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(NATFP)**

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NATFP: OVERVIEW



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4. GUIDANCE MATERIAL: NATFP

1. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

FAL/2 (1948): National FAL Committees (NFCs)

- ▶ Promote implementation of Annex 9
- ▶ Eliminate differences
- ▶ Solve day-to-day problems

● FAL/6 (1963): Regional FAL coordination

● Other objectives:

- ▶ Encourage cooperation between ministries
- ▶ Review old (pre-aviation) & inconsistent laws
→ Recommend elimination/amendment
- ▶ Use of modern technologies



1. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

1982: Amendment 13

- ▶ National Facilitation Programmes

- ▶ Formation of NFCs and Airport FAL Committees

- Initially, a Recommended Practice (Chapter 8)

- 1990: Standard mandating establishment

- Similar SARPs today

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2. NATFP RATIONALE



► Means of coordinating activities between departments or agencies of the State concerned with or responsible for various aspects of facilitation of national civil aviation ◀

2. NATFP RATIONALE



Article 10: Landing at **customs** airport [**CAA↔CUSTOMS**]

Article 13: Entry and clearance regulations [**↔all BORDER CONTROLS**]

Article 14: Prevention of spread of disease [**↔HEALTH**]

Article 22: Facilitation of formalities [**↔I, Q, C, CLEARANCE**]

Article 23: Customs and immigration procedures [**↔C, I**]

Article 24: Customs duty [**↔CUSTOMS**]

Article 29: Documents carried in aircraft [**↔C, I**]

Article 35: Cargo restrictions [**↔C, OTHER**]

2. NATFP RATIONALE



COORDINATION, COOPERATION BETWEEN/AMONG:

1. **CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY**

2. CUSTOMS

3. IMMIGRATION

4. HEALTH

5. QUARANTINE

6. POLICE/LAW-ENFORCEMENT

7. FOREIGN AFFAIRS

8. PASSPORT/VISA-ISSUING AUTHORITIES

9. AGRICULTURE/HORTICULTURE

10. AVIATION SECURITY

11. NARCOTICS CONTROL

12. TOURISM AUTHORITIES

13. SPORTS AUTHORITIES

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4. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK



Annex 9: Establishment of National FAL Programmes:

- ▶ **Standard 8.17:** Each State to establish a NATFP → FAL requirements of Conv. & Annex 9
- ▶ **Standard 8.18:** Objective of NATFP
- ▶ **RP 8.18.1:** Use guidance of Appendix 12

4. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

- ▶ **Standard 8.19:** . . . NATF Committee . . . or similar coordinating bodies . . . [coordinate] FAL activities . . . various aspects of international civil aviation . . .
- ▶ **RP8.20:** Coordination between FAL & AVSEC Programmes
- ▶ **RP8.21:** Guidance material in Appendices 11 & 12 for NATF & Airport Committees

4. REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

- A37-20: Section III. National cooperation on facilitation matters
 - improve the effectiveness and efficiency of clearance control formalities
 - establish national FAL committees
 - departments: national regulations & practices conform to Annex 9 SARPs
 - solve day-to-day FAL problems
 - study FAL problems & coordinate with other States
- Security Audits: Standard 8.17; RP8.18

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Appendix 12: Model National FAL Programme

▶ Purpose

▶ Scope

▶ Organization & management

→ CAA or Ministry of Transport

→ Participation of other ministries essential

Customs, Immigration, Quarantine, Health, Foreign Affairs,
Security, Tourism, Agriculture, Passport Issuing Authority

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Appendix 12: Model National FAL Programme

- ▶ National FAL Committee

- ▶ Establishment of NATFP & C: legislation, regulation

- ▶ Chicago Mandate ↔ Implementing Tasks
 - Art. 10:—Establish customs airports; Procedures for scheduled and non-scheduled service operations; Border inspection services at customs airports.

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Appendix 12: Model National FAL Programme

► Chicago Mandate ↔ Implementing Tasks

→ Art. 13:—Support agencies in establishing & maintaining inspection systems at airports; Develop programmes for control of security problems; Coordinate preparations for special events.

→ Art. 14:—Establish national policies regarding prevention of the spread of contagious diseases by air.

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► Chicago Mandate ↔ Implementing Tasks

→ Art. 22:—Establish & review national regulations for implementing C, I & Q laws relating to international civil aviation.

→ Art. 23:—Establish C & I procedures carried out at airports; harmonize them with Annex 9 SARPs; Support issuance of passports, etc. per Doc 9303.

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► Chicago Mandate ↔ Implementing Tasks

→ Art. 37:—Participate in development of Annex 9;
Review national procedures periodically to ensure
harmonization Annex 9.

→ Art. 38:—Periodically review conformity by all
relevant agencies with Annex 9 and notify ICAO of
differences.



4. GUIDANCE MATERIAL: NATFP

- FAL Manual
- FAL Panel's Working Group on Guidance Material
 - Model FAL Programme (FALP/8: May 2015)
 - Objective & Mission
 - Legislation
 - Roles & Responsibilities
 - TORs of NATFC & Other FAL Committees
 - Promotion & Awareness
 - Guiding Principles

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