

CHAPTER 16 APPROACH BAN FOR IFR FLIGHTS

16.01 Purpose

- (1) For subregulation 91.310 (1), this Chapter prescribes circumstances in which an aircraft flown under the IFR must not make an approach to land at an aerodrome.
- (2) This Chapter applies to an aircraft conducting an IAP at an aerodrome:
 - (a) that has an air traffic control service in operation; and
 - (b) for which RVR reports are available for IAPs to the relevant runway.

16.02 Approach ban — other than low-visibility operations

- (1) This section applies to an operation that is not a low-visibility operation.
- (2) The pilot in command must not descend below 1 000 ft above the aerodrome elevation where the TDZ RVR is reported by ATC as continually less than the landing minima for the IAP.
- (3) Despite subsection (2), if, after passing 1 000 ft above the aerodrome elevation, the TDZ RVR is reported by ATC as falling below the landing minima, the approach may be continued.

16.03 Approach ban — low-visibility operations

- (1) This section applies to an operation that is a low-visibility operation.
- (2) The pilot in command must not descend below 1 000 ft above the aerodrome elevation where a controlling zone RVR is reported by ATC as continually less than the RVR zone requirements.

Note **Controlling zone RVR** is defined in section 1.07. An RVR zone is controlling if a report is received from that zone, whether or not it is a required report.

- (3) Subject to subsection (2), if, after passing 1 000 ft above the aerodrome elevation, a controlling zone RVR is reported by ATC as falling below the RVR zone requirements, the IAP may be continued.
- (4) For subsections (2) and (3), the RVR zone requirements are as follows:

- (a) a TDZ RVR report is always required, unless:
 - (i) the IAP is a CAT III instrument approach operation conducted with the use of an FO landing system and an FO or FP rollout system; and
 - (ii) the MID and END RVR zones are providing valid reports;

- (b) other than for an SA CAT I instrument approach operation, a MID RVR report is required if the END RVR zone is not providing valid reports;
- (c) other than for an SA CAT I instrument approach operation, an END RVR report is required if the MID RVR is not providing valid reports.

Note MID or END RVR reports are not required for SA CAT I instrument approach operations.

- (d) for the TDZ RVR report — the RVR value shown on the instrument approach chart;
- (e) for MID RVR zone report:
 - (i) for a CAT III instrument approach operation conducted without the use of a rollout system — 175 m; and
 - (ii) for a CAT III instrument approach operation conducted with the use of an FO rollout system — 75 m; and
 - (iii) for other IAPs — 125 m;
- (f) for the END RVR report — 75 m.