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Law Enforcement Assistance Program (LEAP)

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U.S. National Air Space (NAS)



Daily World Aircraft Activity



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U.S. Aviation Universe

- 883,165 Active Airmen
- 397,906 Aircraft registered with the FAA
- 19,000 Airports
- 13,774 Private use Airports
- 9,000+ Unpaved Runways
- 4,000+ Public Use Airports



Law Enforcement Assistance Program

Mission Statement

Support Federal, State and local agencies by denying access to the National Airspace System to any person(s) who would threaten National Security by committing criminal acts.



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Mandated by Congress to assist Law Enforcement agencies in investigations involving aircraft and FAA certificated individuals.



LEAP Functions

- Liaison
- Investigations
 - *Airmen*
 - *Aircraft*
- Training
- Ramp Inspections
- Laser Investigation Support



LEAP Functions Investigations - Airman

Certificate Revocations

- Drug Convictions
- Use of Aircraft for Drug Smuggling
- Falsification
- Alcohol related convictions (if subject fails to report to FAA within 60 days)



LEAP Functions Investigations - Aircraft

Registration Violations

- Invalid Registrations
 - Expired
 - Operating on an expired temporary registration
 - Failure to report the sale of an aircraft
 - Failure to provide updated physical address



LEAP Functions Other Types of Support

The FAA maintains over 1,300,000 medical records and 5,000,000 airmen records

- Falsification of applications / forms
- Locating passengers suspected of other regulatory violations
 - Tampering with aircraft smoke detectors
 - Failure to follow the directions of a flight crew member
 - Smoking on a commercial aircraft



LEAP Functions Laser Investigation Support

The FAA Modernization and Re-Authorization Act criminalized the pointing of a laser at an aircraft.

- \$250,000 fine
- Maximum 5 years incarceration

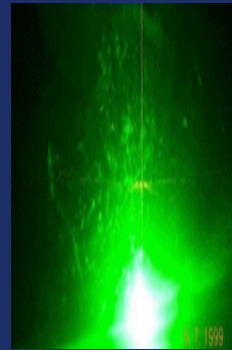


LEAP Functions

Laser Investigation Support

Reported Laser Events

2005	311	(avg. 6 wk)
2006	420	(avg. 8 wk)
2007	643	(avg. 12 wk)
2008	955	(avg. 18 wk)
2009	1,527	(avg. 29 wk)
2010	2,836	(avg. 54 wk)
2011	3,592	(avg. 69 wk)



Questions?

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