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HELICOPTER SAFETY ADVISORY CONFERENCE-RECOMMENDED PRACTICE

Offshore Helidecks / Landing Communications

Background

To enhance safety, and provide appropriate time to prepare for helicopter operations, the following is recommended when anticipating a landing on an offshore helideck.

Recommended Practices

- A. Before landing on an offshore helideck, pilots are encouraged to establish communications with the company owning or operating the helideck if frequencies exist for that purpose.*
- B. When impracticable, or if frequencies do not exist, pilots or operations personnel should attempt to contact the company owning or operating the helideck by telephone [See Mutual Aid Directory (MAD)]. Contact should be made before the pilot departs home base/point of departure to advise of intentions and obtain landing permission if necessary.

* recommend a minimum of 10 minutes for planned arrival notice. This practice may be a requirement of some offshore owner/operators.

Note 1: See **HSAC RP 90-1** for Tanker Operations

Note 2: Private use Heliport. Offshore heliports are privately owned / operated facilities and their use is limited to persons having prior authorization to utilize the facility.

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