

VATUSA ALBUQUERQUE ARTCC/VATUSA KANSAS CITY ARTCC

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

SUBJECT: Inter-Center Coordination Procedures and Control Jurisdiction

Effective Date: October 30, 2010

1. PURPOSE. To establish coordination procedures and define delegation of control airspace between VATUSA Albuquerque ARTCC (ZAB) and VATUSA Kansas City ARTCC (ZKC). This Agreement is supplementary to procedures contained in ATP/VATSIM/VATUSA Handbooks and Directives to enroute procedures.
2. DISCLAIMER. Information contained herein is designed and specifically for use in a virtual controlling environment. It is not applicable, nor should it be referenced for live operations in the National Airspace System.
3. CANCELLATION. This Letter of Agreement supersedes any previous Letter of Agreement in place on the effective date of this document.
4. PROCEDURES.
 - a. The transferring Center may assign a cardinal altitude/flight level not appropriate for direction of flight, provided approval is obtained from the receiving Center prior to hand-off.
 - b. Transponder codes may be changed without coordination upon initial contact.
 - c. The transferring Center need not coordinate aircraft climbing or descending to an assigned altitude, provided:
 - i. An automated radar hand-off is performed, and
 - ii. The data block reflects the correct assigned altitude of the aircraft.
 - d. Sectors are stratified as follows:
 - i. ZKC Sectors are stratified as follows:
 1. Normal: ZKC 41 or 97 Sectors own all altitudes.
 2. Low Sectors (41 or 97): SFC to FL230
 3. ZKC Sector 21: FL240 and Above
 - ii. ZAB Sectors are stratified as follows:
 1. ZAB Sector 15 – FL280 and Below.
 2. ZAB Sector 97 – FL290 and Above.

//Signed//
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