



National Information Circular

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Subject	Change notification – 3 September 2026 AIRAC		
Valid from	19 August 2026	Valid to	30 September 2026
Units Affected	All units		
Authorised by	ATM Standards and Assurance Manager		
Background	The Manual of Air Traffic Services (MATS) version 77 and the Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP Book) AL 128 will become effective on 3 September 2026.		
For controller information	The change summaries for MATS and AIP can be found in the published documents and are reproduced below for reference. Not all minor or editorial changes are included. Additionally, an AIRAC briefing document can be found in the 'AIRAC Education' document library on the SATSS team site (here). This document provides an indication of what has changed and the reason(s) for the change where the change has not been previously published by IMA or AIP SUP and is considered significant. Some changes to the AIP are initiated outside Airservices. These changes are described in the change summary in the published document but are not included in the AIRAC briefing document. It is a requirement for all ATS staff to be fully familiar with all changes relevant to their duties.		

MATS Changes

Title	Description of Change	Change Request Number
NAPM to MATS Curfew restrictions	Moves requirements related to curfew procedures from NAPM to MATS. Section affected: 2.3.4	51215
Medical Emergency Notifications	Incorporates content from NAPM, and updates existing MATS content due to a change in the TSI Act reporting requirements. Section affected: 4.2.15	50039
Non-controlled aerodrome emergency notifications	Update Alerting Services notification requirements to ensure AEP activation at non-controlled aerodromes, inclusion of content from Aircservices ATS/ARFFS operational procedures. Section(s) affected: 4.3.2, 4.3.4, 4.4.3	45691
Air Force Callsigns - 1FTS	Two additional callsigns for 1FTS, Air Force. Section affected: 6.2.2	51015
Air Force Callsigns - 6SQN	New callsign (Intruder) for 6SQN, Air Force. Section affected: 6.2.2	51016
Formation separation	Clarifies separation requirements during formation take-offs before the aircraft are established in a defined formation type. Section affected: 9.9.5	51017
Leidos LAHSO	Updates LAHSO participants based on operator advice. Section affected: 10.9.5	50788

AIP Changes

Where possible, references to noteworthy amendments have been included (references may not indicate all amendments relating to that topic). Minor editorial and format changes are not shown in this summary.

Hyperlinks: throughout the Book many hyperlinks have been corrected.

Melbourne/Avalon Renamed: Changed Avalon to Melbourne/Avalon *GEN 1.2 para 2.2.2 and 2.3.4, GEN 3.4 Appendix 1.*

Communication and Navigation: Revision of datalink login procedures, *GEN 3.4 para 7.4, 7.5 and Appendix 1.*

Meteorological Services: *GEN 3.5 section 4.5 removed.*