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**AVIATION ACCIDENT NOTIFICATION** 

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This supplement specifies the operational responsibility to provide official notification of aviation related accidents within the NWS Alaska Region area of responsibility.

The section number in this supplement corresponds to the section number in NWSI 10-2004.

Signed 4/18/03
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Regional Director

### **Accident Notification**

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The Alaska Aviation Weather Unit (AAWU) will provide a Notification Report upon receiving notification of a Major Aircraft Accident, or a known or suspected Weather Factor Accident. The terms "Major Aircraft Accident" and "Weather Factor Accident" are defined in NWS Instruction 10-2001, Section 2. Determining if an accident is a Weather Factor Accident is based on either a report from a reliable source or the judgment of the forecaster. Other Alaska Region field offices receiving notification of a Major Aircraft Accident, or suspected Weather Factor Accident, will forward details of the event to the AAWU for creation of the Notification Report.

## Appendix A - Aviation Accident Notification Report

The reports are sent on AWIPS by the Alaska Aviation Weather Unit with the following communications header and address:

NOAK58 PAWU *ddtttt*<sup>1</sup> OAVAWU

ALASKA AVIATION WEATHER UNIT ANCHORAGE ALASKA time AST/ADT day month year

TO: FORENSIC SERVICES MANAGER (W/OS52) NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE C/O TELECOMMUNICATIONS GATEWAY SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND 20910

# INFO - ATTENTION ALASKA REGION - **REGIONAL AVIATION METEOROLOGIST**<sup>2</sup>

### Notes:

- 1. *dd* is the day of the month, *tttt* is the dissemination time in Coordinated Universal Time (UTC).
- 2. Aviation accident reports are automatically distributed to the Regional Aviation Meteorologist.