



Think about how you sound when you ask for a fax. Do you REALLY need it? Nope.

GenDecs
Personally Identifiable Information



CBP General Aviation



General Aviation Processing (GAP) 101

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Agenda

- 1) Introduction to General Aviation
- 2) Things You Need...
- 3) Things You Don't Need...
- 4) TECS GAP Module
- 5) Closeout, Moving Forward

1 – Introduction to General Aviation

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What is General Aviation?

For CBP processing, General Aviation (GA) aircraft are comprised of private and non-scheduled, commercial aircraft.

“Private Aircraft” are generally defined as aircraft which are not carrying passengers and/or cargo for “commercial purposes” (that is, for payment or other consideration).

“Commercial Aircraft” are generally defined as aircraft “transporting passengers and/or cargo for some payment or other consideration, including money or services rendered.” Commercially scheduled carriers and airlines are not included within the General Aviation scope.

For all arrivals to and departures from the United States, Advance Passenger Information System (APIS) manifest information is required of all General Aviation operators. The APIS manifest is the virtual representation of all GA flights. As such, pilots and operators of GA aircraft are responsible for transmitting APIS manifest information that is correct, valid, accurate, complete, and transmitted within specified timeline requirements.

General Aviation Scope

Where we are, what we do?

- 390 Airports Where CBP Services are Normally Available to General Aviation Operators
- ~200,000 arrivals/year
- ~1,000,000 travelers processed/year
- Over 100,000 eAPIS Users
- Over 1,000 GA commercial aircraft operators

Who is a GA Operator?

- Recreational Pilots (Tourism)
- Corporate, Business Aviation
- Air Ambulance Operations
- Oil Field Transports
- On-Demand Charter Operators
- Disaster Relief Flights
- Specialized Cargo Operations
- Human Remains Return Flights

- Wide Variety
- Pro/Am Spectrum

General Aviation Principles and Missions

GA Compliance Initiatives

- Win-Win Solutions
- Facilitation of Legitimate Trade and Travel
- Education vs. Penalty
- Business Practice Changes
- Corrective Measures
- Confidential Human Source Development
- Be the Hero

Reasonable

Responsible

Consistent

Even-Handed

Coordinated

Methodical

GA Enforcement Initiatives

- Protect the Nation
- Reasonable, Responsible, and Consistent Enforcement
- Illegal Charter Operators
- Illicit Exports
- Drug-Trafficking
- Drug-Trafficking Organizations
- Human Trafficking
- Subject Identification
- Confidential Human Source Development
- LEO Leverage Points
- Enriched Targeting Techniques
- Increased NTC-AMOC Visibility and Reach

We protect the nation and facilitate legitimate trade and travel.

These two missions are not mutually exclusive; same principles, same tenacity apply.

How Does CBP Process GA Flights?

- APIS
- Permission to Land
- Physical In-Person Traveler Processing
- Physical Inspection of All Aircraft
 - Conveyance Inspection
 - Non-Intrusive Inspection (NII) for Radiological and Nuclear Materials
 - Aircraft Documentation
 - Pilot Licensing
 - User Fee Compliance
 - APHIS, USDA, and other Agricultural Inspections and Compliance
 - Baggage/Cargo
- Recording all Aircraft Inspections
- Reconciling all GA Manifest Submissions

2 – Things You Need

Things You Need

- Knowledge
- Confidence
- Poise
- A Plan, A Method
- A Sense of What is Reasonable and Responsible
- Professionalism
- Self-Awareness
- Ability to Work with a Team

Tools You Need

- GA National Team
- Airport Fact Sheets
- Centralized Group Mailbox?
- TECS – GAP Module
- UPAX
- WebAMOSS

The GA Teams Platform

General Posts Files Wiki +

GA National Team, Good News! for U.S. hunters traveling abroad.

See more

CBP Form 4457 with no Expiration Date.docx

6 replies from LARISSA, ANDREW, HEZEKIAH, and 3 others

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Interactive Post Discussions

RODRIGUEZ, ERIC M 10/5 8:33 AM

Aircraft Registration Documents

Morning, GA National Team!

See more

5 replies from you and WILLIAM

Reply

RODRIGUEZ, ERIC M 10/5 8:57 AM

Welcome new Team Members RO SANTANA, BRAULIO, SEEGER, TO DIUSTIN K RBYAN KYIE GONZA

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3 replies from you, FABIAN, and ALEJANDRO

GONZALEZ, JAIRON 10/5 1:09 PM

Thank you, glad to be here

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Memoranda, Guidance, and Reference Documents > Job Aids

Name	Modified	Modified By	Enterprise Keywords
Agriculture (includes Biological Material)	October 15, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	
Aircraft Imports and Repairs	October 15, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	
Bonds	October 15, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	
Firearms	April 29	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	#GAteam
Human Remains	October 14, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	
International Trips Service Providers (ISP)	October 15, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	
PTP_ITP	April 29	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	#GAteam
Radiation Screening	October 15, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	
Single Syntax	October 26, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	#GAteam
Aviation Ramp Checks.pdf	October 25, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	#GAteam #GARampchecks
GA System Access and Helpful Links .pdf	October 25, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	#GAsystemaccess #GAteam
GA System Access Job Aid.pdf	October 25, 2021	WESCOTT, ANDRE...	#GAsystemaccess #GAteam

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WebAMOSS changes in production now!

WEBAMOSS Enhancements

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September 7, 2022

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Interesting Read

Enforcement

The Mexican 'narco-pilot' who eluded the DEA assuming nine different identities

The Mexican 'narco-pilot' who eluded the DEA assuming nine different identities
It took five years to arrest Ronier Sánchez and six before he was finally extradited to the state of Connecticut, where he is now facing trial

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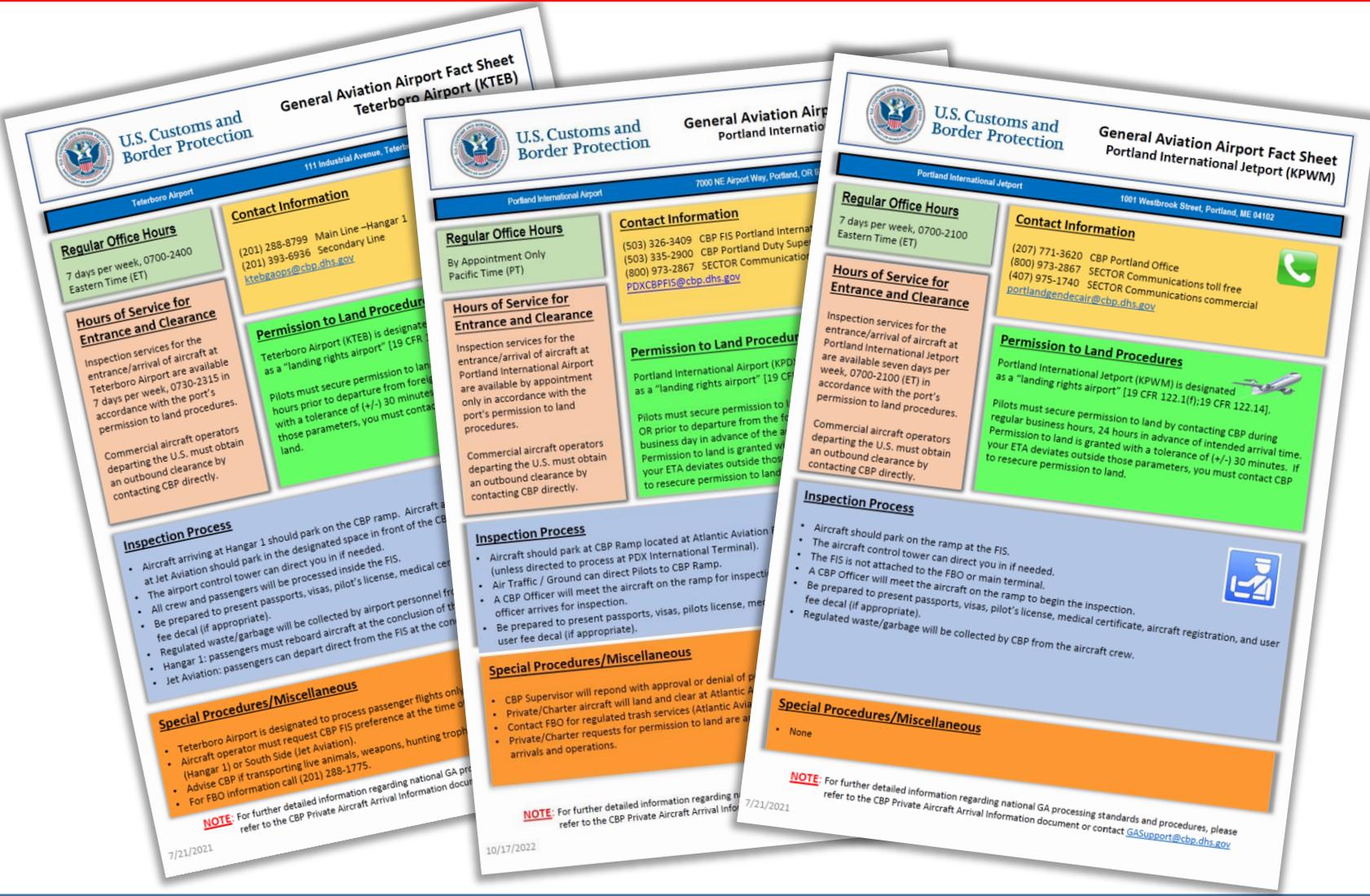
"...Vásquez explained that they were paid \$9,000 for each kilo of cocaine and that at least two pairs of drivers, also called *capis* or chauffeurs, are usually used. To avoid

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Enforcement Channel

Airport Fact Sheets



Standardized Format

Contact Information

Systematically Sent From GAP with Permission to Land Messages

300 Fact Sheets Created with Ports in Live Production

Standardized Messaging Within Ports

Check the Blue Box

General Aviation Processing (GAP) TECS Module

Daily Logistics and Planning

Penalty Case Proposals

AMO/NTC Reference Source

GA Aircraft Inspection Recordation

Centralized Overflight
Exemption Processing

APIS Query Hit Results

Manual Flight Entries

Direct Email Functionality

The screenshot shows the search interface of the TECS - General Aviation Processing (GAP) system. It features a search criteria form with various dropdown menus and input fields. Below the form is a table of flight search results.

Select	Tail Number	Number of Travelers	Estimated Arrival Date	Estimated Arrival Time	Arrival Location	Departure Date	Departure Time	Departure Location	IO	Flight Status	TARP Assigned	Inspection Result	Enforcement	Field Office
<input type="radio"/>	CFJDL	6	10/12/2022	08:48	KCLE	10/12/2022	08:00	CYYZ	I	Pending	N			CHICAGO
<input type="radio"/>	CFJOL	6	10/12/2022	09:18	KCLE	10/12/2022	08:30	CYYZ	I	Processed	N	Negative	N	CHICAGO
<input type="radio"/>	CFJRX	8	10/12/2022	07:54	KFAR	10/12/2022	07:00	CYWG	I	Processed	N	Negative	N	SEATTLE
<input type="radio"/>	CFMDE	2	10/12/2022	11:06	KRIC	10/12/2022	09:30	CYHZ	I	Permission to Land Granted	N			ATLANTA
<input type="radio"/>	CFORR	5	10/12/2022	15:12	KVNY	10/12/2022	13:00	CYYZ	I	Permission to Land Granted	N			LOS ANGELES
<input type="radio"/>	CFQWK	9	10/12/2022	11:00	KOPF	10/12/2022	08:00	CYYZ	I	Permission to Land Granted	N			MIAMI

The screenshot shows the preliminary details and officer report interface of the TECS - General Aviation Processing (GAP) system. It displays various fields for flight details, including aircraft information, pilot details, and inspection results.

Preliminary Details

APIS Ref ID/GARS Ref ID: []
eAPIS/APIS Number: EAPIS-14067695
APIS Sender ID: APGA73CW
Aircraft Tail Number: CFJRX
Aircraft Color: WHITE
24-Hour POC Phone: 514-420-2999
Operator Phone: 514-420-2999
Type of Aircraft: CITATION SOVEREIGN
Call Sign: []
24-Hour POC Name: O'BRIEN, PATRICK EDWARD
Operator Name: []
OR Operator Company Name: IMP GROUP LTD.

Direction Of Travel: I
ETA/ETD Details: 10/12/2022 07:54
Pilot's Name: PETERSON, TIMOTHY NOEL
Arrival Location Code: KFAR
Arrival Country Code: USA
Arrival Description: FARGO JET CENTER
Departure Location Code: CYWG
Departure Country Code: CAN
Departure Description: []
Flight Status: Processed
Inspection Result: Negative
Flight Update Notes: []

Officer Report

All Time fields are Local Time

Aircraft Physically Inspected?: Yes
Inspection Start Date: 10/12/2022
Inspection End Date: 10/12/2022
Inspection Start Time: 07:45
Inspection End Time: 07:55
Reporting Officer: SYMINGTON, DALE B
Field Office: SEATTLE --- Seattle, Washington

Number of Personnel Involved

CBPO: 1
AMO: 0
CBP K-9: 0
CBPAS: 0
State & Local: 0
Other: []

WebAMOSS

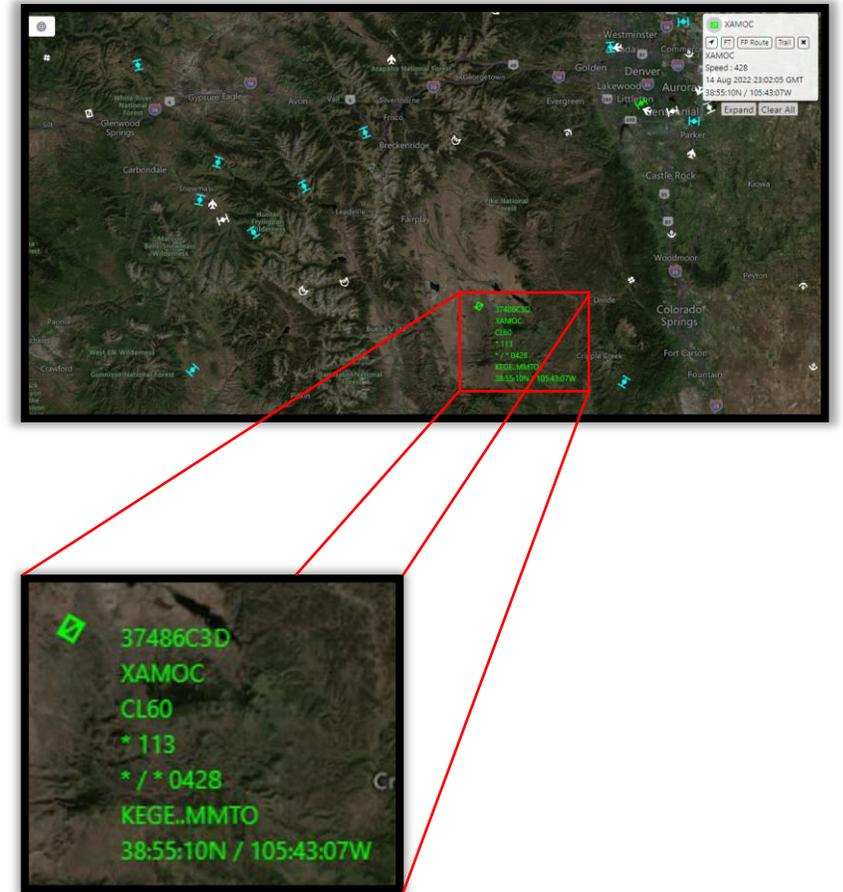
WebAMOSS is a web-based situational awareness utility developed from AMOSS (Air and Marine Operations surveillance and interdiction system) architecture. Through the National General Aviation Team (consisting of 500+ members), over 400 OFO personnel now have access to CBP's AMOSS view of air and maritime activity.

On 14 August 2022, **CBPO Ray Rathsburg** approached a foreign-registered aircraft (XAMOC) arriving at KEGE (Eagle County Regional Airport), Gypsum, Colorado as a domestic continuance from an earlier arrival at KELP (El Paso International Airport), El Paso, Texas.

CBPO Rathsburg greeted the aircraft occupants, inquiring the nature of the flight.

Suspicious of possible illegal charter activity, CBPO Rathsburg monitored the aircraft, watched it load with passengers for departure. He monitored TECS for a departure APIS manifest which never came and upon departure from KEGE, he captured the flight on CBP radar using WebAMOSS.

CBPO Rathsburg's detection is the first instance a CBPO has detected and documented outbound non-compliance using a tool that was previously unavailable to the field.



3 – Things You Don't Need

Things You Don't Need

- Drama, Anger
- A Chip on your Shoulder
- A Question of What is Reasonable and Responsible
- Lack of Professionalism
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- External Radar Feeds
- Paper
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4 – TECS GAP Basics

Basic GAP Arrival Processing

- Flight Processing
- Granting Permission to Land
- Reconciling (Closing) Manifests

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Questions? Comments?

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