

ORDERS & INSTRUCTIONS

TAXING AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS AT NIGHT

SUBJECT:

1. PURPOSE

This Orders & Instructions is to establish safe aircraft taxiing operations after daylight hours at Washington Dulles International Airport. This requirement relates to a problem with air traffic controllers, pilots, and vehicle operators unable to see taxiing aircraft in critical areas on the aerodrome at night.

2. CANCELLATION

O&I IAD 2-1-3, Taxiing Aircraft Operations at Night, dated August 8, 1979, is canceled.

3. DISTRIBUTION

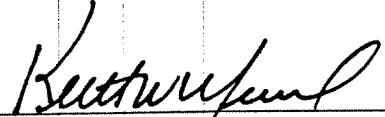
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4. BACKGROUND

There have been several recent incidents where taxiing aircraft and airport vehicle traffic have come in close proximity while operating on taxiways and ramp areas. These situations usually occur during the hours of darkness or in daylight hours when visibility is reduced due to weather.

5. PROCEDURE

All aircraft taxiing on taxiways/taxilanes and ramp areas at Washington Dulles International Airport shall keep their taxi lights and position lights on during the hours of darkness or periods of reduced visibility.



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