

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

The following list is a useful guide for those new to the profession or a good refresher for old-timers.

A/C – Aircraft

AOG – Aircraft on Ground

APIS – Advanced Passenger Information System

ARO – Airport Reservation Office

ATC – Air Traffic Control

ATS – Air Traffic Services (NBAA air traffic specialists based at the FAA Air Traffic Control System Command Center, formerly the GA Desk)

CAA – Civil Aviation Authority

CAM – Certified Aviation Manager

CFP – Computer Flight Plan

E-APIS – Electronic Advanced Passenger Information System

ETA – Estimated Time of Arrival

ETD – Estimated Time of Departure

ERP – Emergency Response Plan

ETOPS – Extended-Range Twin Engine Operational Performance Standards

EU-ETS – European Union Emissions Trading System

FAA – Federal Aviation Administration

FAR – Federal Aviation Regulations

FBO – Fixed Base Operator

FIR – Flight Information Region

FOB – Fuel on Board

FOM – Flight Operations Manual

FMS – Flight Management System

FMV – Fair Market Value

FSDO – Flight Standards District Office

GA – General Aviation

GMT – Greenwich Mean Time

GPS – Global Positioning System

HELI – Heliport

ICAO – International Civil Aviation Organization

IFIM – International Flight Information Manual

IFR – Instrument Flight Rules

ILS – Instrument Landing System

IOC – International Operators Conference

IS-BAO – International Standard for Business Aircraft Operations

MEL – Minimum Equipment List

MNPS – Minimum Navigation Performance Specification Airspace

NAT Tracks – North Atlantic Tracks

NBAA – National Business Aviation Association

NM – Nautical Miles

Part 91 – Federal Regulations (governing private aircraft use)

Part 121 – Federal Regulations (governing the commercial use of aircraft, i.e., the airlines)

Part 135 – Federal Regulations (governing the commercial hire of aircraft)

PDP – Professional Development Program

PIC – Pilot in Command

RAIM – Receiver Autonomous Integrity Monitoring

RON – Remain Overnight

RNAV – Area Navigation

RVSM – Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum

SDC – Schedulers & Dispatchers Conference

SATCOM – Satellite Communications

SEBA – Standards of Excellence in Business Aviation

SIC – Second in Command

SIFL – Standard Industry Fare Level

SM – Statute Mile

SMS – Safety Management System

SOP – Standard Operating Procedure

SPDP – Schedulers Professional Development Program

STMP – Special Traffic Management Program

TFR – Temporary Flight Restriction

USG – U.S. Gallon

UTC – Universal Time Coordinated

VFR – Visual Flight Rules

WX – Weather

Z – Zulu