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International Airways Volcano Watch Contact List

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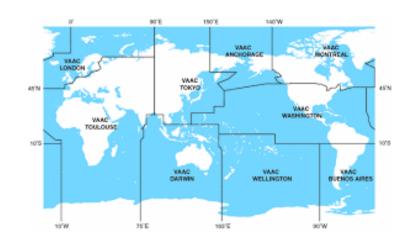
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Introduction



- The International Airways Volcano Watch (IAVW) Contact List serves as a critical operational tool in the global aviation system for the timely and effective management of volcanic hazards to aviation.
- The IAVW Contact List is provided in Part 5 of the Doc 9766 – Handbook on the IAVW.





Role and Responsibilities of the IAVW Contact 1/4

Coordination

Acts as the **central point for coordination** between:

- VAACs (Volcanic Ash Advisory Centres)
- MWOs (Meteorological Watch Offices)
- VOs (Volcano Observatories)
- ATS Units (e.g., ACCs, FIRs)
- ICAO and WMO offices



Role and Responsibilities of the IAVW Contact ^{2/4}

Information Flow

Ensures timely dissemination and receipt of:

- Volcanic activity reports (VAR)
- Volcanic Ash Advisories (VAA)
- **SIGMETs** for volcanic ash
- **NOTAMs** /AIS Messages



Role and Responsibilities of the IAVW Contact 3/4

Emergency Response - Updating Contact Information – Capacity building and Exercises

Emergency Response

Participates in emergency procedures during volcanic eruptions affecting aviation.

Updating Contact Information

 Keeps ICAO and WMO informed of changes to local points of contact, ensuring the IAVW Contact List remains current.

Training and Exercises

 May represent the State or organization in volcanic ash exercises (VOLCEX) and capacity building activities.



Role and Responsibilities of the IAVW Contact 4/4

Compliance with ICAO Standards

- The IAVW Contact List plays a key role in the implementation of Annex 3 Meteorological Service for International Air Navigation provision, requiring coordination between stakeholders for the preparation and issuance of SIGMET Information.
- Inter-agency Collaboration: Promotes effective cooperation among aviation stakeholders, meteorological services, and international aviation bodies, enabling a harmonized response.
- Operational Efficiency: Reduces the risk of airspace closures or reroutes based on incomplete or delayed information, thus safeguarding flight efficiency, cost, and passenger safety.



Who Is the IAVW Contact?

- The IAVW Contact (also referred to as the IAVW Focal Point) is the designated official or office in a State or organization responsible for coordinating matters related to the International Airways Volcano Watch (IAVW).
- The IAVW Focal Point is designated by State, in coordination with ICAO and WMO.
- State's designated Focal Point for the IAVW is recorded in the IAVW Contact List provided in
 Part 5 of the Doc 9766, and maintained by ICAO, in coordination with WMO and regional bodies.
- The contact list is **regularly reviewed and updated** (at least annually, or as needed), as outdated contact details could jeopardize the response during a volcanic eruption affecting airspace.
- The IAVW Contact List is maintained under the framework of the ICAO International Airways
 Volcano Watch Operations Group (IAVWOPSG) and supported by the World Meteorological
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Conclusion

- The International Airways Volcano Watch (IAVW) Contact List plays a key role in managing the volcano events.
- The IAVW FP is an office/Entity designated by State.
- The IAVW FP details are recorded in the Contact List provided in Part 5 of the Doc 9766.
- The IAVW Contact List is updating by ICAO in coordination with States VOs and WMO.







Thank You!