain environments"
 - FZDZ, FZRA, and smaller drops aloft
- Proposed Aircraft Flight Manual (AFM) limitations on operations in SLD
 – Ground is included
- TAIWIN focuses on ground conditions and conditions aloft in the terminal area.



§ 25.1420 Aircraft Affected

- No aircraft have applied for certification under rule as yet
- <u>Subject</u> to new rule: New type design airplanes with a maximum takeoff weight less than 60,000 pounds or with reversible flight controls
 - Includes some new design regional jets and smaller turboprops
- Not subject to new rule:
 - "Grandfathered" aircraft Aircraft designs which are currently certified or have begun the icing certification process for Appendix C will not be subject to the new rule.



Part 23 Aircraft and SLD

- General Aviation (GA) aircraft mainly fall under Part 23
- Part 23 airplanes are under 12,500 pounds
- <u>No proposed rule 23.1420</u> Supercooled Large Drop Conditions <u>has been published</u> in the Federal Register
- Part 23 SLD rule is under review in the Small Airplane Directorate



Review: §25.1420 and Appendix O

- (a) (1): Certified to Appendix C but must detect and exit Appendix O, or
- (a) (2): Certified to operate in a selected portion of Appendix O, or
- (a) (3): Certified to operate in all Appendix O.

Appendix O	Operate in FZDZ	Operate in FZRA
a(1)		
a(2)	Х	
a(3)	Х	Х



Takeoff and Landing Limitations

- Based on the certification, a statement will be placed in the Limitations Section of the Airplane Flight Manual.
- Proposed statements in accompanying advisory circular
- (a)(1) "Intentional flight, including takeoff and landing, into freezing drizzle or freezing rain conditions is prohibited.
- (a)(2) "Intentional flight, including takeoff and landing, into freezing rain conditions is prohibited.



Information Available to Pilots

- How do pilots decide?
- The information currently available to pilots is currently not deemed robust enough to make sound decisions such as diverting to an alternate airport.
- Central purpose of TAIWIN: Improve the information on icing, particularly SLD icing, available in terminal area.



TAIWIN Goals

• To provide:

- Real-time representative rate measurement of all ground-level precipitation types and accurate identification of precipitation type
- Highly resolved, timely diagnoses and forecasts for terminal area freezing precipitation that provide local-area information
- Highly resolved, timely icing conditions aloft in the terminal area that quantify cloud properties in fourdimensions (4-D) to support aircraft trajectories



TAIWIN Approach

- Near-term requirements to implement terminal area icing information with current capabilities
- Follow-on plan for more mature TAIWIN capability needs with the improvement and/or development of technologies and icing weather information
 - Current improvements and enhancements
 - New methods
 - Delivery



TAIWIN Stages

- **Stage I:** current state of observational weather information for icing conditions, both at the ground and aloft.
- **Stage II:** capable of identifying and distinguishing between Appendix C and Appendix O icing conditions.
- **Stage III:** capable of distinguishing between the icing conditions defined in Appendix C and the subsets of Appendix O (FZDZ versus FZRA aloft).
- **Stage IV:** provide a capability at a spatial and temporal resolution that allows arrival and departure routings within the terminal area to be tailored with respect to the icing conditions.



TAIWIN Stages

	In-Flight			
STAGES	App C & App O	FZDZ & FZRA	High Res	
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II	Х			
III	Х	Х		
IV	Х	Х	Х	



Conclusion

- TAIWIN ConOps
- NCAR and other organizations
- Optimistic!



Thank You!

Questions?



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