

**Twenty Seventh Meeting of the
Informal South Pacific ATS Co-ordinating Group
(ISPACG/27)**

**Auckland, New Zealand
27 February – 01 March 2013**

Agenda Item 4 – Review Open Action Items (AI 26-1)

Amended Weather Deviation Procedures

Presented by Airservices Australia

SUMMARY

This information paper provides an overview on amended weather deviation procedures implemented in YBBB

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 In the past (more recently at ISPACG/26), operators have requested priority be given to the processing of weather deviation requests, (ISPACG/26 WP06 refers). As described in WP07 at the same meeting, delays to responding to weather deviation requests can occur due to the requirement to conduct coordination with the next ATS Unit.

1.2 Recent amendments to ATC coordination procedures with adjoining ATS Units should allow ATC more flexibility in issuing weather deviation clearances approaching the FIR boundary.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 Traditional coordination procedures required that once initial coordination had been completed, prior coordination was required before amending the clearance of an aircraft (Figure 1)

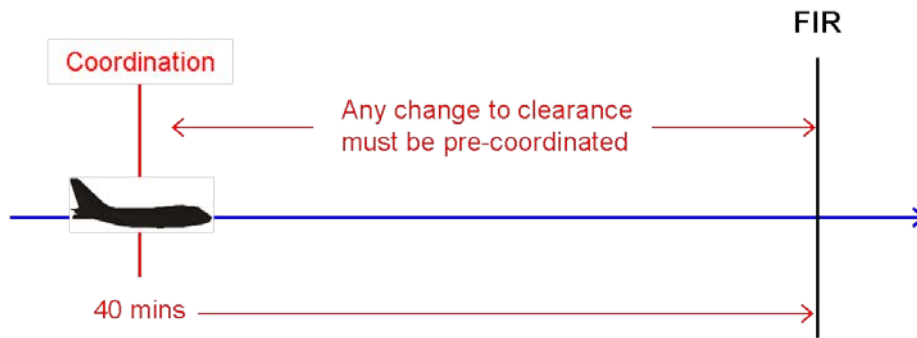


Figure 1. Traditional coordination procedure

2.2 This caused delays in responding to clearance requests while the required ATC coordination is completed.

2.3 The amended procedures permit weather deviation clearances to be issued without prior coordination up to 15 minutes prior to the FIR boundary (Figure 2).

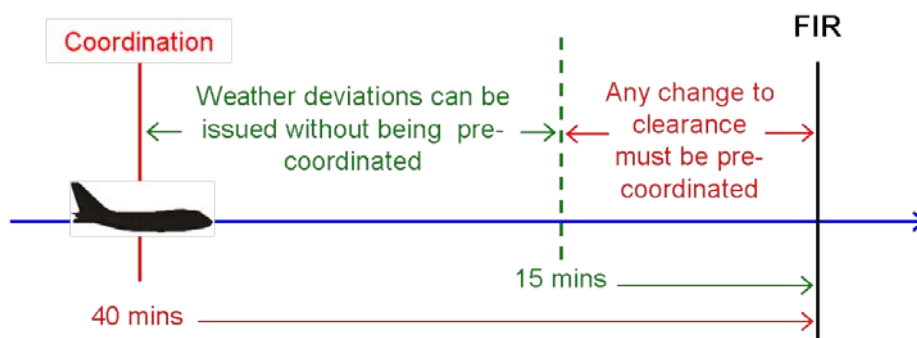


Figure 1. Amended coordination procedure

2.4 This amended coordination procedure was introduced between YBBB/NFFF and YBBB/NZZO in late 2012 and is in the process of being introduced with KZAK.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the amended weather deviation procedures that have been implemented

References

[ISPACG/26 WP06](#)

[ISPACG/26 WP07](#)