

Title 15
AIRPORT

UPDATED: January 30, 2024

Chapters:

- 15.04 DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AND FACILITIES**
- 15.08 DEFINITIONS**
- 15.12 AIRPORT RULES AND REGULATIONS IN GENERAL**
- 15.16 AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS**
- 15.20 AIRCRAFT - GENERALLY**
- 15.24 PUBLIC USE OF ROADS, WALKS AND FACILITIES**
- 15.28 ACCIDENTS AND SAFETY**
- 15.32 RULES OF CONDUCT**
- 15.36 MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS**
- 15.40 FUELING AND FUEL STORAGE**
- 15.44 FIRE REGULATIONS**
- 15.48 TAXICABS, LIMOUSINES AND FOR HIRE AUTOMOBILE SERVICE COMPANIES**
- 15.52 SCHEDULE OF FEES, RENTALS, RATES, CHARGES AND GENERAL CONDITIONS**
- 15.56 AVIATION FUEL SALES - FIELD USE FEES**
- 15.60 PAYMENT - LANDING, TIE-DOWN AND OTHER FEES**
- 15.64 OPERATIONS OF AIRCRAFT - APPLICATION OF CHARGES**
- 15.72 GROUND RENTALS**
- 15.76 HANGARS AND OFFICES - COUNTY-OWNED**
- 15.80 PENALTIES**
- 15.90 MUSEUM OF FLIGHT AUTHORITY**
- 15.94 AIRPORT ROUNDTABLE**
- 15.96 SECURITY PROGRAM - REQUIREMENTS - FEE**

For statutory provisions authorizing county airport districts, see RCW 14.08.290; for provisions generally regarding municipal airports, see chapters 14.07 and 14.08 RCW.

CROSS REFERENCE: Airport fund, see K.C.C. 4A.200.110.

15.04 DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

Sections:

- 15.04.010 Description of property.

15.04.010 Description of property. King County International Airport/Boeing Field (KCIA) is located five miles south of the center of the city of Seattle. The elevation is eighteen feet above mean sea level. The airport consists of approximately six hundred acres.

There are two parallel runways, described as follows:

The main runway (13R/31L) running northwest-southeast is ten thousand feet long and two hundred feet wide.

The utility runway (13L/31R) is three thousand seven hundred ten feet long and one hundred feet wide. This runway lies parallel to and three hundred seventy-five feet, centerline to centerline, east of the main runway.

The airport is owned by King County, Washington [Port of Entry (POE)]*. KCIA's regional and national roles are defined by the Federal Aviation Administration in the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems Plan. KCIA is defined as a Class II primary commercial service (non-hub), general aviation reliever, cargo service airport. The airport is a port of Entry. The control tower is operated by the Federal Aviation Administration. The airport is operated on a seven day-a-week, twenty-four-hour basis, with complete facilities for servicing large and small aircraft. (Ord. 16217 § 1, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. I § 1, 1972).

Reviser's notes:

K.C.C. 15.04.010 has been editorially amended, at the request of the county, in accordance with Ordinance 2315.

***Not deleted in Ordinance 16217. See K.C.C. 1.24.075.**

15.08 DEFINITIONS

Sections:

15.08.010	Definitions.
15.08.020	B.F.I.
15.08.030	Airport.
15.08.040	Airport manager.
15.08.050	King County council.
15.08.060	Person.
15.08.070	Aircraft.
15.08.080	Main runway - Utility runway.
15.08.090	Control zone.
15.08.100	F.A.A.
15.08.105	Federal obligations.
15.08.110	Landing area.
15.08.115	Minimum standards.
15.08.120	Operational areas.
15.08.130	Operator.
15.08.140	Owner.
15.08.150	Ramp.
15.08.160	Road.
15.08.170	Taxiways.
15.08.180	Tower.
15.08.190	Undeveloped areas.
15.08.200	Business or commerce.
15.08.210	Privately owned aircraft.
15.08.220	Airport ARFF officer.

15.08.010 Definitions. The definitions in this chapter apply throughout this title unless the context clearly requires otherwise. Where there is ambiguity in the application of aviation definitions or terminology the Federal Aviation Administration Regulations or Advisory Circulars shall provide guidance. (Ord. 16217 § 2, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 1, 1972).

15.08.020 B.F.I. "B.F.I." means Boeing Field International or King County International Airport, a public utility operated by King County. (Ord. 16217 § 3, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 2, 1972).

Reviser's Note: K.C.C. 15.08.020 has been editorially amended, at the request of the county, in accordance with Ordinance 2315.

15.08.030 Airport. "Airport means King County International Airport/Boeing Field [or BFI or KCIA]* and comprises all land set aside for King County International Airport. PFI is the F.A.A. designation for the airport. (Ord. 16217 § 4, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 3, 1972).

Reviser's Notes:

K.C.C. 15.08.030 has been editorially amended, at the request of the county, in accordance with Ordinance 2315.

***Not underlined in Ordinance 16217. See K.C.C. 1.24.075.**

15.08.040 Airport manager. "Airport manager" means the airport manager appointed by the King County executive to manage, superintend, control and protect the King County International Airport. (Ord. 16217 § 5, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 4, 1972).

15.08.050 King County council. "King County council" means the King County council consisting of the duly qualified members holding office under and by virtue of the provisions of the King County Charter. (Ord. 16217 § 6, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 5, 1972).

15.08.060 Person. "Person" means any individual, firm, copartnership, corporation, company, association or joint stock association, and includes any trustee, receiver, assignee or similar representative thereof. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 6, 1972).

15.08.070 Aircraft. "Aircraft" is a vehicle used or designed for navigation of or flight in the air such as any aeroplane, airplane, gas bag, flying machine, balloon, or any flying contrivance now known or hereafter invented. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 7, 1972).

15.08.080 Main runway - Utility runway. "Main runway" means runway 13R/31L, and "utility runway" means runway 13L/31R. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 8, 1972).

15.08.090 Control zone. "Control zone" means that airspace of defined geographical dimensions designated by the F.A.A. above and surrounding Boeing Field International, within which the airport control tower exercises authority. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 9, 1972).

15.08.100 F.A.A. "F.A.A." means the Federal Aviation Administration of the United States of America, as defined in the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as the same now exists or hereafter be amended. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 10, 1972).

15.08.105 Federal obligations. "Federal obligations" means federal statutes and regulations pertaining to the ownership and operation of the airport, grant agreements between the county and the Federal Aviation Administration, including, but not limited to, the Airport Improvement Program as authorized by the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, as amended, codified as 49 U.S.C. Sec. 47101 et seq, as amended, and the terms, conditions, reservations, and restrictions prescribed in the Instrument of Transfer, dated May 26, 1948, between the United States of America and King County, as authorized by the Surplus Property Act of 1944 (58 Stat.765), codified as 49 U.S.C. Secs. 47151-47153, as amended. (Ord. 19713 § 1, 2023).

15.08.110 Landing area. "Landing area" means the public use runway and taxiway system of B.F.I. maintained by the airport for the landing, taking-off and taxiing by the public, and shall include the areas between the runways and taxiways and the necessary clearance areas. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 11, 1972).

15.08.115 Minimum standards. "Minimum standards" means a document adopted and formally approved by King County International Airport and reviewed by the F.A.A., which are detailed provisions defining the minimum standards acceptable by the county for entities aspiring to conduct commercial or non-commercial operations or activities on the airport and obligations be met by all who use or occupy the airport to ensure its safe and efficient operation. (Ord. 16217 § 12, 2008).

15.08.120 Operational areas. "Operational areas" means any place on the landing area of the airport and shall also include the public use taxiways and ramps and the necessary rights-of-way and clearance areas therefore, but shall not include any such areas under lease to a tenant or lessee on B.F.I. (Ord. 16217 § 7, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 12, 1972).

15.08.130 Operator. "Operator" means a person who operates aircraft for that person's own pleasure, passenger service, freight service, hire, charter, flight instructions, business or test purposes, or who operates an aircraft as a bailee while performing service on aircraft. (Ord. 18670 § 69, 2018: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 13, 1972).

15.08.140 Owner. "Owner" means the registered and/or legal owner of an aircraft according to the files and records of the F.A.A. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 14, 1972).

15.08.150 Ramp. "Ramp" means an area designated as a ramp and used for the parking and maneuvering, loading and unloading, and servicing of aircraft while they are on the ground. "Servicing" of aircraft as used in this code means only the oiling and fueling thereof. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 15, 1972).

15.08.160 Road. "Road" means all areas designated as public use roads or streets for the exclusive use of ground vehicles, including ways open to the public but shall not include any such areas under lease to a tenant or lessee on the airport. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 16, 1972).

15.08.170 Taxiways. "Taxiways" means all areas designated as public use taxiways and used for the exclusive use of aircraft movement while on the ground, but shall not include any such areas under lease to a tenant or lessee on the airport. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 17, 1972).

15.08.180 Tower. "Tower" means the air traffic control tower and the control and authority established and operated by the F.A.A. for the control of aircraft and motor vehicle traffic on the operational areas and in the airspace above and within the B.F.I. [Class D airspace]*. (Ord. 16217 § 8, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 18, 1972).

***Reviser's note: Not underlined in accordance with K.C.C. 1.24.075 in Ordinance 16217.**

15.08.190 Undeveloped areas. "Undeveloped areas" means all the land on the airport except that defined as operational areas and roads, and except that land legally used by or under lease to a tenant or lessee. (Ord. 1159, Art. II § 19, 1972).

15.08.200 Business or commerce. "Business" or "commerce" means the use of the airport by any person, group, club, association, or corporation as a base for conducting commercial activities for the carrying for hire or compensation of passengers, freight, express or mail, for paid instruction in aviation or any aviation related field, for the sale of fuels, aviation supplies and materials, for aircraft rental, sales, maintenance or service, or for any other aviation or nonaviation commercial activity including the sale of refreshments or any commodity or service. (Ord. 16217 § 9, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 20, 1972).

15.08.210 Privately owned aircraft. "Privately owned aircraft" are defined as aircraft owned individually or by a partnership, or by a nonprofit club or corporation in which each member must be a bona fide owner or lessee of a part of the aircraft or of a share in the corporation. The aircraft shall be owned and operated for personal, nonrevenue transportation, pleasure or recreational use only. (Ord. 16217 § 10, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 21, 1972).

15.08.220 Airport ARFF officer. "Airport ARFF officer" means an employed officer of the airport or airport contractor and holds a commission as a peace officer in King County, state of Washington. (Ord. 16217 § 11, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. II § 22, 1972).

15.12 AIRPORT RULES AND REGULATIONS IN GENERAL

Sections:

- 15.12.010 Rules and regulations - application.
- 15.12.020 Amendment with due notice.
- 15.12.030 Enforcement - citation of violators.
- 15.12.040 Compliance with rules and regulations.
- 15.12.050 Restricted areas - authorization required.
- 15.12.060 Conduct of business, commercial or noncommercial activity.
- 15.12.070 Filing location of business with airport manager - violation.
- 15.12.080 Disposal.
- 15.12.090 Damages - responsibility for.
- 15.12.100 Surface vehicles on operational use areas.
- 15.12.110 Removal or impoundment of property.
- 15.12.120 Flying clubs - requirements.

15.12.010 Rules and regulations - application. The rules and regulations hereinafter set forth, and all orders, instructions, rules, minimum standards and regulations promulgated under authority herein prescribed, shall apply to and be in full force and effect upon B.F.I. as it is now or may hereafter be constituted, and all persons using the facilities of B.F.I. shall observe same and such observance shall be a condition under which all persons may use such facilities. (Ord. 16217 § 13, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 1, 1972).

15.12.020 Amendment with due notice. The King County council reserves the right to revise, delete, amend, or add to any of these regulations or rules with due notice. (Ord. 1159, Art. III § 2, 1972).

15.12.030 Enforcement - citation of violators. The provisions of this title and any resolutions, minimum standards or other rules and regulations promulgated under this title, and the provisions of any other ordinance or law, the violation of which constitutes an infraction or violation, pertaining to the conduct of persons upon or about, or to operations

of, B.F.I., may be enforced in any manner provided for by law. (Ord. 16217 § 14, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 3, 1972).

15.12.040 Compliance with rules and regulations. All persons using the facilities of B.F.I. shall be governed by the rules and regulations herein prescribed and by the provisions of the King County Code. (Ord. 1159, Art. III § 4, 1972).

15.12.050 Restricted areas - authorization required. No person other than those in an aircraft operating on the airport or in vehicles authorized to service or support such aircraft shall enter the operational area unless with approval of the airport manager or designee. All persons authorized access to the operational areas shall have suitable identification on them when in the area. (Ord. 16217 § 15, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 5, 1972).

15.12.060 Conduct of business, commercial or noncommercial activity. No person may solicit, offer for sale or hire or sell or engage in any business or commercial or noncommercial activity of any nature on or from the airport except from a fixed place of business or operation and in conformance with an appropriate lease or permit or as provided in the rules and regulations. (Ord. 16217 § 16, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 6, 1972).

15.12.070 Filing location of business with airport manager - violation. All airport business or commercial operators must file with the airport manager the name and location on the airport of their business, and if any change in name, ownership and location is made, notice of such change must be given to the airport manager immediately. Failure to notify the airport manager shall constitute a violation of the airport rules and regulations, and will subject the operator to the penalties thereof. (Ord. 16217 § 17, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 7, 1972).

15.12.080 Disposal. No person shall deposit substances on B.F.I. which may cause damage or be a nuisance or a hazard to persons or property. No person shall place, dispose or deposit in any manner trash, garbage, material, debris or refuse in or upon the operational areas, undeveloped areas, or roads except at such places and under such conditions as the airport manager may from time to time prescribe. (Ord. 16217 § 18, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 8, 1972).

15.12.090 Damages - responsibility for. Any and all airport property destroyed, injured, or damaged shall be paid for by the person or persons responsible for such destruction, injury, or damage thereto. (Ord. 1159, Art. III § 9, 1972).

15.12.100 Surface vehicles on operational use areas. No surface vehicles other than aircraft and fueling and flight line service vehicles shall be operated on the operational areas except those specifically authorized by the airport manager. Each vehicle authorized access to operational areas shall display visual identification (such as a large decal or sign) while operating in that area. (Ord. 1159, Art. III § 10, 1972).

15.12.110 Removal or impoundment of property. The airport manager or designee may remove and impound from any area of the airport including leased premises any motor vehicle, aircraft or other property that causes or constitutes or reasonably appears to cause or constitute an imminent or immediate danger to the health or safety of the persons using the airport or a significant portion thereof. The airport manager or designee may also remove or impound from any area of the airport, including leased

premises any motor vehicle, aircraft or other property due to lack of payment for leasehold, parking or storage, airport fees and assessments or abandonment of property at the end of a lease term or termination of a lease, if the lessee is in default pursuant to the terms of the lease. Such vehicles, aircraft or other property may be disposed of through sell, surplus, auction or other action in accordance with the guidance provided in RCW 14.08.122. Vehicles, equipment and other property abandoned in the parking areas or any other areas of the airport may be impounded and removed.

The expenses of such a removal and any storage fees shall become a lien chargeable to the owner of motor vehicle, aircraft or other property. The owner shall be notified of the removal and storage of motor vehicle, aircraft or other property by certified or registered mail with a five-day return requested, sent to the owner's address as known to the airport manager or the manager's designee, within three days of said removal and storage.

The removal from any area of the airport including leased premises of any motor vehicle, aircraft or other property constituting a nuisance or which is disabled, abandoned or in violation of this code but which does not cause or constitute an imminent or immediate danger to the health or safety of the persons using the airport or a significant portion thereof shall be accomplished in accordance with the procedure in chapters 7.48 and 46.55 RCW. (Ord. 16217 § 19, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 11, 1972).

15.12.120 Flying clubs - requirements.

A. A flying club must be organized as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the state of Washington or of the United States for the purpose of fostering flying for pleasure, developing skills in aviation, and developing an awareness and appreciation of aviation requirements and techniques to the general public.

B. Each club must furnish to the airport manager a current and correct copy of the bylaws, articles of incorporation, operating rules and membership agreements.

C. A current certified roster of officers and directors and their addresses must be filed annually with the airport manager.

D. The commercial use of B.F.I. by flying clubs is prohibited.

E. The flying club shall maintain a membership record containing the full names, addresses and pilot license number and rating of all active members, together with the date when their membership commenced. These records shall be certified by an officer of the flying club and made available for inspection at any reasonable time upon request of and by the airport manager or designee.

F. All flying clubs will submit to the airport manager upon the airport manager's request a certified list of all instructors who are or have been instructing members of the club and the names of each of the members who received said instruction and the dates and time duration of such instruction within the six months preceding the request.

G. All flying clubs must obtain public liability and property damage insurance with a hold harmless agreement in favor of B.F.I. and King County, its officers and employees. King County's office of risk management services shall assess the insurance requirements and provide a determination of liability and amount of insurance needed. Certificates of insurance will be kept on file at all times with the airport manager. Thirty days' prior notice of cancellation shall also be filed with the airport manager.

H. All aircraft owned, leased or used by the club must first be registered with the airport manager. Club aircraft shall not be used for business or commercial activities. (Ord. 19015 § 10, 2019: Ord. 18670 § 70, 2018: Ord. 16217 § 20, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. III § 12, 1972).

15.16 AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS

Sections:

- 15.16.010 Aircraft operation and maintenance.
- 15.16.020 Brakes required.
- 15.16.030 Aircraft storage - Repairs.
- 15.16.040 Securing of unattended aircraft.
- 15.16.050 Parking of aircraft.
- 15.16.060 Postponing and delaying of airport operations.
- 15.16.070 Use of intoxicants and drugs.
- 15.16.080 Disabled aircraft.
- 15.16.090 Charges for moving disabled aircraft - liability.
- 15.16.100 Noise and slipstreams.
- 15.16.110 Starting and running of aircraft engines.
- 15.16.120 Instructor responsibility.
- 15.16.140 Parking gate assignment.
- 15.16.150 Nighttime landings - Maximum number.

15.16.010 Aircraft operation and maintenance. No person shall navigate, land, fly, service, move, maintain, or repair any aircraft, nor conduct any aviation activities, upon, on or from the airport other than in conformity with current F.A.A. rules and regulations established under federal authority, including all current air traffic rules as established by the airport and F.A.A. and controlled by the B.F.I. control tower. Navigation lights shall be lighted on all aircraft moving on the taxiways and ramps of the airport from dusk to daylight, including aircraft under tow. (Ord. 3382 § 1, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 1, 1972).

15.16.020 Brakes required. No aircraft may be operated at the airport unless it is equipped with satisfactory and usable brakes. (Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 2, 1972).

15.16.030 Aircraft storage - Repairs. Aircraft shall be stored and repairs shall be made only on the leased sites where permitted, and there shall be aircraft storage but no repair work on the public use ramps. (Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 3, 1972).

15.16.040 Securing of unattended aircraft. No aircraft shall be left unattended on any area of the airport, including leased premises, unless properly secured. The securing of aircraft shall be the sole responsibility of the owner or operator of the aircraft, and B.F.I. and its officers, employees, and agents shall be in no way held responsible. (Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 4, 1972).

15.16.050 Parking of aircraft. Except for parking and servicing of aircraft where permitted on public use ramps, provisions for parking all aircraft by any operator, user, tenant or its patrons, invitees, employees and others, shall be on leased premises where permitted and off the operational area of the airport. No holding, stopping or parking of aircraft on the taxiways shall be permitted other than to gain immediate ingress or egress of the aircraft from or to adjacent premises, unless directed by the F.A.A. and under air traffic control.

Unairworthy aircraft, wrecks, "junkers" or parts thereof shall not be parked or stored anywhere on the airport or leased sites unless awaiting bona fide scheduled repairs by a bona fide commercial aviation business on the airport, unless express authority is granted by the airport manager. (Ord. 16217 § 21, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 5, 1972).

15.16.060 Postponing and delaying of airport operations. The manager of the airport may delay or restrict any flight or other operations at the airport for any emergency or other cause, the ramifications of which indicate danger to the public or impending

violation of rules and regulations applicable to such flight or other operations. (Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 6, 1972).

15.16.070 Use of intoxicants and drugs.

A. The following persons shall not be under the influence of any intoxicating substance that renders the person incapable of safely performing the persons' duties:

1. A pilot or other member of the crew of an aircraft in operation on the airport or indicating intent to do so; and
2. A person directly attending or assisting in the operation on the airport.

B. A person who is a passenger of an aircraft in operation on the airport or intending to be a passenger shall not be under the influence of any intoxicating substance to a degree that would endanger the safety of any persons using the airport. (Ord. 18670 § 71, 2018: Ord. 16217 § 22, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 7, 1972).

15.16.080 Disabled aircraft. Each aircraft owner, or the owner's pilot or agent, shall be responsible for the prompt removal of disabled aircraft and parts thereof unless required or directed to delay such action pending an investigation of an accident. (Ord. 16217 § 23, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 8, 1972).

15.16.090 Charges for moving disabled aircraft - liability. Should pilots, owners or agents authorize airport employees to remove disabled aircraft from runways, ramps, taxiways or other operational or other areas on the airport, charges will be made for equipment and personnel at currently established prices and rates. Neither the airport nor King County, nor both the airport and King County, accept liability for removal of aircraft. (Ord. 16217 § 24, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 9, 1972).

15.16.100 Noise and slipstreams. No aircraft shall be operated in such a manner or in such places, in front of or near hangars, shops, buildings, personal property, or persons so that they are in the propeller slipstream or jet blast so that the operation creates a hazard or a nuisance. (Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 10, 1972).

15.16.110 Starting and running of aircraft engines. Except aircraft under the control of authorized maintenance shops, no aircraft engine shall be started or run unless a licensed pilot or mechanic is attending the controls. Chocks shall be placed in front of the main gear wheels before starting engine or engines unless the aircraft is equipped with and is using adequate parking brakes. (Ord. 16217 § 25, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 11, 1972).

15.16.120 Instructor responsibility. Instructors shall meet F.A.A. criteria for certification. Instructors shall fully acquaint their students with these rules and regulations and shall be responsible for the conduct of students under their direction during dual instructions. When the student is flying solo, it shall be the student's sole responsibility to observe and abide by these rules and regulations. (Ord. 16217 § 26, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IV § 12, 1972).

15.16.140 Parking gate assignment. Aircraft parking at Terminal Building gates and other public use ramps shall be assigned by the airport manager, or designee, and aircraft so assigned shall park in accordance with the assignment. (Ord. 16217 § 28, 2008: Ord. 3382 § 3, 1977).

15.16.150 Nighttime landings - Maximum number. No aircraft may perform "touch and go landings" (i.e., an operation by an aircraft that lands and departs on a runway

without stopping or exiting the runway) during a nighttime period. For purposes of this section, "nighttime period" means a period commencing at ten p.m. and ending at seven a.m. the following day. In addition, all nighttime flight activities shall be restricted to the west runway (31L - 13R). No nighttime flight operations shall take place on the east runway (31R - 13L).

Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent the Federal Aviation Administration Air Traffic Control tower from utilizing any runway at any time to ensure the safe operation of aircraft. (Ord. 4448 § 1, 1979).

15.20 AIRCRAFT - GENERALLY

Sections:

- 15.20.010 Scope of chapter - Exceptions.
- 15.20.020 Compliance with rules and regulations.
- 15.20.030 Adoption of Federal Aviation Administration rules.
- 15.20.040 Two-way radio required.
- 15.20.050 Radio procedures and frequencies.
- 15.20.060 Engine warm-up and runup places - propeller slipstream or jet blast.

15.20.010 Scope of chapter - Exceptions. This chapter shall govern the conduct of all persons engaged in aeronautical activities at B.F.I., or while flying in the B.F.I. traffic zone, unless exceptions are specifically provided for in federal air regulations, or unless exceptions not in conflict with federal air regulations are authorized by the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. V § 1, 1972).

15.20.020 Compliance with rules and regulations. No person shall navigate any aircraft, land upon, fly same from, service, maintain, repair any aircraft, or conduct any aircraft operations on or from B.F.I., otherwise than in conformity with all current federal, state, county rules and regulations including those rules and regulations established from time to time by the airport manager. (Ord. 16217 § 29, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. V § 2, 1972).

15.20.030 Adoption of Federal Aviation Administration rules. The air traffic rules as established by the F.A.A., and currently in effect, are adopted and made a part of these rules as fully as if the same and each were set forth herein. (Ord. 1159, Art. V § 3, 1972).

15.20.040 Two-way radio required. No aircraft may land or take off unless it is equipped with functioning two-way radio capable of two-way communication with B.F.I. air traffic control tower, except in case of emergencies. Two-way radio communication with B.F.I. air traffic control tower shall be provided for all aircraft movements on the operational areas of the airport including, but not limited to, aircraft in tow. (Ord. 3382 § 4, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. V § 4, 1972).

15.20.050 Radio procedures and frequencies. All radio transmission shall be in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission. (Ord. 1159, Art. V § 5, 1972).

15.20.060 Engine warm-up or runup places - propeller slipstream or jet blast. Aircraft engines may be started or warmed up, or engine runups performed, only in the places designated for such purposes by the airport manager. Caution must be exercised at all times to protect persons and property from the propeller slipstream or jet blast. (Ord. 16217 § 30, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. V § 6, 1972).

15.24 PUBLIC USE OF ROADS, WALKS AND FACILITIES

Sections:

- 15.24.010 Restricted areas.
- 15.24.020 Restricted areas - impoundment and removal.
- 15.24.030 Obstructions.
- 15.24.040 Type of vehicles.
- 15.24.050 Liability of county for injury.
- 15.24.060 Liquor and narcotics.
- 15.24.070 Lost articles.
- 15.24.080 Animals.

15.24.010 Restricted areas. No person or persons shall loiter in public areas on the airport for purpose of soliciting aircraft rides. No person shall enter any restricted area posted as being closed to the public, except:

- A. Persons assigned to duty thereon;
- B. Persons authorized by the airport manager;
- C. Passengers under appropriate supervision entering the apron for the purpose of embarkation and debarkation to and from aircraft. (Ord. 3382 § 5, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 1, 1972).

15.24.020 Restricted areas - impoundment and removal. No person shall travel or drive on the airport other than on the roads or places provided for that purpose and no vehicle shall be parked on any area other than those areas designated by the airport manager. Vehicles in violation of designated parking and travel areas shall be subject to ticketing or towing at the owner's expense. Vehicles, equipment and other property abandoned in the parking areas or any other areas of the airport may be impounded and removed. (Ord. 16217 § 31, 2008: Ord. 3382 § 6, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 2, 1972).

15.24.030 Obstructions. No person shall use the roads, walks or other thoroughfares in such manner as to hinder or obstruct their proper use. (Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 3, 1972).

15.24.040 Type of vehicles. The airport manager may prohibit from roads, walks and paved areas any type of vehicle equipped with other than pneumatic tires and other vehicles or equipment whose operation would damage said roads, walks and paved areas. (Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 4, 1972).

15.24.050 Liability of county for injury. King County assumes no responsibility for injury or damage to persons or property of persons, stored on, or using the airport facilities, by reason of fire, theft, vandalism, weather, storm, flood, earthquake, and collision, nor does it assume any liability by reason of injury to persons while on the airport or while using the facilities of same. (Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 5, 1972).

15.24.060 Liquor and narcotics. No person under the influence of liquor or narcotic drugs shall be allowed on the operational areas of the airport. Liquor shall not be consumed in any public area on the airport except in those places of business in possession of a valid Washington State Liquor Control Board permit. (Ord. 3382 § 7, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 6, 1972).

15.24.070 Lost articles. Any person finding lost articles shall deposit them at the office of the airport manager or airport air rescue fire fighting office. (Ord. 16217 § 32, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 7, 1972).

15.24.080 Animals. All animals shall be on a leash or caged and shall not be allowed on the operational areas of the airport. Any domestic animal found to be roaming free on airport property will be subject to impounding by the county animal authority. (Ord. 16217 § 33, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. VI § 8, 1972).

15.28 ACCIDENTS AND SAFETY

Sections:

- 15.28.010 Report of accidents.
- 15.28.020 Report of hazardous conditions.
- 15.28.030 Accidents on airport - closure.

15.28.010 Report of accidents. Any person involved in any accident on the airport, and all witnesses thereto, shall report to the airport manager's office or to the airport air rescue fire fighting office immediately. (Ord. 16217 § 34, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. VII § 1, 1972).

15.28.020 Report of hazardous conditions. Any person observing a condition or hazard that would jeopardize life, health, public safety, or damage to property, should report same to the airport manager's office or airport operations office or airport air rescue fire fighting office immediately. (Ord. 16217 § 35, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. VII § 2, 1972).

15.28.030 Accidents on airport - closure. In case of an accident on the airport, the airport may be closed to air operations and the public in order not to hamper the rescue or recovery operations. (Ord. 16217 § 36, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. VII § 3, 1972).

15.32 RULES OF CONDUCT

Sections:

- 15.32.010 Disorderly conduct.
- 15.32.020 Garbage and refuse.
- 15.32.030 Care of property.
- 15.32.040 Firearms, explosives and inflammable materials - prohibited - exceptions.

15.32.010 Disorderly conduct. No person shall commit any disorderly or unlawful act or commit any nuisance on the airport. (Ord. 1159, Art. VIII § 1, 1972).

15.32.020 Garbage and refuse. Garbage, papers and refuse, or other material, shall be placed in covered receptacles ordinarily used for such purposes. (Ord. 1159, Art. VIII § 2, 1972).

15.32.030 Care of property. No person shall:

- A. Destroy, injure, deface, or disturb in any way, any property, sign, structure, or other public property on the airport;
- B. Trespass on lawns and seeded areas or public art work on the airport;
- C. Abandon any personal property on the airport. (Ord. 16217 § 37, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. VIII § 3, 1972).

15.32.040 Firearms, explosives and inflammable materials - prohibited - exceptions. No person shall carry any firearms, explosives or flammable materials on the airport in any other manner than that provided by law, except by written permission of the airport manager. (Ord. 16217 § 38, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. VIII § 4, 1972).

15.36 MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS

Sections:

- 15.36.010 Speed limits - nonmotorized vehicles - enforcement.
- 15.36.020 Compliance with parking signs - ticketing - towing.
- 15.36.030 Employee parking.
- 15.36.040 Passenger loading.
- 15.36.050 Areas permitted to motor equipment.
- 15.36.060 Perimeter road.
- 15.36.070 Pedestrians.
- 15.36.080 Compliance with signs.
- 15.36.090 Compliance with code - Emergency provision.
- 15.36.100 Vehicle parking rates.

15.36.010 Speed limits - nonmotorized vehicles - enforcement. The maximum speed limit in all vehicular areas on the airport is twenty miles per hour, unless otherwise posted. Speed limit for vehicles operating in the airport operational area shall be fifteen miles per hour. Bicycles, skateboards and nonmotorized vehicles are prohibited on the airport airside service road, operations area and sidewalks. Airport operations office and the ARFF unit shall enforce all traffic regulations in accordance with the King County Traffic Code, K.C.C. Title 46. (Ord. 16217 § 39, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 9, 1972).

15.36.020 Compliance with parking signs - ticketing - towing. Vehicles shall not be parked on the airport other than in the manner and at parking areas indicated by posted traffic signs and curb markings. Vehicles in violation of designated parking and travel areas shall be subject to ticketing or towing at the owner's expense. (Ord. 16217 § 40, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 2, 1972).

15.36.030 Employee parking. Personnel employed on the airport shall park only in employee parking areas as designated by the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 3, 1972).

15.36.040 Passenger loading. No common carrier vehicle or vehicle for hire shall load or unload passengers at the airport other than in the area so designated as passenger loading zones. (Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 4, 1972).

15.36.050 Areas permitted to motor equipment. No motorized equipment shall be operated on the apron of the terminal building, or other areas not designated for vehicular traffic, except those authorized by the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 5, 1972).

15.36.060 Perimeter road. The Perimeter Road, as posted, shall be closed to all traffic except: official cars or trucks, or cars and trucks traveling on airport business, or those cars or trucks with written permission of the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 6, 1972).

15.36.070 Pedestrians. Pedestrians shall have the right-of-way over vehicular traffic and shall use pedestrian lanes wherever provided. (Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 7, 1972).

15.36.080 Compliance with signs. All vehicles shall be operated in accordance with all posted signs and pavement markings. (Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 8, 1972).

15.36.090 Compliance with code - Emergency provision. Motor vehicles shall be operated on the airport in strict accordance with the foregoing rules prescribed by the King County council and airport manager for the control of such vehicles, except in the case of emergency involving danger to life and property. (Ord. 1159, Art. IX § 9, 1972).

15.36.100 Vehicle parking rates. Vehicle parking rates may be implemented at King County International Airport at such a time when annual passenger enplanements exceed one hundred thousand or market conditions warrant. Vehicle parking rates shall be set by the airport manager to reflect fair market value. The airport may also contract for parking services with a parking service provider. All parking rates shall include applicable sales and use tax. These rates are subject to change without notice. (Ord. 16244 § 2, 2008; Ord. 16217 § 41, 2008 [repealed by 16244, § 12, 2008]; Ord. 1159, Art IX § 10, 1972).

15.40 FUELING AND FUEL STORAGE

Sections:

- 15.40.010 General safety.
- 15.40.020 Fueling while engine is running or in enclosed places prohibited.
- 15.40.030 Smoking prohibited.
- 15.40.040 Electronic or electrical equipment to remain off.
- 15.40.050 Grounding of electrical potential.
- 15.40.060 Prevention of overflow.
- 15.40.070 Attendant and stairs.
- 15.40.080 Personnel permitted.
- 15.40.090 Static spark materials.
- 15.40.100 Fire extinguishers.
- 15.40.110 Fuel spills - starting engine prohibited.
- 15.40.120 Equipment maintenance.
- 15.40.130 Grounding device.
- 15.40.140 Distance from buildings.
- 15.40.150 Smoking prohibited.
- 15.40.160 Equipment routes and parking.
- 15.40.170 Fire requirements for equipment.

15.40.010 General safety. No person in or upon any areas where fueling or defueling is being conducted shall do or fail to do any act if the doing or omission thereof endangers unreasonably or is likely to endanger unreasonably persons or property. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 1, 1972).

15.40.020 Fueling while engine is running or in enclosed places prohibited. No aircraft shall be fueled or drained of fuel while the engine is running or while such aircraft is in a hangar or enclosed space. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 2, 1972).

15.40.030 Smoking prohibited. The airport is a smoke free public facility. There is a no smoking on any public or leasehold ramps or other aircraft movement areas. (Ord. 16217 § 42, 2008: Ord. 3382 § 8, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. X § 3, 1972).

15.40.040 Electronic and electrical equipment to remain off. No person shall operate any radio transmitter or receiver, or switch electrical appliances off or on in an aircraft during fueling or draining of fuel. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 4, 1972).

15.40.050 Grounding of electrical potential. During refueling the aircraft and the fuel dispensing apparatus shall both be grounded and bonded to a point or points of zero electrical potential. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 5, 1972).

15.40.060 Prevention of overflow. Persons engaged in the fueling and draining of aircraft shall exercise care to prevent overflow of fuel. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 6, 1972).

15.40.070 Attendant and stairs. No passenger or passengers shall be permitted in any aircraft during fueling or defueling unless an aircraft attendant and passenger stairs are present at or near each cabin door ordinarily used by enplaning or deplaning passengers. (Ord. 16217 § 43, 2008: Ord. 3382 § 9, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. X § 7, 1972).

15.40.080 Personnel permitted. Only personnel engaged in the fueling, maintenance, and operation of an aircraft shall be permitted within one hundred feet of fuel tanks of such aircraft during any such operation. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 8, 1972).

15.40.090 Static spark materials. No person shall use any material during fueling or draining of fuel from aircraft which is likely to cause a static discharge. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 9, 1972).

15.40.100 Fire extinguishers. Adequate fire extinguishers shall be within ready reach of personnel engaged in fueling and draining operations. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 10, 1972).

15.40.110 Fuel spills - starting engine prohibited. No person shall start the engine of any aircraft when there is aviation gasoline, JetA fuel or gasoline on the ground under or nearby such aircraft. (Ord. 16217 § 45, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. X § 11, 1972).

15.40.120 Equipment maintenance. Fueling hoses and draining equipment shall be maintained in a safe, sound and nonleaking condition. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 12, 1972).

15.40.130 Grounding device. All hoses, funnels, and appurtenances used in fueling and draining operations shall be equipped with a grounding device to prevent ignition of volatile liquids. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 13, 1972).

15.40.140 Distance from buildings. The fueling and draining of aircraft fuel shall be conducted at a safe distance from any hangar or other building. (Ord. 16217 § 45, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. X § 14, 1972).

15.40.150 Smoking prohibited. The airport is a smoke free public facility. There is no smoking on any public or leasehold ramps or other aircraft movement areas. (Ord. 16217 § 46, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. X § 15, 1972).

15.40.160 Equipment routes and parking. Routes for fueling equipment and parking areas for fueling points will be designated by the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. X § 16, 1972).

15.40.170 Fire requirements for equipment. Fueling equipment must be equipped to fully meet all fire regulation requirements and shall comply with all existing fire regulations including an authorized permit properly affixed and displayed on full dispensing equipment. (Ord. 3382 § 10, 1977; Ord. 1159, Art. X § 17, 1972).

15.44 FIRE REGULATIONS

Sections:

- 15.44.010 Construction or alteration of buildings.
- 15.44.020 Cleaning with flammable liquids.
- 15.44.030 Open flame operations.
- 15.44.040 Storage of material and equipment.
- 15.44.050 Storage of flammable liquids.

15.44.010 Construction or alteration of buildings. All construction, maintenance, alterations of buildings, structures and shelters shall be done in conformance with the building and fire codes, and on approval of the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. XI § 1, 1972).

15.44.020 Cleaning with flammable liquids. No person shall use flammable volatile liquids in the cleaning of aircraft, aircraft engines, propellers, appliances or facilities unless such cleaning operations are conducted in open air, or in a properly ventilated room specifically set aside for that purpose, which room must be properly fireproofed and equipped with adequate and readily accessible fire extinguishing apparatus. (Ord. 16217 § 47, 2008; Ord. 1159, Art. XI § 2, 1972).

15.44.030 Open flame operations. No person shall conduct any open flame operation in any hangar or on the airport grounds, or part thereof, unless specifically authorized by the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. XI § 3, 1972).

15.44.040 Storage of material and equipment. No person shall store or stock material or equipment on the airport in such manner as to constitute a fire hazard. (Ord. 1159, Art. XI § 4, 1972).

15.44.050 Storage of flammable liquids. No person shall keep or store any flammable liquids, gases, signal flares, or other similar materials in the hangars or in any building on the airport; provided, that such materials may be kept in an aircraft in the proper receptacles installed in the aircraft for such purposes or in rooms or areas specifically approved for such storage by the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. XI § 5, 1972).

15.48 TAXICABS, LIMOUSINES AND FOR HIRE AUTOMOBILE SERVICE COMPANIES

(Formerly TAXICAB OPERATING AGREEMENT)

Sections:

- 15.48.010 Taxicabs' fee for privilege of operating at B.F.I.
- 15.48.020 Authority of airport manager to terminate operating agreements.
- 15.48.030 Taxicab companies to conform to regulations.
- 15.48.040 Fees.

15.48.050 Operating agreement.

15.48.010 Taxicabs' fee for privilege of operating at B.F.I. All taxicabs desiring to provide service from B.F.I. shall be charged a fee established by King County for the right and privilege to provide service from B.F.I. An appropriate sticker shall be conspicuously displayed as prescribed by the airport on each taxicab. (Ord. 1159, Art. XII § 1, 1972).

15.48.020 Authority of airport manager to terminate operating agreements. The airport manager shall have the right to terminate taxicab operating agreements for violations of rules and regulations and terms and conditions of the agreement. (Ord. 1159, Art. XII § 2, 1972).

15.48.030 Taxicab companies to conform to regulations. All taxicab companies desiring to provide service from B.F.I. must conform with the requirements of the proper governmental authority which has jurisdiction over such regulation of taxicabs. All taxicab companies must comply with the regulations in effect at B.F.I. (Ord. 16217 § 48, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. XII § 3, 1972).

15.48.040 Fees. All taxicab, limousine or for hire automobile service companies providing service from B.F.I. pursuant to the terms and conditions stated in K.C.C. chapter 15.48 shall pay to the airport five hundred dollars per calendar year for an operating agreement by the airport. Such operating agreements shall be required when annual airport passenger enplanements exceed one hundred thousand or F.A.A. Part 121 commercial air service is approved. No fee shall be charged by the airport for the delivery of passengers to the airport. (Ord. 16244 § 3, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 49, 2008 [repealed by 16244 § 12, 2008]: Ord. 1159, Art. XX § 1, 1972).

15.48.050 Operating agreement. The agreement as referred to in Chapter 15.48 of this title shall be in a form as prescribed by the airport and the fee specified in Section 15.48.040 above shall be remitted upon application for an operating agreement. The fee will not be prorated for a portion of the calendar year in which the operating agreement is issued. (Ord. 1159, Art. XX § 2, 1972).

CROSS REFERENCE: Taxis - Businesses and Drivers, see K.C.C. chapter 6.64.

15.52 SCHEDULE OF FEES, RENTALS, RATES, CHARGES AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

Sections:

- 15.52.010 Rentals, rates, charges and conditions for use of the airport.
- 15.52.020 Current rates.
- 15.52.030 Revision of rates and charges.
- 15.52.040 Delinquent payments.
- 15.52.050 Establishment of rates and charges.
- 15.52.060 Charges.
- 15.52.065 Market rental rate or charge for facilities use.
- 15.52.090 Payment of fees - when - penalties.

15.52.010 Rentals, rates, charges and conditions for use of the airport. Rentals, rates, charges and conditions for use of the airport and its public facilities shall be

those specified in this chapter and may be amended from time to time by the King County council. (Ord. 1159, Art. XIII § 1, 1972).

15.52.020 Current rates. A complete copy of all existing, current rates, fees and charges applicable to B.F.I. is available upon request from the office of the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. XIII § 2, 1972).

15.52.030 Revision of rates and charges. The King County council reserves the right to revise, delete, amend, or add to these schedule of fees, rentals, rates, charges, and general conditions with due notice. (Ord. 1159, Art. XIII § 3, 1972).

15.52.040 Delinquent payments. Any person determined to be delinquent in the person's payment for the use of airport facilities may be promptly removed from the airport by or under the authority of the airport manager, and may be deprived of, or refused the further use of, the airport and its facilities. (Ord. 18670 § 72, 2018: Ord. 1159, Art. XIII § 4, 1972).

15.52.050 Establishment of rates and charges. The airport manager, with approval of the King County council, may establish charges or rates not covered by the schedule of fees. (Ord. 1159, Art. XIII § 5, 1972).

15.52.060 Charges. Charges shall be made for storage of aircraft on county property, except that short-term, transient aircraft parking provided adjacent to the terminal building for aircraft weighing zero to twelve thousand five hundred pounds shall be free for the first hour. The pilot shall notify the airport operations office upon arrival. All other aircraft parking shall have the rates specified in K.C.C. 4A.700.850. (Ord. 18293 § 1, 2016: Ord. 17919 § 2, 2014: Ord. 16244 § 4, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 50, 2008 [repealed by 16244 § 12, 2008]: Ord. 16025 § 2, 2008: Ord. 15639 § 2, 2006: Ord. 15315 § 2, 2005: Ord. 10500 § 1, 1992).

15.52.065 Market rental rate or charge for facilities use. All airport facilities used by the general public, tenants and public and private organizations, including governmental units and agencies, may be assessed a market rental rate or charge for the use of facilities. For the purpose of this section, "facilities" include, but are not limited to, rooms, public areas, parking lots, aircraft ramps and terminal building as well as water, storm water or other utility systems. (Ord. 17919 § 4, 2014).

15.52.090 Payment of fees - when - penalties. Payment of monthly fees is due and payable in advance on the first day of each calendar month. Payment of daily parking fees shall be made prior to departure of aircraft, unless arrangements have been approved by the airport manager. Airport late fees and penalties shall be assessed in the amount of one and one-half percent per month for unpaid rates, charges or fees. Failure to pay airport rates, charges and fees or rents may, at the sole discretion of the airport manager, result in a loss of use of airport facilities and legal action to recover unpaid rates, charges or fees. (Ord. 16244 § 5, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 53, 2008 [repealed by 16244 § 12, 2008]: Ord. 1159, Art XIII § 9, 1972).

15.56 AVIATION FUEL SALES - FIELD USE FEES

Sections:

- 15.56.010 Charge on company selling or delivering fuel - monthly report - penalties.

15.56.010 Charge on company selling or delivering fuel - monthly report - penalties. Oil companies or fuel distributor companies, or both, engaged in the business of selling or delivering aviation fuel to any individual, business firm, United States government or organization on B.F.I., or selling aviation fuel to any individual, business firm, United States government or organization to be used in aircraft located on or being serviced to take off from B.F.I., shall pay a fuel field use fee charge in an amount specified in K.C.C. 4A.700.860.A. This charge shall be collected by the oil companies or fuel distributor companies, or both, making the sale or delivery and reported in a form prescribed by and acceptable to the airport manager with remittance made to the airport on or before the twentieth of each month. Airport late fees and penalties shall be assessed in the amount specified in K.C.C. 4A.700.860.B. Failure to pay airport rates, charges and fees or rents may, at the sole discretion of the airport manager, result in a loss of use of airport facilities and legal action to recover unpaid rates, charges or fees. (Ord. 17919 § 5, 2014: Ord. 16244 § 6, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 54, 2008 [repealed by Ord. 16244, § 12, 2008]: Ord. 15639 § 4, 2006: Ord. 15315 § 4, 2005: Ord. 15061 § 4, 2004: Ord. 6246 § 2, 1982: Ord. 3382 § 13, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. XIV § 1, 1972).

15.60 PAYMENT - LANDING, TIE-DOWN AND OTHER FEES

Sections:

15.60.010 Payment - lien.

15.60.010 Payment - lien. No person shall allow any aircraft owned by the person or under the person's control to land, take off, use B.F.I. facilities or be parked or tied down on B.F.I. without causing all applicable landing, tie-down or other fees respecting such aircraft or use of B.F.I. facilities to be paid. Any such fees that become due and owing shall constitute a lien on such aircraft. Airport late fees and penalties shall be assessed in the amount of one and one-half percent per month for unpaid rates, charges or fees. Failure to pay airport rates, charges and fees or rents may, at the sole discretion of the airport manager, result in either a loss of use of airport facilities or legal action to recover unpaid rates, charges or fees, or both the loss of use and legal action. (Ord. 16244 § 7, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 55, 2008 [repealed by Ord. 16244, § 12, 2008]: Ord. 3382 § 16, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art XV § 1, 1972).

15.64 OPERATIONS OF AIRCRAFT - APPLICATION OF CHARGES

Sections:

15.64.020 Landing fees - penalties.
15.64.030 Monthly report.
15.64.040 Payment.
15.64.050 Schedule defined.
15.64.060 Passenger terminal user fee.
15.64.070 Landing fees - exemptions.

15.64.020 Landing fees - penalties. Aircraft operating in accordance with this chapter are subject to a landing fee in an amount specified in K.C.C. 4A.700.870. Failure to pay airport rates, charges and fees or rents may, at the sole discretion of the airport manager, result in a loss of use of airport facilities and legal action to recover unpaid rates, charges or fees. [Airport late fees and penalties shall be assessed in the amount of one and one-half percent per month for unpaid rates, charges or fees. Failure to pay airport rates, charges and fees or rents shall result in a loss of use of airport facilities.]* (Ord.

17919 § 7, 2014: Ord. 16244 § 8, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 57, 2008 [repealed by Ord. 16244 § 12, 2008]: Ord. 15954 § 4, 2007: Ord. 15639 § 6, 2006: Ord. 15315 § 6, 2005: Ord. 15061 § 6, 2004: Ord. 3382 § 20, 1977: Ord. 1159 Art. XVI § 2, 1972).

Reviser's note: Material not included in Ordinance 17919 § 7 but not deleted as required by K.C.C. 1.24.075.

15.64.030 Monthly report. Monthly reports containing all data required to determine airport charges, if required, shall be prepared and signed by an official representative of the owner and/or operator of aircraft operating pursuant to this chapter and submitted to the airport manager by the tenth day of the following month. (Ord. 1159, Art. XVI § 3, 1972).

15.64.040 Payment. Payment of charges pursuant to this chapter shall be made prior to the departure of aircraft, unless arrangements have been approved by the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. XVI § 4, 1972).

15.64.050 Schedule defined. The term "schedule" shall mean proposed regular departure of an aircraft at a specified time, daily or periodically, during a calendar month (legally filed with the appropriate agencies and approved by them). Scheduled airline shall include all air-taxi, commuter, third-level and other scheduled airlines utilizing the facilities at B.F.I. for the purpose of enplaning and/or deplaning revenue passengers or carrying freight, mail, or cargo on a scheduled basis. (Ord. 3382 § 19, 1977).

15.64.060 Passenger terminal user fee. A passenger terminal user fee in the amount of one dollar per deplaning passenger shall be charged to the owner or operator of aircraft with a passenger seating capacity of ten or greater operating pursuant to this chapter. This fee shall apply to passenger deplanement made through or into the passenger terminal building or buildings on B.F.I. (Ord. 16244 § 9, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 58, 2008 [repealed by Ord. 16244 § 12, 2008]: Ord. 3382 § 21, 1977).

15.64.070 Landing fees - exemptions.

A. Aircraft, based or not based at the airport, and operated for hire or compensation or engaged in commercial business activity, regardless of weight, shall pay a landing fee based on the aircraft certificated maximum gross landing weight as published in the manufacturer's aircraft operating manual.

B. The following exemptions to the landing fee apply:

1. General aviation aircraft based at the airport, regardless of weight and with a King County airport lease, agreement or permit are exempt from the landing fee;

2. General aviation aircraft that are not airport based but are using the airport, and that are twelve thousand five hundred pounds and under as published in the manufacturer's aircraft operating manual and are not for hire or provided compensation or engaged in commercial business activity, such as scheduled and other certificated air carriers, aircraft charters, air-taxi, air cargo, air courier, air travel clubs and air ambulance are exempt from the landing fee;

3. Aircraft based at the airport and operated by flight schools or operated for the purpose of flight instruction and performing "touch and go landings" by which an aircraft lands and departs on a runway without stopping or exiting the runway shall be charged a landing fee only if the aircraft exits the runway;

4. Humanitarian flights, also known as angel flights, which are operated as not-for-profit or nonrevenue generating flights for humanitarian, medical or disaster relief purposes are exempt from the landing fee; and

5. Any aircraft exempt under state or federal statute or regulatory code is exempt from the landing fee. (Ord. 16244 § 10, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 59, 2008 [repealed by Ord. 16244 § 12, 2008]: Ord. 3382 § 22, 1977).

15.72 GROUND RENTALS

Sections:

- 15.72.010 Rates specified.
- 15.72.020 Lease defined.
- 15.72.030 Physical improvements.
- 15.72.040 Utilities and other services.
- 15.72.050 Payment.

15.72.010 Rates specified. [With the exception of rental rate adjustments in this section, g]round* space on airport property shall be leased in accordance with K.C.C. chapter 4.56 and the rental rate shall be based upon fair market rental value as required by chapter 4.56 of this code. Annual rent adjustments for intervening years between fair market value appraisals may be established using the most-recent Consumer Price Index for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton urban area - all urban consumers. The Consumer Price Index rent adjustment shall not be greater than six percent above the amount charged during the prior year and in no cases shall be less than the amount charged for the prior year. If the rent adjustment is made due to a new fair market value appraisal, and that value is greater than the prior year's rent, then the new fair market value appraisal becomes the new rent, and the new base for the application of future Consumer Price Index adjustments. If the new fair market value appraisal is less than the prior year's Consumer Price Index-adjusted rent, then the prior year's Consumer Price Index-adjusted rent shall remain in effect and shall become the new base rent. Rents shall be adjusted on January 1 of each year. (Ord. 17919 § 9, 2014: Ord. 3382 § 24, 1977: Ord. 1159, Art. XVIII § 1, 1972).

Reviser's note: Material added in Ordinance 17919 but not displayed as required by K.C.C. 1.24.075.

15.72.020 Lease defined. "Lease" as defined means ground space acquired for a minimum of one year under legal agreement with King County. (Ord. 1159, Art. XVIII § 2, 1972).

15.72.030 Physical improvements. Physical improvements may be constructed at the expense of the tenant, but only if the location and type of construction has prior written approval of the airport manager and in accordance with airport minimum standards. Tenants must, at all times, maintain physical improvements in good condition and in conformity with the requirements of King County. (Ord. 16217 § 60, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. XVIII § 3, 1972).

15.72.040 Utilities and other services. Utilities and other services which may be required by the tenant in the rental area shall be paid for by the tenant unless otherwise provided. (Ord. 1159, Art. XVIII § 4, 1972).

15.72.050 Payment. All rental charges shall be due and payable in advance. (Ord. 1159, Art. XVIII § 5, 1972).

15.76 HANGARS AND OFFICES - COUNTY-OWNED

Sections:

- 15.76.010 Rates specified.
- 15.76.020 Physical improvements.
- 15.76.030 Payment.
- 15.76.040 Utilities and other services - payment.

15.76.010 Rates specified. Hangar space and office space in county-owned facilities will be leased or rented based upon the rental rate and terms established from time to time by King County. Airport property rental rate shall be based upon fair market rental value as required by K.C.C. chapter 4.56. A hangar wait list shall be maintained by the airport and a one time wait list application fee of one-hundred dollars shall be charged. The wait list application fee shall be applied to the first monthly rental charge. A nonrefundable annual fee of ten dollars shall be charged hangar wait list applicants to cover list administrative costs. (Ord. 16244 § 11, 2008: Ord. 16217 § 61, 2008 [repealed by Ord. 16244 § 12, 2008]: Ord. 1159, Art XIX, § 1, 1972).

15.76.020 Physical improvements. Tenants must, at all times, maintain physical improvements in good condition and in conformity with the requirements of King County. No improvements or physical changes in the area leased or rented shall be made without prior written approval of the airport manager. (Ord. 1159, Art. XIX § 2, 1972).

15.76.030 Payment. Prompt payment for space rented or leased on B.F.I. shall be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement. (Ord. 1159, Art. XIX § 3, 1972).

15.76.040 Utilities and other services - payment. Utilities and other services that may be required by the tenant in the rental area or facilities shall be paid for by the tenant unless otherwise provided. (Ord. 16217 § 62, 2008).

15.80 PENALTIES

(Formerly PENALTIES AND CONSTRUCTION OF TITLE)

Sections:

- 15.80.010 Violators prohibited use of airport.
- 15.80.020 Penalties.

15.80.010 Violators prohibited use of airport. Any person, including any person who operates or handles any aircraft, operates any vehicle, equipment or apparatus, who fails to comply with airport rules or regulations, or is determined to be delinquent in the person's payment for the use of airport facilities, may be promptly removed from the airport by or under the authority of the airport manager; and may be deprived of, or refused the further use of, the airport, and its facilities for such length of time as may be determined by either the airport manager or the King County council, or both. (Ord. 18670 § 73, 2018: Ord. 1159, Art. XXI § 1, 1972).

15.80.020 Penalties. Violation of this chapter constitutes an infraction violation and the punishment shall be as provided by the laws of King County or the state of Washington. Regulatory infractions such as building and fire code or use shall be corrected by the leaseholder. Failure to correct infractions will result in loss of use of airport facilities. (Ord. 16217 § 63, 2008: Ord. 1159, Art. XXI § 2, 1972).

15.90 MUSEUM OF FLIGHT AUTHORITY

Sections:

15.90.010	Authority created.
15.90.020	Name.
15.90.030	Definitions.
15.90.040	Powers.
15.90.050	Charter.
15.90.060	Effect of issuance of charter.
15.90.070	Board of directors.
15.90.080	Organization of board of directors.
15.90.090	Bylaws.
15.90.100	Quorum.
15.90.110	Dissolution.
15.90.120	Board removal.
15.90.130	Ancillary authority.
15.90.140	Construction.

15.90.010 Authority created.

A. **AUTHORITY CREATED.** A public authority is hereby created, with powers and limitations as set forth in its charter and this chapter, exclusively to undertake, assist with and otherwise facilitate or provide for the development and operation of a first class air and space museum as authorized under RCW 35.21.730 through 35.21.755.

B. **COUNTY LIABILITY LIMITED.** The authority is an independent legal entity exclusively responsible for its own debts, obligations and liabilities. All liabilities incurred by the authority shall be satisfied exclusively from the assets and credit of the authority; no creditor or other person shall have any recourse to the assets, credit, or services of the county on account of any debts, obligations, liabilities, acts or omissions of the authority. (Ord. 7444 § 1, 1985).

15.90.020 Name. The name of the public authority shall be the King County Museum of Flight Authority. (Ord. 7444 § 2, 1985).

15.90.030 Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

A. "Board of directors" or "board" means the governing body vested with the management of the affairs of the public authority.

B. "Bylaws" means the rules adopted for the regulation or management of the affairs of the public authority adopted by this chapter and all subsequent amendments thereto.

C. "Charter" means the articles of organization of the public authority adopted by this chapter and all subsequent amendments thereto.

D. "Council clerk" means the clerk of the King County council or a person authorized to act on the council clerk's behalf; and in the event of reorganization of the office of council clerk, the successor official performing such duties or a person authorized to act on the successor's behalf.

E. "County" means King County.

F. "County council" means the body established under Article 2 of the King County Charter.

G. "County executive" means the county executive of King County, as established by Article 3 of the King County Charter.

H. "Director" means a member of the board.

- I. "Public authority" or "authority" means the authority created under this ordinance.
- J. "Resolution" means an action of the board with the quorum required in K.C.C. 15.90.100.
- K. "State," when used as a noun, means the state of Washington. (Ord. 18670 § 74, 2018: Ord. 7444 § 3, 1985).

15.90.040 Powers. Except as limited by the state constitution, the King County Charter, this chapter, or the charter of the public authority, the public authority shall have and may exercise all lawful powers necessary or convenient to effect the purposes for which the public authority is organized and to perform authorized corporate functions, as provided in its charter. (Ord. 7444 § 4, 1985).

15.90.050 Charter. The charter of the authority, Exhibit A* of Ordinance 7444, is hereby approved. The charter shall be issued in duplicate originals, each bearing the county seal attested by the council clerk. One original shall be recorded with the records and licensing services division, or its successor agency; a duplicate original shall be provided to the authority. The charter shall be amended only by county ordinance adopted at or after a public hearing held with notice to the public authority and authority directors and affording them a reasonable opportunity to be heard and present testimony. (Ord. 15971 § 84, 2007: Ord. 14498 § 23, 2002: Ord. 14176 § 2, 2001: Ord. 7444 § 5, 1985).

***Available in the King County Archives.**

15.90.060 Effect of issuance of charter. The public authority shall commence its existence effective upon issuance of its charter. Except as against the state or the county in a proceeding to cancel or revoke the charter, delivery of a duplicate original charter shall conclusively establish that the public authority has been established in compliance with the procedures of this chapter. (Ord. 7444 § 6, 1985).

15.90.070 Board of directors. A board consisting of seven directors (the "board of directors") is hereby established to govern the affairs of the public authority. The directors shall be appointed and serve their terms as provided in the charter. All corporate powers of the public authority shall be exercised by or under the authority of the board of directors; and the business, property and affairs of the authority shall be managed under the direction of the board of directors, except as may be otherwise provided for by law or in the charter. (Ord. 7444 § 7, 1985).

15.90.080 Organization of board of directors. Upon issuance of the charter, the county executive or designee shall call an organizational meeting of the initial board of directors within ten days, giving at least three days' advance written notice to each, unless waived in writing. At such meeting, the board shall organize itself, may appoint officers and select the place of business. (Ord. 18670 § 75, 2018: Ord. 14199 § 221, 2001: Ord. 7444 § 8, 1985).

15.90.090 Bylaws.

A. The initial bylaws (the "bylaws") of the public authority, Exhibit B of Ordinance 7444*, are hereby approved. The power to alter, amend, or repeal the bylaws or adopt new ones shall be vested in the board except as otherwise provided in the charter. The bylaws shall be consistent with the charter.

B. As necessary and appropriate, the county council may amend the authority bylaws by ordinance adopted at or after a public hearing held with notice to the public

authority and authority directors and affording them a reasonable opportunity to be heard and present testimony. (Ord. 7444 §9, 1985).

***Available in the King County Archives.**

15.90.100 Quorum. At all meetings of the board of directors, a majority of the board of directors then in office shall constitute a quorum. (Ord. 7444 § 10, 1985).

15.90.110 Dissolution.

A. If the county council makes an affirmative finding that dissolution is warranted for any reason, the existence of a public authority may be terminated by ordinance of the county council adopted at or after a public hearing, held with notice to the public authority and authority directors and affording them a reasonable opportunity to be heard and present testimony. Dissolution shall be accomplished as provided in the charter and shall not take effect until proper provision has been made for disposition of all authority assets.

B. Upon satisfactory completion of dissolution proceedings, the council clerk shall indicate such dissolution by inscription of "charter canceled" on the original charter of the public authority, on file with the county and, when available, on the duplicate original of the public authority, and the existence of the public authority shall cease. The council clerk shall give notice thereof pursuant to state law and to other persons requested by the public authority in its dissolution statement.

C. Upon dissolution of the authority and the winding up of its affairs, title to all remaining assets or property of the authority shall vest in King County unless the county council or trustee or court has provided for the transfer of any authority rights, assets or property to a qualified entity or entities which will fulfill the purposes for which the authority was chartered. (Ord. 7444 § 11, 1985).

15.90.120 Board removal. If it is determined for any reason that any or all of the board members should be removed from office, after a full public hearing, the county may by ordinance remove any or all voting board members from office. The term of any board member removed pursuant to this section shall expire when the removal ordinance takes effect. Vacancies created under this section shall be filled in the same manner as provided in the charter. (Ord. 7444 § 12, 1985).

15.90.130 Ancillary authority. The county executive is granted all such power and authority as reasonably necessary or convenient to enable the county executive to administer this chapter efficiently and to perform the duties imposed in this chapter or the authority charter. (Ord. 18670 § 76, 2018: Ord. 7444 § 13, 1985).

15.90.140 Construction. This chapter shall be liberally construed so as to effectuate its purposes and the purposes of RCW 35.21.730.755. (Ord. 7444 § 14, 1985).

15.94 AIRPORT ROUNDTABLE

Sections:

- 15.94.010 Establishment and composition.
- 15.94.020 Scope and charge.
- 15.94.030 Appointment and terms.
- 15.94.040 Administrative support.
- 15.94.050 Compensation.

15.94.010 Establishment and composition. The King County Airport roundtable, which, for the purposes of this chapter, is also known as "the roundtable," is hereby established. It shall be comprised of eighteen regular voting members representing the following interests: ten representatives of communities directly affected by the airport, including one each from Georgetown, Magnolia or North Seattle, Tukwila, Renton/Kent/South King County, Beacon Hill, Rainier Valley, West Seattle, unincorporated King County, South Park and one at-large; four airport tenant representatives, one each from a cargo operator or scheduled air carrier, small general aviation and corporate tenants and one from Boeing; one representative from a pilots' association; one representative from a commercial enterprise that is an off-site user or an off-site provider of airport-related services; and two labor representatives. In addition, the Federal Aviation Administration may designate one ex officio nonvoting member. (Ord. 19713 § 2, 2023: Ord. 16217 § 65, 2008: Ord. 12785 § 1, 1997).

15.94.020 Scope and charge.

A. The roundtable shall advise and make recommendations to the airport management, county executive and county council on the airport budget, programs, regulations, master plans and noise reduction strategies and other related matters.

B. The roundtable shall adopt bylaws and operating rules consistent with this chapter and other applicable county policies by a majority vote of its members.

C. If approved by a majority of roundtable members, the roundtable may appoint subcommittees. Subcommittee membership may include representatives who are not regular members of the roundtable. In appointing any subcommittee, the roundtable shall reflect the charge to the subcommittee in the minutes of the meeting at which the decision was made and shall indicate in the minutes whether the subcommittee is intended to be a standing subcommittee or an ad hoc subcommittee for a limited duration. (Ord. 12785 § 2, 1997).

15.94.030 Appointment and terms.

A. Except for the five members representing Georgetown, Tukwila, Beacon Hill, Rainier Valley, and South Park, regular members, as defined in K.C.C. 15.94.010, shall be appointed by the county executive subject to confirmation by the county council by motion. The executive may appoint nonvoting ex officio members who shall serve at the executive's discretion.

B. The five members representing Georgetown, Tukwila, Beacon Hill, Rainier Valley, and South Park shall be nominated for appointment by the executive in consultation with the elected representative or representatives of the community's respective county council district or districts and approved by motion of the county council and may be reappointed by the executive in consultation with the elected representative or representatives of the community's respective county council district or districts to serve up to two full consecutive terms, subject to confirmation by the council by motion.

C. Except as otherwise provided in subsection B. of this section, members may be reappointed by the executive to serve up to two full consecutive terms, subject to confirmation by the council by motion.

D. Representatives of Boeing and labor are exempt from term limits.

E. Members shall serve a term of three years or until their successor is appointed and confirmed as provided in this chapter. The terms of office shall be staggered consistent with K.C.C. chapter 2.28.

F. A vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the term of the vacant position in the manner described in the initial appointment.

G. A majority of the committee shall elect one of its members as chair. The term of the chair shall be for one year and the chair shall not serve more than two consecutive terms as chair. (Ord. 19713 § 3, 2023: Ord. 16641 § 1, 2009: Ord. 12785 § 3, 1997).

15.94.040 Administrative support. The airport manager shall be responsible for convening, facilitating and providing administrative support to the roundtable. (Ord. 16217 § 67, 2008: Ord. 12785 § 4, 1997).

15.94.050 Compensation. In accordance with K.C.C. 2.28.006, members of the roundtable who are neither employees of King County nor employees of other municipal governments may receive per diem compensation. The purpose is to compensate community members for contributing their experience and expertise to the roundtable. Payment of compensation shall comply with federal obligations. (Ord. 19713 § 4, 2023: Ord. 12785 § 5, 1997).

15.96 SECURITY PROGRAM - REQUIREMENTS - FEE

Sections:

15.96.010 Security program - requirements - fee.

15.96.010 Security program - requirements - fee. The airport shall maintain a security program in compliance with F.A.A. and Transportation Security Administration guidance. The airport shall maintain an access control system for airfield and building security. The airfield and building access control system shall include a badge system for employees, tenants, tenant employees, vendors, suppliers, contractors and guests. Airport employees, tenants and other personnel are required to obtain and display an airport issued photo identification badge while at the airport and in airport regulated buildings. All badges are the property of the airport and shall be returned to the airport operations and compliance office upon termination of leases, employment or other activity. The airport may impose an administrative fee as part of the annual county budget process for issuing airport badges. The airport shall impose an administrative fee of twenty-five dollars for replacement of lost, stolen or nonreturned security badges. (Ord. 16217 § 68, 2008).