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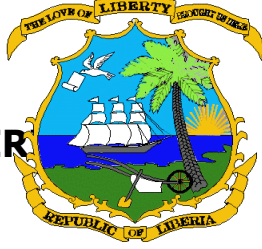
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## 23.4 AERONAUTICAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS - SURVEILLANCE RADAR AND COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEMS

### 23.4.1 INTRODUCTION

Subpart 4 of Part 23 contains requirements and guidance material for secondary surveillance radar (SSR) and airborne collision avoidance systems (ACAS), including requirement for SSR Mode A, Mode C and Mode S, and the technical characteristics of ACAS.

#### 23.4.1.1 DEFINITIONS

1. **Airborne collision avoidance system (ACAS).** An aircraft system based on secondary surveillance radar (SSR) transponder signals, which operates independently of ground-based equipment to provide advice to the pilot on potential conflicting aircraft that are equipped with SSR transponders.
2. **Aircraft address.** A unique combination of twenty-four bits available for assignment to an aircraft for the purpose of air-ground communications, navigation and surveillance.
3. *Note.— SSR Mode S transponders transmit extended squitters to support the broadcast of aircraft-derived position for surveillance purposes. The broadcast of this type of information is a form of automatic dependent surveillance (ADS) known as ADS-broadcast (ADS-B).*
4. **Automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast (ADS-B) OUT.** A function on an aircraft or vehicle that periodically broadcasts its state vector (position and velocity) and other information derived from on-board systems in a format suitable for ADS-B IN capable receivers.
5. **Automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast (ADS-B) IN.** A function that receives surveillance data from ADS-B OUT data sources.
6. **Collision avoidance logic.** The sub-system or part of ACAS that analyses data relating to an intruder and own aircraft, decides whether or not advisories are appropriate and, if so, generates the advisories. It includes the following functions: range and altitude tracking, threat detection and RA generation. It excludes surveillance.
7. **Human Factors principles.** Principles which apply to design, certification, training, operations and maintenance and which seek safe interface between the human and other system components by proper consideration to human performance.
8. **Secondary surveillance radar (SSR).** A surveillance radar system which uses transmitters/receivers (interrogators) and transponders.
9. *Note.— The requirements for interrogators and transponders are specified in 23.3.*
10. **Surveillance radar.** Radar equipment used to determine the position of an aircraft in range and azimuth.



11. **Traffic information service – broadcast (TIS-B) IN.** A surveillance function that receives and processes surveillance data from TIS-B OUT data sources.
12. **Traffic information service – broadcast (TIS-B) OUT.** A function on the ground that periodically broadcasts the surveillance information made available by ground sensors in a format suitable for TIS-B IN capable receivers.

*Note.— This technique can be achieved through different data links. The requirements for Mode S extended squitters are specified in 23.4.5. The requirements for VHF digital link (VDL) Mode 4 and universal access transceiver (UAT) are specified in 23.3.1.*

## **23.4.2 GENERAL**

### **23.4.2.1 SECONDARY SURVEILLANCE RADAR (SSR)**

- a) When SSR is installed and maintained in operation as an aid to air traffic services, it shall conform with the provisions of 23.4.3.(a) unless otherwise specified in this Subpart.

*Note.— As referred to in this Annex, Mode A/C transponders are those which conform to the characteristics prescribed in 23.4.3.1.1. Mode S transponders are those which conform to the characteristics prescribed in 23.4.3.1.2. The functional capabilities of Mode A/C transponders are an integral part of those of Mode S transponders.*

### **INTERROGATION MODES (GROUND-TO-AIR)**

- a) Interrogation for air traffic services shall be performed on the modes described in Sub Part 23.4. The uses of each mode shall be as follows:
  - 1) Mode A -to elicit transponder replies for identity and surveillance.
  - 2) Mode C -to elicit transponder replies for automatic pressure-altitude transmission and surveillance.
  - 3) Intermode -
    - i. Mode A/C/S all-call: to elicit replies for surveillance of Mode A/C transponders and for the acquisition of Mode S transponders.
    - ii. Mode A/C-only all-call: to elicit replies for surveillance of Mode A/C transponders. Mode S transponders do not reply.
  - 4) Mode S -
    - i. Mode S-only all-call: to elicit replies for acquisition of Mode S transponders.
    - ii. Broadcast: to transmit information to all Mode S transponders. No replies are elicited.
    - iii. Selective: for surveillance of, and communication with, individual Mode S transponders. For each interrogation, a reply is elicited only from the transponder uniquely addressed by the interrogation.

*Note 2.— There are 25 possible interrogation (uplink) formats and 25 possible Mode S reply (downlink) formats. For format assignment, Figures 3-7 and 3-8.*

- b) LCAA shall coordinate with National Communication Authority and international authorities to implement the aspects of the SSR system which will permit its optimum use.

- c) The assignment of interrogator identifier (II) codes, where necessary in areas of overlapping coverage, across international boundaries of flight information regions, shall be the subject of regional air navigation agreements.
- d) The assignment of surveillance identifier (SI) codes, where necessary in areas of overlapping coverage, shall be the subject of regional air navigation agreements.
- e) Mode A and Mode C interrogations shall be provided.
- f) In areas where improved aircraft identification is necessary to enhance the effectiveness of the ATC system, SSR ground facilities having Mode S features shall include aircraft identification capability.

#### **SIDE-LOBE SUPPRESSION CONTROL INTERROGATION**

- a) Side-lobe suppression shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of 23.4.3.1 on all Mode A, Mode C and intermode interrogations.
- b) Side-lobe suppression shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of 23.4.3.1(b) on all Mode S-only all-call interrogations.

#### **TRANSPONDER REPLY MODES (AIR-TO-GROUND)**

- a) Transponders shall respond to Mode A interrogations in accordance with the provisions of 23.4.3.1. and to Mode C interrogations in accordance with the provisions of 23.4.3.1.
- b) The pressure altitude reports contained in Mode S replies shall be derived as specified in 23.4.3.1.

*Note.— 23.4.3.1. is intended to relate to Mode C replies and specifies, inter alia, that Mode C pressure- altitude reports be referenced to a standard pressure setting of 1013.25 hectopascals. The intention of 23.4.2.1.3.1.1 is to ensure that all transponders, not just Mode C transponders, report uncorrected pressure-altitude.*

- c) Where the need for Mode C automatic pressure-altitude transmission capability within a specified airspace has been determined, transponders, when used within the airspace concerned, shall respond to Mode C interrogations with pressure-altitude encoding in the information pulses.
- d) All transponders, regardless of the airspace in which they will be used, shall respond to Mode C interrogations with pressure- altitude information.
- e) For aircraft with 7.62 m (25 ft) or better pressure altitude sources, the pressure-altitude information provided by Mode S transponders in response to selective interrogations (i.e. in the AC field, 23.4.3.1.2.6.5.4) should be reported in 7.62 m (25 ft) increments.
- f) All Mode A/C transponders installed shall report pressure- altitude encoded in the information pulses in Mode C replies.
- g) All Mode S transponders installed shall report pressure- altitude encoded in the information pulses in Mode C replies and in the AC field of Mode S replies.
- h) When a Mode S transponder is not receiving more pressure- altitude information from a source with a quantization of 7.62 m (25 ft) or better increments, the reported value of the altitude shall be the value obtained by expressing the measured value of the uncorrected pressure altitude of the aircraft in 30.48 m (100 ft) increments and the Q bit (see 3.1.2.6.5.4 b)) shall be set to 0.
- i) Transponders used within airspace where the need for Mode S airborne capability has been determined shall also respond to intermode and Mode S interrogations in accordance with the

applicable provisions of 23.4.3.1.(b).

- j) Requirements for mandatory carriage of SSR Mode S transponders shall be on the basis of regional air navigation agreements which shall specify the airspace and the airborne implementation timescales.
- k) The agreements indicated in this Sub Part shall provide at least five years' notice.

#### **MODE A REPLY CODES (INFORMATION PULSES)**

- a) All transponders shall be capable of generating 4 096 reply codes conforming to the characteristics.
- b) The Authority shall establish the procedures for the allotment of SSR codes in conformity with Regional Air Navigation agreements, taking into account other users of the system.

*Note.— Principles for the allocation of ASSR codes are given in Doc 4444, Chapter 8.*

- c) The following Mode A codes shall be reserved for special purposes:
- d) Code 7700 to provide recognition of an aircraft in an emergency.
- e) Code 7600 to provide recognition of an aircraft with Radio communication failure.
- f) Code 7500 to provide recognition of an aircraft which is being subjected to unlawful interference.
- g) Appropriate provision shall be made in ground decoding equipment to ensure immediate recognition of Mode A codes 7500, 7600 and 7700.
- h) Mode A code 0000 shall be reserved for allocation subject to regional agreement, as a general purpose code.
- i) Mode A code 2000 shall be reserved to provide recognition of an aircraft which has not received any instructions from air traffic control units to operate the transponder.

#### **MODE S AIRBORNE EQUIPMENT CAPABILITY**

- a) All Mode S transponders shall conform to one of the following five levels:
- b) **Level 1** - Level 1 transponders shall have the capabilities prescribed for:
  - 1. Mode A identity and Mode C pressure-altitude reporting (23.4.3.1.1);
  - 2. intermode and Mode S all-call transactions;
  - 3. addressed surveillance altitude and identity transaction
  - 4. lockout protocols
  - 5. basic data protocols except data link capability reporting and
  - 6. air-air service and squitter transactions.
- c) **Level 2** - Level 2 transponders shall have the capabilities of 23.4.2.1.5.1.1 and also those prescribed for:

1. Standard length communications (Comm-A and Comm-B)
  2. data link capability reporting; and
  3. Aircraft identification reporting.
- d) **Level 3** - Level 3 transponders shall have the capabilities of 23.4.2.1. and also those prescribed for ground-to-air extended length message (ELM) communications.
- e) **Level 4** - Level 4 transponders shall have the capabilities of 23.4.2.1. and also those prescribed for air-to-ground extended length message (ELM) communications
- f) **Level 5** - Level 5 transponders shall have the capabilities of 23.4.2.1. and also those prescribed for enhanced Comm-B and extended length message (ELM) communications.

#### **EXTENDED SQUITTER**

- a) Extended squitter transponders shall have the capabilities of 23.4.2. The capabilities prescribed for extended squitter operation and the capabilities prescribed for ACAS cross-link operation. Transponders with this capability shall be designated with a suffix “e”.
- b) **SI Capability** - Transponders with the ability to process SI codes shall have the capabilities of 23.4.2. and also those prescribed for SI code operation (23.4.3). Transponders with this capability shall be designated with a suffix “s”.
- c) SI code capability shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of 23.4.2.1. for all Mode S transponders installed.

#### **EXTENDED SQUITTER NON-TRANSPONDER DEVICES.**

- a. Devices that are capable of broadcasting extended squitters that are not part of a Mode S transponder shall conform to all of the 1 090 MHz RF signals in space requirements specified for a Mode S transponder, except for transmit power levels for the identified equipment class as specified in 23.4.5.1.1.
- b. All Mode S transponders used by international civil air traffic shall conform, at least, to the requirements of Level 2 prescribed in 23.4. 2.1.

*Note 1.— Level 1 may be admitted for use within an individual State or within the terms of a regional air navigation agreement. The Mode S Level 1 transponder comprises the minimum set of features for compatible operation of Mode S transponders with SSR Mode S interrogators. It is defined to prevent a proliferation of transponder types below Level 2 which would be incompatible with SSR Mode S interrogators.*

*Note 2.— The intent of the requirement for a Level 2 capability is to ensure the widespread use of an ICAO standard transponder capability to allow worldwide planning of Mode S ground facilities and services. The requirement also discourages an initial installation with Level 1 transponders that would be rendered obsolete by later requirements in certain airspace for mandatory carriage of transponders having Level 2 capabilities.*

- c. Mode S transponders installed on aircraft with gross mass in excess of 5 700 kg or a maximum cruising true airspeed capability in excess of 463 km/h (250 kt) shall operate with antenna diversity as prescribed in 23.4.3.1. if:
- 1) the aircraft individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1990; or
  - 2) Mode S transponder carriage is required on the basis of regional air navigation agreement in accordance with this Sub Part 23-4.

### **CAPABILITY REPORTING IN MODE S SQUITTERS**

- a) Capability reporting in Mode S acquisition squitters (unsolicited downlink transmissions) shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of 23.4.3. for all Mode S transponders installed on or after 1 January 1995.
- b) Transponders equipped for extended squitter operation shall have a means to disable acquisition squitters when extended squitters are being emitted.

*Note.— This represents a 1 dB relaxation from the power requirement specified in 23.4.3.1.*

### **EXTENDED LENGTH MESSAGE (ELM) TRANSMIT POWER**

In order to facilitate the conversion of existing Mode S transponders to include full Mode S capability, transponders originally manufactured before 1 January 1999 shall be permitted to transmit a burst of 16 ELM segments at a minimum power level of 20 dBW.

### **SSR Mode S address (aircraft address)**

The SSR Mode S address shall be one of 16 777 214 twenty- four-bit aircraft addresses allocated by ICAO to the State of Registry or common mark registering authority and assigned as prescribed in 23.4.3.1. and the IS: 23.3.8 of Subpart 3 of Part 23 of Liberia Civil Aviation (ANS) Regulations.

#### **23.4.2.1 HUMAN FACTORS CONSIDERATIONS**

Human Factors principles shall be observed in the design and certification of surveillance radar and collision avoidance systems.

*Note.— Guidance material on Human Factors principles can be found in Doc 9683, Human Factors Training Manual and Circular 249 (Human Factors Digest No. 11 — Human Factors in CNS/ATM Systems).*

##### **23.4.2.1.1 OPERATION OF CONTROLS**

- a) Transponder controls which are not intended to be operated in flight shall not be directly accessible to the flight crew.
- b) The operation of transponder controls, intended for use during flight, should be evaluated to ensure they are logical and tolerant to human error. In particular, where transponder functions are integrated with other system controls, the manufacturer should ensure that unintentional transponder mode switching (i.e. an operational state to ‘STANDBY’ or ‘OFF’) is minimized.
- c) The flight crew should have access at all times to the information of the operational state of the transponder.

*Note.— Information on the monitoring of the operational state of the transponder is provided in RTCA DO-181 E, Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System/ Mode Select (ATCRBS/Mode S) Airborne Equipment, and in EUROCAE ED-73E, Minimum Operational Performance Specification for Secondary Surveillance Radar Mode S Transponders.*

### **23.4.3 SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS**

**23.4.3.1 SECONDARY SURVEILLANCE RADAR (SSR) SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS**

*Note 1.— Section 23.4.3.1 prescribes the technical characteristics of SSR systems having only Mode A and Mode C capabilities. Section 23.4.3.1 prescribes the characteristics of systems with Mode S capabilities. Section 23.4.5 prescribes additional requirements on Mode S extended squitters.*

*Note 2.— Systems using Mode S capabilities are generally used for air traffic control surveillance systems. In addition, certain ATC applications may use Mode S emitters, e.g. for vehicle surface surveillance or for fixed target detection on surveillance systems. Under such specific conditions, the term “aircraft” can be understood as “aircraft or vehicle (A/V)”. While those applications may use a limited set of data, any deviation from standard physical characteristics must be considered very carefully by the appropriate authorities. They must take into account not only their own surveillance (SSR) environment but also possible effects on other systems like ACAS.*

*Note 3.— Non-Standard-International alternative units are used as permitted by Part 22, Section 22.3.2.2.*

**23.4.3.2 SYSTEMS HAVING ONLY MODE A AND MODE C CAPABILITIES**

*Note 1.— In this section, SSR modes are designated by letters A and C. Suffix letters, e.g. A2, C4, are used to designate the individual pulses used in the air-to-ground pulse trains. This common use of letters is not to be construed as implying any particular association of modes and codes.*

*Note 2.— Provisions for the recording and retention of radar data are contained in Part 24, Section 24.7.*

**23.4.3.3 INTERROGATION AND CONTROL (INTERROGATION SIDE-LOBE SUPPRESSION) RADIO FREQUENCIES (GROUND-TO-AIR)**

- a) The carrier frequency of the interrogation and control transmissions shall be 1 030 MHz.
- b) The frequency tolerance shall be plus or minus 0.2 MHz.
- c) The carrier frequencies of the control transmission and of each of the interrogation pulse transmissions shall not differ from each other by more than 0.2 MHz.

**23.4.3.4 REPLY CARRIER FREQUENCY (AIR-TOGROUND)**

- a) The carrier frequency of the reply transmission shall be 1 090 MHz.
- b) The frequency tolerance shall be plus or minus 3 MHz.

**23.4.3.5 POLARIZATION**

Polarization of the interrogation, control and reply transmissions shall be predominantly vertical.

**23.4.3.6 INTERROGATION MODES (SIGNALS-IN-SPACE)**

- a) The interrogation shall consist of two transmitted pulses designated P1 and P3. A control pulse P2 shall be transmitted following the first interrogation pulse P1.

- b) Interrogation Modes A and C shall be as defined in Sub Part 23.4.
- c) 23.4.3.1. The interval between P1 and P3 shall determine the mode of interrogation and shall be as follows: Mode A  $8 \pm 0.2$  microseconds Mode C  $21 \pm 0.2$  microseconds
- d) The interval between P1 and P2 shall be 2.0 plus or minus 0.15 microseconds.
- e) The duration of pulses P1, P2 and P3 shall be 0.8 plus or minus 0.1 microsecond.
- f) The rise time of pulses P1, P2 and P3 shall be between 0.05 and 0.1 microsecond.

*Note 1.— The definitions are contained in Figure 3-1 “Definitions of secondary surveillance radar waveform shapes, intervals and the reference point for sensitivity and power”.*

*Note 2.— The intent of the lower limit of rise time (0.05 microsecond) is to reduce sideband radiation. Equipment will meet this requirement if the sideband radiation is no greater than that which, theoretically, would be produced by a trapezoidal wave having the stated rise time.*

- g) The decay time of pulses P1, P2 and P3 shall be between 0.05 and 0.2 microsecond.

*Note.— The intent of the lower limit of decay time (0.05 microsecond) is to reduce sideband radiation. Equipment will meet this requirement if the sideband radiation is no greater than that which, theoretically, would be produced by a trapezoidal wave having the stated decay time.*

**23.4.3.7 INTERROGATOR AND CONTROL TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS (INTERROGATION SIDELobe SUPPRESSION - SIGNALS-IN-SPACE)**

- a) The radiated amplitude of P2 at the antenna of the transponder shall be:
  - 1) equal to or greater than the radiated amplitude of P1 from the side-lobe transmissions of the antenna radiating P1; and
  - 2) at a level lower than 9 dB below the radiated amplitude P1, within the desired arc of interrogation.
- b) Within the desired beam width of the directional interrogation (main lobe), the radiated amplitude of P3 shall be within 1 dB of the radiated amplitude of P1.

**23.4.3.8 REPLY TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS (SIGNALS-IN- SPACE)**

- a) Framing pulses. The reply function shall employ a signal comprising two framing pulses spaced 20.3 microseconds as the most elementary code.
- b) Information pulses. Information pulses shall be spaced in increments of 1.45 microseconds from the first framing pulse. The designation and position of these information pulses shall be as follows:

Pulses	Pulses (microseconds)
C1	1.45
A1	2.90
C2	4.35
A2	5.80

C4	7.25
A4	8.70
X	10.15
B1	11.60
D1	13.05
B2	14.50
D2	15.95
B4	17.40
D4	18.85

*Note.— The Standard relating to the use of these pulses is given in 2.1.4.1. However, the position of the “X” pulse is not used in replies to Mode A or Mode C interrogations and is specified only as a technical standard to safeguard possible future expansion of the system. It has nevertheless been decided that such expansion should be achieved using Mode S. The presence of a pulse in the X pulse position is used in some States to invalidate replies.*

- c) Special position identification pulse (SPI). In addition to the information pulses provided, a special position identification pulse shall be transmitted but only as a result of manual (pilot) selection. When transmitted, it shall be spaced at an interval of 4.35 microseconds following the last framing pulse of Mode A replies only.
- d) Reply pulse shape. All reply pulses shall have a duration of 0.45 plus or minus 0.1 microsecond, a pulse rise time between 0.05 and 0.1 microsecond and a pulse decay time between 0.05 and 0.2 microsecond. The pulse amplitude variation of one pulse with respect to any other pulse in a reply train shall not exceed 1 dB.

*Note.— The intent of the lower limit of rise and decay times (0.05 microsecond) is to reduce sideband radiation. Equipment will meet this requirement if the sideband radiation is not greater than that which, theoretically, would be produced by a trapezoidal wave having the stated rise and decay times.*

- e) Reply pulse position tolerances. The pulse spacing tolerance for each pulse (including the last framing pulse) with respect to the first framing pulse of the reply group shall be plus or minus 0.10 microsecond. The pulse interval tolerance of the special position identification pulse with respect to the last framing pulse of the reply group shall be plus or minus 0.10 microsecond. The pulse spacing tolerance of any pulse in the reply group with respect to any other pulse (except the first framing pulse) shall not exceed plus or minus 0.15 microsecond.

**23.4.3.9 CODE NOMENCLATURE.**

- a) The code designation shall consist of digits between 0 and 7 inclusive, and shall consist of the sum of the subscripts of the pulse numbers given in 23.4.3.1. above, employed as follows:

Digit	Pulse Group
First (most significant)	A
Second	B
Third	C
Fourth	D

**23.4.3.10 TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF TRANSPONDERS WITH MODE A AND**



**MODE C CAPABILITIES ONLY**

- a) **REPLY.** The transponder shall reply (not less than 90 per cent triggering) when all of the following conditions have been met:
- 1) the received amplitude of P3 is in excess of a level 1 dB below the received amplitude of P1 but no greater than 3 dB above the received amplitude of P1;
  - 2) either no pulse is received in the interval 1.3 microseconds to 2.7 microseconds after P1, or P1 exceeds by more than 9 dB any pulse received in this interval;
  - 3) the received amplitude of a proper interrogation is more than 10 dB above the received amplitude of random pulses where the latter are not recognized by the transponder as P1, P2 or P3.
- b) The transponder shall not reply under the following conditions:
- 1) to interrogations when the interval between pulses P1 and P3 differs from those specified in 23.4.3.1. by more than plus or minus 1.0 microsecond;
  - 2) Upon receipt of any single pulse which has no amplitude variations approximating a normal interrogation condition.

**23.4.3.11 DEAD TIME.**

After recognition of a proper interrogation, the transponder shall not reply to any other interrogation, at least for the duration of the reply pulse train. This dead time shall end no later than 125 microseconds after the transmission of the last reply pulse of the group.

**23.4.3.12 SUPPRESSION**

*Note.— This characteristic is used to prevent replies to interrogations received via the side lobes of the interrogator antenna, and to prevent Mode A/C transponders from replying to Mode S interrogations.*

- a) The transponder shall be suppressed when the received amplitude of P2 is equal to, or in excess of, the received amplitude of P1 and spaced 2.0 plus or minus 0.15 microseconds. The detection of P3 is not required as a prerequisite for initiation of suppression action.
- b) The transponder suppression shall be for a period of 35 plus or minus 10 microseconds.
- c) The suppression shall be capable of being reinitiated for the full duration within 2 microseconds after the end of any suppression period.

**23.4.3.13 SUPPRESSION IN PRESENCE OF S1 PULSE**

*Note.— The S1 pulse is used in a technique employed by ACAS known as “whisper-shout” to facilitate ACAS surveillance of Mode A/C aircraft in higher traffic densities. The whisper-shout technique is explained in the Airborne Collision Avoidance System (ACAS) Manual (Doc 9863).*

When an S1 pulse is detected 2.0 plus or minus 0.15 microseconds before the P1 of a Mode A or Mode C interrogation:

- a) with S1 and P1 above MTL, the transponder shall be suppressed as specified in Sub Part 23.4.

- b) with P1 at MTL and S1 at MTL, the transponder shall be suppressed and shall reply to no more than 10 per cent of Mode A/C interrogations;
- c) with P1 at MTL and S1 at MTL –3 dB, the transponder shall reply to Mode A/C interrogations at least 70 per cent of the time; and
- d) with P1 at MTL and S1 at MTL –6 dB, the transponder shall reply to Mode A/C interrogations at least 90 per cent of the time.

*Note 1.— The suppression action is because of the detection of S1 and P1 and does not require detection of a P2 or P3 pulse.*

*Note 2.— S1 has a lower amplitude than P1. Certain ACAS use this mechanism to improve target detection (4.3.7.1).*

*Note 3.— These requirements also apply to a Mode A/C only capable transponder when an S1 precedes an intermode interrogation (2.1.2.1).*

#### **23.4.3.14 RECEIVER SENSITIVITY AND DYNAMIC RANGE**

- a) The minimum triggering level of the transponder shall be such that replies are generated to at least 90 per cent of the interrogation signals when:
  - 1) the two pulses P1 and P3 constituting an interrogation are of equal amplitude and P2 is not detected; and
  - 2) the amplitude of these signals is nominally 71 dB below 1 mW, with limits between 69 dB and 77 dB below 1 mW.
- b) The reply and suppression characteristics shall apply over a received amplitude of P1 between minimum triggering level and 50 dB above that level.
- c) The variation of the minimum triggering level between modes shall not exceed 1 dB for nominal pulse spacings and pulse widths.
- d) **Pulse Duration Discrimination.** Signals of received amplitude between minimum triggering level and 6 dB above this level, and of a duration less than 0.3 microsecond shall not cause the transponder to initiate reply or suppression action. With the exception of single pulses with amplitude variations approximating an interrogation, any single pulse of a duration more than 1.5 microseconds shall not cause the transponder to initiate reply or suppression action over the signal amplitude range of minimum triggering level (MTL) to 50 dB above that level
- e) **Echo suppression and recovery.** The transponder shall contain an echo suppression facility designed to permit normal operation in the presence of echoes of signals-in- space. The provision of this facility shall be compatible with the requirements for suppression of side lobes given in Sub Part 23.4.
- f) **Desensitization.** Upon receipt of any pulse more than 0.7 microsecond in duration, the receiver shall be desensitized by an amount that is within at least 9 dB of the amplitude of the desensitizing pulse but shall at no time exceed the amplitude of the desensitizing pulse, with the exception of possible overshoot during the first microsecond following the desensitizing

pulse.

*Note.— Single pulses of duration less than 0.7 microsecond are not required to cause the specified desensitization nor to cause desensitization of duration greater than permitted by 24.4.3.1.(a) and 24.4.3.1.(b).*

- g) **Recovery.** Following desensitization, the receiver shall recover sensitivity (within 3 dB of minimum triggering level) within 15 microseconds after reception of a desensitizing pulse having a signal strength up to 50 dB above minimum triggering level. Recovery shall be at an average rate not exceeding 4.0 dB per microsecond.
- h) **Random triggering rate.** In the absence of valid interrogation signals, Mode A/C transponders shall not generate more than 30 unwanted Mode A or Mode C replies per second as integrated over an interval equivalent to at least 300 random triggers, or 30 seconds, whichever is less. This random triggering rate shall not be exceeded when all possible interfering equipment installed in the same aircraft are operating at maximum interference levels.

#### 23.4.3.15 REPLY RATE

- a) All transponders shall be capable of continuously generating at least 500 replies per second for a 15-pulse coded reply. Transponder installations used solely below 4 500 m (15 000 ft), or below a lesser altitude established by the appropriate authority or by regional air navigation agreement, and in aircraft with a maximum cruising true airspeed not exceeding 175 kt (324 km/h) shall be capable of generating at least 1 000 15-pulse coded replies per second for a duration of 100 milliseconds. Transponder installations operated above 4 500 m (15 000 ft) or in aircraft with a maximum cruising true airspeed in excess of 175 kt (324 km/h), shall be capable of generating at least 1 200 15-pulse coded replies per second for a duration of 100 milliseconds.

*Note 1.— A 15-pulse reply includes 2 framing pulses, 12 information pulses, and the SPI pulse*

*Note 2.— The reply rate requirement of 500 replies per second establishes the minimum continuous reply rate capability of the transponder. As per the altitude and speed criteria above, the 100 or 120 replies in a 100-millisecond interval defines the peak capability of the transponder. The transponder must be capable of replying to this short-term burst rate, even though the transponder may not be capable of sustaining this rate. If the transponder is subjected to interrogation rates beyond its reply rate capability, the reply rate limit control to gracefully desensitize the transponder in a manner that favours closer interrogators. Desensitization eliminates weaker interrogation signals.*

- b) **Reply rate limit control.** To protect the system from the effects of transponder over-interrogation by preventing response to weaker signals when a predetermined reply rate has been reached, a sensitivity reduction type reply limit control shall be incorporated in the equipment. The range of this control shall permit adjustment, as a minimum, to any value between 500 and 2 000 replies per second, or to the maximum reply rate capability if less than 2 000 replies per second, without regard to the number of pulses in each reply. Sensitivity reduction in excess of 3 dB shall not take effect until 90 per cent of the selected value is exceeded. Sensitivity reduction shall be at least 30 dB for rates in excess of 150 per cent of the selected value.
- c) **Reply delay and jitter.** The time delay between the arrival, at the transponder receiver, of the

leading edge of P3 and the transmission of the leading edge of the first pulse of the reply shall be 3 plus or minus 0.5 microseconds. The total jitter of the reply pulse code group, with respect to P3, shall not exceed 0.1 microsecond for receiver input levels between 3 dB and 50 dB above minimum triggering level. Delay variations between modes on which the transponder is capable of replying shall not exceed 0.2 microsecond.

#### **23.4.3.16      TRANSPONDER POWER OUTPUT AND DUTY CYCLE**

- a) The peak pulse power available at the antenna end of the transmission line of the transponder shall be at least 21 dB and not more than 27 dB above 1 W, except that for transponder installations used solely below 4 500 m (15 000 ft), or below a lesser altitude established by the appropriate authority or by regional air navigation agreement, a peak pulse power available at the antenna end of the transmission line of the transponder of at least 18.5 dB and not more than 27 dB above 1 W shall be permitted.
- b) The peak pulse power specified in Sub Part 23.4. shall be maintained over a range of replies from code 0000 at a rate of 400 replies per second to a maximum pulse content at a rate of 1 200 replies per second or a maximum value below 1 200 replies per second of which the transponder is capable.

#### **23.4.3.17      REPLY CODES**

- a) Identification. The reply to a Mode A interrogation shall consist of the two framing pulses specified in 23.4.3. together with the information pulses (Mode A code) specified in 23.4.3.1.1.6.2.
- b) The Mode A code shall be manually selected from the 4 096 codes available.
- c) **Pressure-altitude transmission.** The reply to Mode C interrogation shall consist of the two framing pulses specified in 23.4.3. above. When digitized pressure-altitude information is available, the information pulses specified in 23.4.3. shall also be transmitted.
- d) Transponders shall be provided with means to remove the information pulses but to retain the framing pulses when the provision of 23.4. 3. Below is not complied with in reply to Mode C interrogation.
- e) The information pulses shall be automatically selected by an analog-to-digital converter connected to a pressure- altitude data source in the aircraft referenced to the standard pressure setting of 1 013.25 hectopascals.  
  
*Note.— The pressure setting of 1 013.25 hectopascals is equal to 29.92 inches of mercury.*
- f) Pressure-altitude shall be reported in 100-ft increments by selection of pulses as shown in the IS: 23.4.3.1.1.7.12.2.3
- g) The digitizer code selected shall correspond to within plus or minus 38.1 m (125 ft), on a 95 per cent probability basis, with the pressure-altitude information (referenced to the standard pressure setting of 1 013.25 hectopascals), used on board the aircraft to adhere to the assigned flight profile.

- h) Transmission of the special position identification (SPI) pulse. When required, this pulse shall be transmitted with Mode A replies, as specified in 23.4.3., for a period of between 15 and 30 seconds.

**23.4.3.18 ANTENNA**

- a) The transponder antenna system, when installed on an aircraft, shall have a radiation pattern which is essentially omni directional in the horizontal plane.
- b) The vertical radiation pattern shall be nominally equivalent to that of a quarter-wave monopole on a ground plane.

**23.4.3.19 TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF GROUND INTERROGATORS WITH MODE A AND MODE C CAPABILITIES ONLY**

- a) **Interrogation repetition frequency.** The maximum interrogation repetition frequency shall be 450 interrogations per second.
- b) To minimize unnecessary transponder triggering and the resulting high density of mutual interference, all interrogators shall use the lowest practicable interrogator repetition frequency that is consistent with the display characteristics, interrogator antenna beam width antenna rotation speed employed.

**23.4.3.20 RADIATED POWER**

- a) In order to minimize system interference the effective radiated power of interrogators shall be reduced to the lowest value consistent with the operationally required range of each individual interrogator site.
- b) When Mode C information is to be used from aircraft flying below transition levels, the altimeter pressure reference datum shall be taken into account.

*Note.— Use of Mode C below transition levels is in accordance with the philosophy that Mode C can usefully be employed in all environments.*

**23.4.3.21 INTERROGATOR RADIATED FIELD PATTERN**

The beam width of the directional interrogator antenna radiating P3 should not be wider than is operationally required. The side- and back-lobe radiation of the directional antenna shall be at least 24 dB below the peak of the main-lobe radiation.

**23.4.3.22 INTERROGATOR MONITOR**

- a) The range and azimuth accuracy of the ground interrogator shall be monitored at sufficiently frequent intervals to ensure system integrity.

*Note.— Interrogators that are associated with and operated in conjunction with primary radar may*

*use the primary radar as the monitoring device; alternatively, an electronic range and azimuth accuracy monitor would be required.*

- b) In addition to range and azimuth monitoring, provision shall be made to monitor continuously the other critical parameters of the ground interrogator for any degradation of performance exceeding the allowable system tolerances and to provide an indication of any such occurrence.

#### **23.4.3.23 SPURIOUS EMISSIONS AND SPURIOUS RESPONSES**

##### **a. SPURIOUS RADIATION**

CW radiation shall not exceed 76 dB below 1 W for the interrogator and 70 dB below 1 W for the transponder.

##### **b. SPURIOUS RESPONSES**

The response of both airborne and ground equipment to signals not within the receiver pass band shall be at least 60 dB below normal sensitivity.

#### **23.4.3.24 SYSTEMS HAVING MODE S CAPABILITIES.**

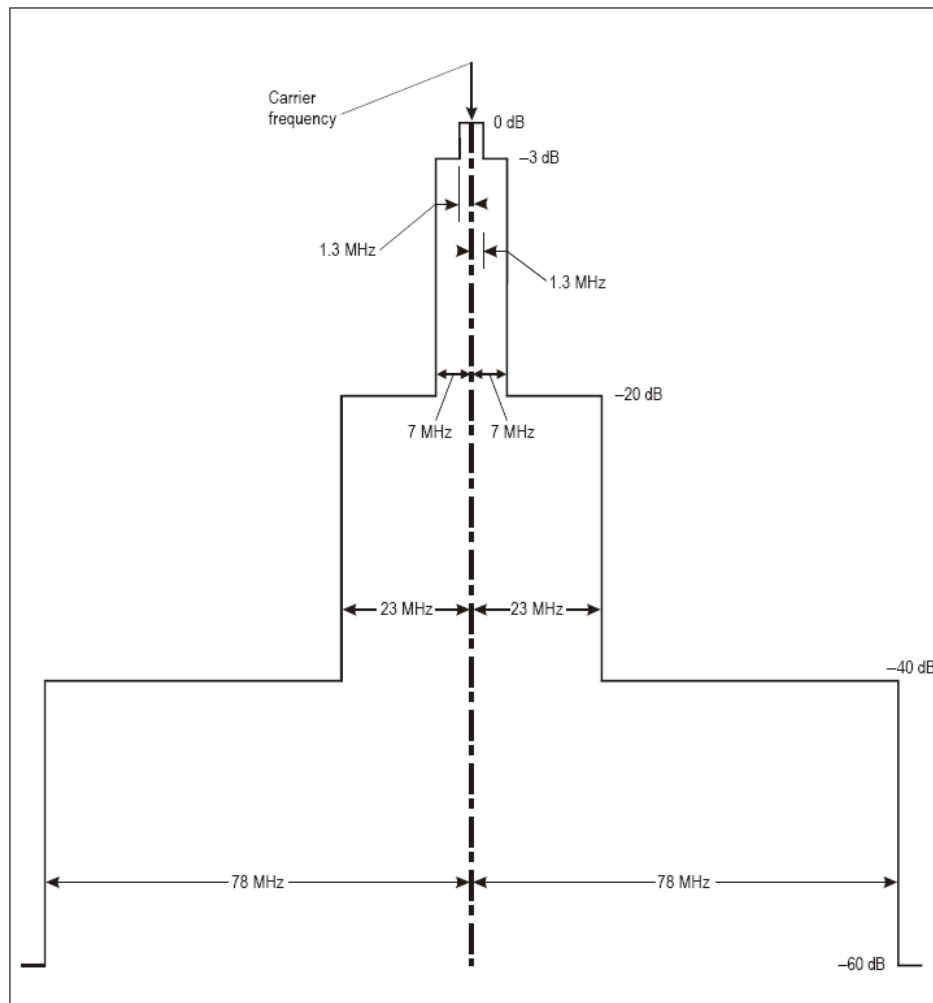
- a) **Interrogation signals-in-space characteristics.** The paragraphs herein describe the signals-in-space as they can be expected to appear at the antenna of the transponder.

*Note.— Because signals can be corrupted in propagation, certain interrogation pulse duration, pulse spacing and pulse amplitude tolerances are more stringent for interrogators.*

- b) **Interrogation carrier frequency.** The carrier frequency of all interrogations (uplink transmissions) from ground facilities with Mode S capabilities shall be 1 030 plus or minus 0.01 MHz.

*Note.— During the phase reversal the frequency of the signal may shift by several MHz before returning to the specified value.*

- c) **Interrogation spectrum.** The spectrum of a Mode S interrogation about the carrier frequency shall not exceed the limits specified in Figure 3-2.



**Figure 3-2. Required spectrum limits for interrogator transmitter**

*Note.— The Mode S interrogation spectrum is data dependent. The broadest spectrum is generated by an interrogation that contains all binary ONES.*

- d) **Polarization.** Polarization of the interrogation and control transmissions shall be nominally vertical.
- e) **Modulation.** For Mode S interrogations, the carrier frequency shall be pulse modulated. In addition, the data pulse, P6, shall have internal phase modulation.
- f) **Pulse modulation.** Intermode and Mode S interrogations shall consist of a sequence of pulses as specified in 24.4.3. and Tables 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, and 3-4.

*Note.— The 0.8 microsecond pulses used in intermode and Mode S interrogations are identical in shape to those used in Modes A and C as defined in Part 24.*

Table 3-1. Pulse shapes — Mode S and intermode interrogations

Pulse	Duration	Duration tolerance	(Rise time)		(Decay time)	
			Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
$P_1, P_2, P_3, P_5$	0.8	±0.1	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2
$P_4$ (short)	0.8	±0.1	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2
$P_4$ (long)	1.6	±0.1	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2
$P_6$ (short)	16.25	±0.25	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2
$P_6$ (long)	30.25	±0.25	0.05	0.1	0.05	0.2

- g) **Phase modulation.** The short (16.25-microsecond) and long (30.25-microsecond) P6 pulses reflected in Sub Part 23.4 shall have internal binary differential phase modulation consisting of 180-degree phase reversals of the carrier at a 4 megabit per second rate.
- h) **Phase reversal duration.** The duration of the phase reversal shall be less than 0.08 microsecond and the phase shall advance (or retard) monotonically throughout the transition region. There shall be no amplitude modulation applied during the phase transition.

*Note 1.— The minimum duration of the phase reversal is not specified. Nonetheless, the spectrum requirements of 24.4.3.1. must be met.*

*Note 2.— The phase reversal can be generated using different methods. This includes hard keying with strong amplitude drop and rapid phase reversal or other techniques with little or no amplitude drop, but with frequency shift during the phase reversal and slow phase reversal (80ns). A demodulator cannot make any assumption on the type of modulation technology used and therefore cannot rely on the specificities of the signal during the phase reversal to detect a phase reversal.*

- i) **Phase relationship.** The tolerance on the 0 and 180degree phase relationship between successive chips and on the sync phase reversal

*Note.— In Mode S a “chip” is the 0.25 microsecond carrier interval between possible data phase reversals.<sup>[1]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>*

- j) **Pulse and phase reversal sequences.** Specific sequences of the pulses or phase reversals described in 23.4.3.1.2.1.4 shall constitute interrogations.

### 23.4.3.25 INTERMODE INTERROGATION

- a) **Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation.** This interrogation shall consist of three pulses: P1, P3, and the long P4 as shown in Figure 3-3. One or two control pulses (P2 alone, or P1 and P2) shall be transmitted using a separate antenna pattern to suppress responses from aircraft in the side lobes of the interrogator antenna.



*Note.— The Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation elicits a Mode A or Mode C reply (depending on the P1-P3 pulse spacing) from a Mode A/C transponder because it does not recognize the P4 pulse. A Mode S transponder recognizes the long P4 pulse and responds with a Mode S reply. This interrogation was originally planned for use by isolated or clustered interrogators. Lockout for this interrogation was based on the use of  $\Pi$  equals 0. The development of the Mode S subnetwork now dictates the use of a non-zero  $\Pi$  code for communication purposes. For this reason,  $\Pi$  equals 0 has been reserved for use in support of a form of Mode S acquisition that uses stochastic/lockout override. The Mode A/C/S all-call cannot be used with full Mode S operation since  $\Pi$  equals 0 can only be locked out for short time periods. This interrogation cannot be used with stochastic/lockout override, since probability of reply cannot be specified.*

- b) Mode A/C/S all-call interrogations shall not be used on or after 1 January 2020.

*Note 1.— The use of Mode A/C/S all-call interrogations does not allow the use of stochastic lockout override and therefore might not ensure a good probability of acquisition in areas of high density of flights or when other interrogators lockout transponder on  $\Pi=0$  for supplementary acquisition.*

*Note 2.— The replies to Mode A/C/S all-call interrogations will no longer be supported by equipment certified on or after 1 January 2020 in order to reduce the RF pollution generated by the replies triggered by the false detection of Mode A/C/S all-call interrogations within other types of interrogation.*

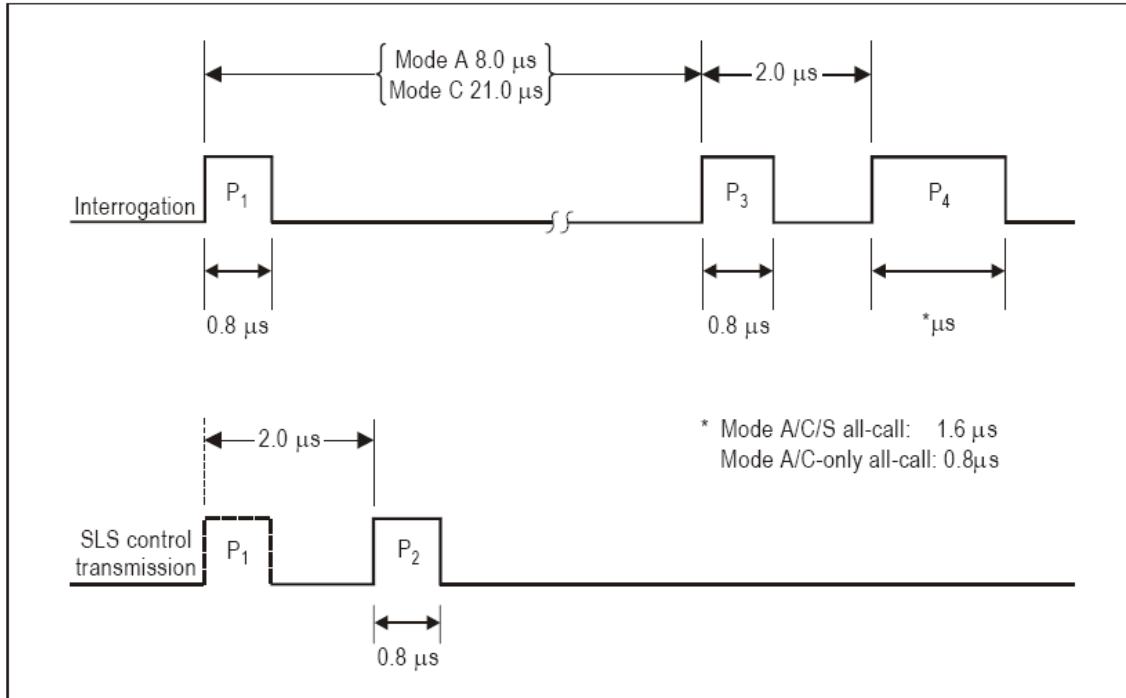
- c) **Mode A/C-only all-call interrogation.** This interrogation shall be identical to that of the Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation except that the short P4 pulse shall be used.
- d) **Pulse intervals.** The pulse intervals between P1, P2 and P3 shall be as defined in 23.4.3.1.1.4.3 and 23.4.3.1. The pulse interval between P3 and P4 shall be 2 plus or minus 0.05 microsecond.

*Note.— The Mode A/C-only all-call interrogation elicits a Mode A or Mode C reply from a Mode A/C transponder. A Mode S transponder recognizes the short P4 pulse and does not reply to this interrogation.*

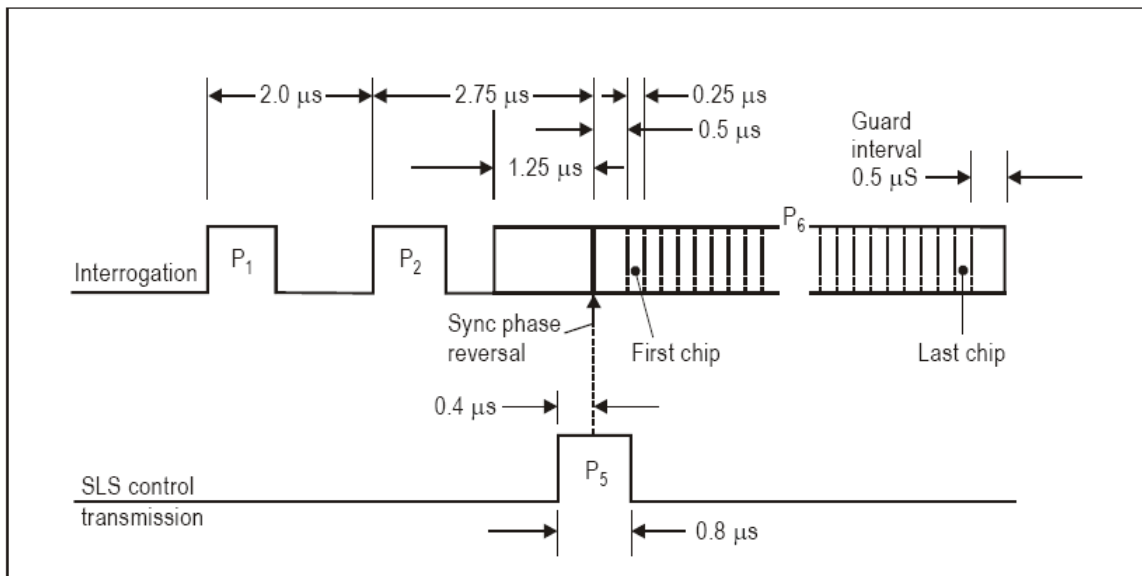
- e) **Pulse amplitudes.** Relative amplitudes between pulses P1, P2 and P3 shall be in accordance with 23.4.3.1.1.5. The amplitude of P4 shall be within 1 dB of the amplitude of P3.
- f) **Mode S interrogation.** The Mode S interrogation shall consist of three pulses: P1, P2 and P6 as shown in Figure 3-4.

*Note.— P6 is preceded by a P1 – P2 pair which suppresses replies from Mode A/C transponders to avoid synchronous garble due to random triggering by the Mode S interrogation. The sync phase reversal within P6 is the timing mark for demodulation of a series of time intervals (chips) of 0.25 microsecond duration. This series of chips starts 0.5 microsecond after the sync phase reversal and ends 0.5 microsecond before the trailing edge of P6. A phase reversal may or may not precede each chip to encode its binary information value.*

**Figure 3-3. Intermode interrogation pulse sequence**



**Figure 3-4. Mode S interrogation pulse sequence**



- g) **Mode S side-lobe suppression.** The P5 pulse shall be used with the Mode S-only all-call interrogation (UF = 11, see 23.4.3.1) to prevent replies from aircraft in the side and back lobes of the antenna. When used, P5 shall be transmitted using a separate antenna pattern.

*Note 1.— The action of P5 is automatic. Its presence, if of sufficient amplitude at the receiving location, masks the sync phase reversal of P6.*

*Note 2.— The P5 pulse may be used with other Mode S interrogations*

- h) **Sync phase reversal.** The first phase reversal in the P6 pulse shall be the sync phase reversal. It shall be the timing reference for subsequent transponder operations related to the interrogation.
- i) **Data phase reversals.** Each data phase reversal shall occur only at a time interval (N times 0.25) plus or minus 0.02 microsecond (N equal to, or greater than 2) after the sync phase reversal. The 16.25-microsecond P6 pulse shall contain at most 56 data phase reversals. The 30.25- microsecond P6 pulse shall contain at most 112 data phase reversals. The last chip, that is the 0.25microsecond time interval following the last data phase reversal position, shall be followed by a 0.5microsecond guard interval.

*Note.— The 0.5-microsecond guard interval following the last chip prevents the trailing edge of P6 from interfering with the demodulation process.*

- j) **Intervals.** The pulse interval between P1 and P2 shall be 2 plus or minus 0.05 microsecond. The interval between the leading edge of P2 and the sync phase reversal of P6 shall be 2.75 plus or minus 0.05 microsecond. The leading edge of P6 shall occur 1.25 plus or minus 0.05 microsecond before the sync phase reversal. P5, if transmitted, shall be centred over the sync phase reversal; the leading edge of P5 shall occur 0.4 plus or minus 0.05 microsecond before the sync phase reversal.
- k) **Pulse amplitudes.** The amplitude of P2 and the amplitude of the first microsecond of P6 shall be greater than the amplitude of P1 minus 0.25 dB. Exclusive of the amplitude transients associated with phase reversals, the amplitude variation of P6 shall be less than 1 dB and the amplitude variation between successive chips in P6 shall be less than 0.25 dB. The radiated amplitude of P5 at the antenna of the transponder shall be:
  - 1) equal to or greater than the radiated amplitude of P6 from the side-lobe transmissions of the antenna radiating P6; and
  - 2) at a level lower than 9 dB below the radiated amplitude of P6 within the desired arc of interrogation.

#### 23.4.3.26 REPLY SIGNALS-IN-SPACE CHARACTERISTICS

- a) Reply carrier frequency. The carrier frequency of all replies (downlink transmissions) from transponders with Mode S capabilities shall be 1 090 plus or minus 1 MHz..
- b) Reply spectrum. The spectrum of a Mode S reply about the carrier frequency shall not exceed the limits specified in Figure 3-5.
- c) Polarization. Polarization of the reply transmissions shall be nominally vertical.
- d) Modulation. The Mode S reply shall consist of a preamble and a data block. The preamble shall be a 4pulse sequence and the data block shall be binary pulse- position modulated at a 1 megabit per second data rate.
- e) **Pulse shapes.** Pulse shapes shall be as defined in Table 3-2. All values are in microseconds.
- f) **Mode S reply.** The Mode S reply shall be as shown in Figure 3-6. The data block in

Mode S replies shall consist of either 56 or 112 information bits.

- g) **Pulse intervals.** All reply pulses shall start at a defined multiple of 0.5 microsecond from the first transmitted pulse. The tolerance in all cases shall be plus or minus 0.05 microsecond.
- h) **Reply preamble.** The preamble shall consist of four pulses, each with a duration of 0.5 microsecond. The pulse intervals from the first transmitted pulse to the second, third and fourth transmitted pulses shall be 1, 3.5 and 4.5 microseconds, respectively.
- i) **Reply data pulses.** The reply data block shall begin 8 microseconds after the leading edge of the first transmitted pulse. Either 56 or 112 one- microsecond bit intervals shall be assigned to each transmission. A 0.5-microsecond pulse shall be transmitted either in the first or in the second half of each interval. When a pulse transmitted in the second half of one interval is followed by another pulse transmitted in the first half of the next interval, the two pulses merge and a one-microsecond pulse shall be transmitted.
- j) **Pulse amplitudes.** The pulse amplitude variation between one pulse any other pulse in a Mode S reply shall not exceed 2 dB.

#### 23.4.4 MODE S DATA STRUCTURE

##### 23.4.4.1 DATA ENCODING

- a) **Interrogation data.** The interrogation data block shall consist of the sequence of 56 or 112 data chips positioned after the data phase reversals within P6. A 180-degree carrier phase reversal preceding a chip shall characterize that chip as a binary ONE. The absence of a preceding phase reversal shall denote a binary ZERO.
- b) **Reply data.** The reply data block shall consist of 56 or 112 data bits formed by binary pulse position modulation encoding of the reply data as described in 23.4.3.1.. A pulse transmitted in the first half of the interval shall represent a binary ONE whereas a pulse transmitted in the second half shall represent a binary ZERO.
- c) **Bit numbering.** The bits shall be numbered in the order of their transmission, beginning with bit 1. Unless otherwise stated, numerical values encoded by groups (fields) of bits shall be encoded using positive binary notation and the first bit transmitted shall be the most significant bit (MSB). Information shall be coded in fields which consist of at least one bit.

*Note.— In the description of Mode S formats the decimal equivalent of the binary code formed by the bit sequence within a field is used as the designator of the field function or command.*

##### 23.4.4.2 FORMATS OF MODE S INTERROGATIONS AND REPLIES

*Note.— A summary of all Mode S interrogation and reply formats is presented in Figures 3-7 and 3-8. A summary of all fields appearing in uplink and downlink formats is given in Table 3-3 and a summary of all subfields is given in Table 3-4.*

##### 23.4.4.3 ESSENTIAL FIELDS.

- a) Every Mode S transmission shall contain two essential fields. One is a descriptor which shall uniquely define the format of the transmission. This shall appear at the beginning of the transmission for all formats. The descriptors are designated by the UF (uplink format) or DF

(downlink format) fields. The second essential field shall be a 24-bit field appearing at the end of each transmission and shall contain parity information. In all uplink and in currently defined downlink formats parity information shall be overlaid either on the aircraft address or on the interrogator identifier according to 23.4.3.1. The designators are AP (address/parity) or PI (parity/interrogator identifier).

*Note.— The remaining coding space is used to transmit the mission fields. For specific functions, a specific set of mission fields is prescribed. Mode S mission fields have two-letter designators. Subfields may appear within mission fields. Mode S subfields are labelled with three-letter designators.*

- b) **UF: Uplink format.** This uplink format field (5 bits long except in format 24 where it is 2 bits long) shall serve as the uplink format descriptor in all Mode S interrogations and shall be coded according to Figure 3-7.
- c) **DF: Downlink format.** This downlink format field (5 bits long except in format 24 where it is 2 bits long) shall serve as the downlink format descriptor in all Mode S replies and shall be coded according to Figure 3- 8.
- d) **AP: Address/parity.** This 24-bit (33-56 or 89-112) field shall appear in all uplink and currently defined downlink formats except the Mode S-only all-call reply, DF = 11. The field shall contain parity overlaid on the aircraft address according to 23.4.3.1.
- e) **PI: Parity/interrogator identifier.** 24-bit (33-56) or (89- 12) downlink field shall have parity overlaid on the interrogator’s identity code and shall appear in the Mode S all-call reply, DF = 11 and in the extended squitter, DF = 17 or DF = 18. If the reply is made in response to a Mode A/C/S all-call, a Mode S- only all-call with CL field 3. and IC field equal to 0, or is an acquisition or an extended squitter the II and the SI codes shall be 0.
- f) **DP: Data parity.** This 24-bit (89-112) downlink field shall contain the parity overlaid on a “Modified AA” field which is established by performing a modulo-2 summation (e.g. Exclusive-Or function) of the discrete address most significant 8 bits and BDS1, BDS2, where BDS1 and BDS2 are provided by the “RR” and “RRS” as specified in 24.4.3.1.

Example:

Discrete address	= AA AA AA Hex	= 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010 1010
BDS1, BDS2	= 5F 00 00 Hex <sub>SEP</sub>	= 0101 1111 0000 0000 0000 0000
Discrete address	⊕ BDS1, BDS2 Hex	= 1111 0101 1010 1010 1010 1010
“Modified AA”	= F5 AA AA Hex	= 1111 0101 1010 1010 1010 1010

where “⊕” prescribes modulo-2 addition

The resulting “Modified AA” field then represents the 24-bit sequence (a1, a2...a24) that shall be used to generate the DP field in accordance with section 24.4.3.1.

The DP field shall be used in DF=20 and DF=21 replies if the transponder is capable of supporting the DP field and if the overlay control bit is set to one (1) in the interrogation requesting downlink of GICB registers.

- g) **Unassigned coding space.** Unassigned coding space shall contain all ZEROs as transmitted by interrogators and transponders.

*Note.— Certain coding space indicated as unassigned in this section is reserved for other applications such as ACAS, data link, etc.*

- h) **Zero and unassigned codes.** A zero code assignment in all defined fields shall indicate that no action is required by the field. In addition, codes not assigned within the fields shall indicate that no action is required.

*Note.— The provisions of Part 24 ensure that future assignments of previously unassigned coding space will not result in ambiguity. That is, Mode S equipment in which the new coding has not been implemented will clearly indicate that no information is being transmitted in newly assigned coding space.*

- i) **Formats reserved for military use.** States shall ensure that uplink formats are only used for selectively addressed interrogations and that transmissions of uplink or downlink formats do not exceed the RF power, interrogation rate, reply rate and squitter rate requirements of Part 23.
- j) **Through investigation and validation,** States shall ensure that military applications do not unduly affect the existing 1 030/1 090 MHz civil aviation operations environment.

#### 23.4.4.4 ERROR PROTECTION

- a) **Technique.** Parity check coding shall be used within Mode S interrogations and replies to provide protection against the occurrence of errors.
- b) Parity check sequence. A sequence of 24 parity check bits shall be generated by the rule described in 23.4.3.1. and shall be incorporated into the field formed by the last 24 bits of all Mode S transmissions. The parity check bits shall be combined with either the address coding or the interrogator identifier coding as described in 23. 4.3.1. The resulting combination then forms either the AP (address/parity, 23.4.3.1.) field or the PI (parity/interrogator identifier, also in 23.4.3.1.) field.
- c) Parity check sequence generation. The sequence of 24 parity bits (p1, p2,..., p24) shall be generated from the sequence of information bits (m1, m2,..., mk) where k is 32 or 88 for short or long transmissions respectively. This shall be done by means of a code generated by the polynomial:

$$G(x) = 1 + x^3 + x^{10} + x^{12} + x^{13} + x^{14} + x^{15} + x^{16} + x^{17} + x^{18} + x^{19} + x^{20} + x^{21} + x^{22} + x^{23} + x^{24}$$

When by the application of binary polynomial algebra,  $x^{24} [M(x)]$  is divided by  $G(x)$  where the information sequence  $M(x)$  is:

$$m_k + m_{k-1}x + m_{k-2}x^2 + \dots + m_1x^{k-1}$$

the result is a quotient and a remainder  $R(x)$  of degree less than 24. The bit sequence formed by this remainder represents the parity check sequence. Parity bit  $p_i$ , for any  $i$  from 1 to 24, is

the coefficient of  $x^{24-i}$  in  $R(x)$ .

*Note.— The effect of multiplying  $M(x)$  by  $x^{24}$  is to append 24 ZERO bits to the end of the sequence.*

- d) AP and PI field generation. Different address parity sequences shall be used for the uplink and downlink. The code used in uplink AP field generation shall be formed as specified below from either the aircraft address, the all-call address or the broadcast address.

*Note.— The uplink sequence is appropriate for a transponder decoder implementation. The downlink sequence facilitates the use of error correction in downlink decoding.*

- e) The code used in downlink AP field generation shall be formed directly from the sequence of 24 Mode S address bits ( $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{24}$ ), where  $a_i$  is the  $i$ -th bit transmitted in the aircraft address (AA) field of an all-call reply.
- f) The code used in downlink PI field generation shall be formed by a sequence of 24 bits ( $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{24}$ ), where the first 17 bits are ZEROs, the next three bits are a replica of the code label (CL) field and the last four bits are a replica of the interrogator code (IC) field.
- g) A modified sequence ( $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{24}$ ) shall be used for uplink AP field generation. Bit  $b_i$  is the coefficient of  $x^{48-i}$  in the polynomial  $G(x)A(x)$ , where:  
 $A(x) = a_1x^{23} + a_2x^{22} + \dots + a_{24}$  and  $G(x)$  is as defined in 23.4.3.1. In the aircraft address  $a_i$  shall be the  $i$ -th bit transmitted in the AA field of an all-call reply. In the all-call and broadcast addresses  $a_i$  shall equal 1 for all values of  $i$ .
- h) **Uplink transmission order.** The sequence of bits transmitted in the uplink AP field is:  $t_k + 1, t_k + 2 \dots t_k + 24$  where the bits are numbered in order of transmission, starting with  $k + 1$ . In uplink transmissions:  $t_k + i = b_i \oplus p_i$  where " $\oplus$ " prescribes modulo-2 addition:  $i$  equals 1 is the first bit transmitted in the AP field.
- i) **Downlink transmission order.** The sequence of bits transmitted in the downlink AP and PI field is:  $t_k + 1, t_k + 2 \dots t_k + 24$  where the bits are numbered in order of transmission, starting with  $k + 1$ . In downlink transmissions:  $t_k + i = a_i \oplus p_i$  where " $\oplus$ " prescribes modulo-2 addition:  $i$  equals 1 is the first bit transmitted in the AP or PI field.

#### **23.4.4.5 GENERAL INTERROGATION-REPLY PROTOCOL**

- a) **Transponder transaction cycle.** A transponder transaction cycle shall begin when the SSR Mode S transponder has recognized an interrogation. The transponder shall then evaluate the interrogation and determine whether it shall be accepted. If accepted, it shall then process the received interrogation and generate a reply, if appropriate. The transaction cycle shall end when:
- 1) any one of the necessary conditions for acceptance has not been met, or
  - 2) an interrogation has been accepted and the transponder has either:
    - i. completed the processing of the accepted interrogation if no reply is required, or
    - ii. completed the transmission of a reply. A new transponder transaction cycle shall not begin until the previous cycle has ended.

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- a) **Interrogation recognition.** SSR Mode S transponders shall be capable of recognizing the following distinct types of interrogations:
- 1) Modes A and C;
  - 2) intermode; and
  - 3) Mode S.

*Note.— The recognition process is dependent upon the signal input level and the specified dynamic range.*

- b) Mode A and Mode C interrogation recognition. A Mode A or Mode C interrogation shall be recognized when a P1 - P3 pulse pair meeting the requirements of 23.4.3.1.1.4 has been received, and the leading edge of a P4 pulse with an amplitude that is greater than a level 6 dB below the amplitude of P3 is not received within the interval from 1.7 to 2.3 microseconds following the leading edge of P3.

If a P1 - P2 suppression pair and a Mode A or Mode C interrogation are recognized simultaneously, the transponder shall be suppressed. An interrogation shall not be recognized as Mode A or Mode C if the transponder is in suppression. If a Mode A and a Mode C interrogation are recognized simultaneously the transponder shall complete the transaction cycle as if only a Mode C interrogation had been recognized.

- c) Intermode interrogation recognition. An intermode interrogation shall be recognized when a P1 - P3 -P4 pulse triplet meeting the requirements of 23.4.3. is received. An interrogation shall not be recognized as an intermode interrogation if:
- 1) the received amplitude of the pulse in the P4 position is smaller than 6 dB below the amplitude of P3; or
  - 2) the pulse interval between P3 and P4 is larger than 2.3 microseconds or shorter than 1.7 microseconds; or
  - 3) the received amplitude of P1 and P3 is between MTL and -45 dBm and the pulse duration of P1 or P3 is less than 0.3 microsecond; or
  - 4) the transponder is in suppression.

If a P1 - P2 suppression pair and a Mode A or Mode C intermode interrogation are recognized simultaneously the transponder shall be suppressed.

- d) **Mode S interrogation recognition.** A Mode S interrogation shall be recognized when a P6 pulse is received with a sync phase reversal within the interval from 1.20 to 1.30 microseconds following the leading edge of P6. A Mode S interrogation shall not be recognized if a sync phase reversal is not received within the interval from 1.05 to 1.45 microseconds following the leading edge of P6.
- e) **Interrogation acceptance.** Recognition according to 23.4.3.1. shall be a prerequisite for acceptance of any interrogation.

#### **23.4.4.6 MODE A AND MODE C INTERROGATION ACCEPTANCE.**

Mode A and Mode C interrogations shall be accepted when recognized.



**23.4.4.7 INTER MODE INTERROGATION ACCEPTANCE**

- a) **Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation acceptance.** A Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation shall be accepted if the trailing edge of P4 is received within 3.45 to 3.75 microseconds following the leading edge of P3 and no lockout condition prevents acceptance. A Mode A/C/S all-call shall not be accepted if the trailing edge of P4 is received earlier than 3.3 or later than 4.2 microseconds following the leading edge of P3, or if a lockout condition prevents acceptance.
- b) **Mode A/C-only all-call interrogation acceptance.** A Mode A/C- only all-call interrogation shall not be accepted by a Mode S transponder.

*Note.— The technical condition for non-acceptance of a Mode A/C- only all-call is given in the preceding paragraph by the requirement for rejecting an intermode interrogation with a P4 pulse having a trailing edge following the leading edge of P3 by less than 3.3 microseconds.*

- c) **Mode S interrogation acceptance.** A Mode S interrogation shall only be accepted if:
- 1) the transponder is capable of processing the uplink format (UF) of the interrogation;
  - 2) the address of the interrogation matches one of the addresses as defined in 23.4.3.1.1 implying that parity is established, as defined in 23.4.3.1;
  - 3) no all-call lockout condition applies, as defined in 23.4.3.1; and
  - 4) the transponder is capable of processing the up linked data and presenting it at an output interface as prescribed in This Part.

*Note.— A Mode S interrogation may be accepted if the conditions specified in this Part are met and the transponder is not capable of both processing the uplinked data of a Comm-A interrogation (UF=20 and 21) and presenting it at an output interface as prescribed in 24.4.3.1.*

- d) **Addresses.** Mode S interrogations shall contain either:
- 1) aircraft address; or
  - 2) the all-call address; or
  - 3) the broadcast address.
- e) **Aircraft address.** If the aircraft's address is identical to the address extracted from a received interrogation according to the procedure of this Sub Part, the extracted address shall be considered correct for purposes of Mode S interrogation acceptance.
- f) **All-call address.** A Mode S-only all-call interrogation (uplink format UF = 11) shall contain an address, designated the all-call address, consisting of twenty-four consecutive ONEs. If the all-call address is extracted from a received interrogation with format UF = 11 according to the procedure of 23.4.3.1, the address shall be considered correct for Mode S-only all-call interrogation acceptance.
- g) **Broadcast address.** To broadcast a message to all Mode S transponders within the interrogator beam, a Mode S interrogation uplink format 20 or 21 shall be used and an address of twenty-four consecutive ONEs shall be substituted for the aircraft address. If the UF code is 20 or 21 and this broadcast address is extracted from a received interrogation according to the procedure of this Sub Part, the address shall be considered correct for Mode S broadcast interrogation acceptance.

*Note.*— Transponders associated with airborne collision avoidance systems also accept a broadcast with UF = 16.

- h) **Transponder replies.** Mode S transponders shall transmit the following reply types:
- 1) Mode A and Mode C replies; and
  - 2) Mode S replies.
- i) **Mode A and Mode C replies.** A Mode A (Mode C) reply shall be transmitted as specified in 23.4.3.1. when a Mode A (Mode C) interrogation has been accepted.
- j) **Mode S replies.** Replies to other than Mode A and Mode C interrogations shall be Mode S replies.
- k) **Replies to intermode interrogations.** A Mode S reply with downlink format 11 shall be transmitted in accordance with the provisions of this Part when a Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation has been accepted. Equipment certified on or after 1 January 2020 shall not reply to Intermode Mode A/C/S all-call interrogations.

*Note.*— Since Mode S transponders do not accept Mode A/C-only all-call interrogations, no reply is generated.

- l) **Replies to Mode S interrogations.** The information content of a Mode S reply shall reflect the conditions existing in the transponder after completion of all processing of the interrogation eliciting that reply. The correspondence between uplink and downlink formats shall be as summarized in Table 3-5.

*Note.*— Four categories of Mode S replies may be transmitted in response to Mode S interrogations:

- i. Mode S all-call replies (DF = 11);
  - ii. surveillance and standard-length communications replies (DF = 4, 5, 20 and 21);
  - iii. extended length communications replies (DF = 24); and
  - iv. air-air surveillance replies (DF = 0 and 16).
- m) **Replies to SSR Mode S-only all-call interrogations.** The downlink format of the reply to a Mode S-only all-call interrogation (if required) shall be DF = 11. The reply content and rules for determining the requirement to reply shall be as defined in 23.4.3.1.

*Note.*— A Mode S reply may or may not be transmitted when a Mode S interrogation with UF = 11 has been accepted.

- n) **Replies to surveillance and standard length communications interrogations.** A Mode S reply shall be transmitted when a Mode S interrogation with UF = 4, 5, 20 or 21 and an aircraft address has been accepted. The contents of these interrogations and replies shall be as defined in 23.4.3.1.2.6.

*Note.*— If a Mode S interrogation with UF = 20 or 21 and a broadcast address is accepted, no reply is transmitted.

- o) **Replies to extended length communications interrogations.** A series of Mode S replies ranging in number from 0 to 16 shall be transmitted when a Mode S interrogation with UF = 24 has been accepted. The downlink format of the reply (if any) shall be DF = 24. Protocols defining the number content of the replies shall be as defined in this Sub Part.
- p) **Replies to air-air surveillance interrogations.** A Mode S reply shall be transmitted when a Mode S interrogation with UF = 0 and an aircraft address has been accepted. The contents of

these interrogations and replies shall be as defined in Sub Part 23.4.

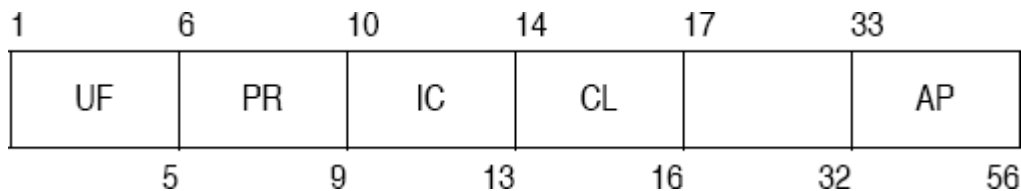
**23.4.4.8 SUPPRESSION**

- a) **Effects of suppression.** A transponder in suppression shall not recognize Mode A, Mode C or Inter mode interrogations if either the P1 pulse alone or both the P1 and P3 pulses of the interrogation are received during the suppression interval. Suppression shall not affect the recognition of, acceptance of, or replies to Mode S interrogations.
- b) **Suppression pairs.** The two-pulse Mode A/C suppression pair defined in 23.4.3.1. shall initiate suppression in a Mode S transponder regardless of the position of the pulse pair in a group of pulses, provided the transponder is not already suppressed or in a transaction cycle.
- c) Suppression in presence of S pulse shall be as defined in 23.4.

**23.4.4.9 INTERMODE AND MODE S ALL-CALL TRANSACTIONS**

- a) Mode S-only all-call transactions, uplink format 11

*Note.— These transactions allow the ground to acquire Mode S aircraft by use of an interrogation addressed to all Mode S- equipped aircraft. The reply is via downlink format 11 which returns the aircraft address. The interrogation-reply protocols are defined in 23.4.3.1.*



The format of this interrogation shall consist of these fields:

<b>Field</b>	<b>Reference</b>
MARCH 2018	LIBERIA CIVIL AVIATION (ANS) REGULATIONS <i>Part 23, Subpart 4 - Surveillance Radar And Collision</i>
UF uplink format	23.4.3.1.(a)
PR probability of reply	23.4.3.1.(b)
IC interrogator code	23.4 3.1.(c)
CL code label	23.4.3.1.(d)
spare -- 16 bits	
AP address/parity	23.4. 3.1.(e)

- b) PR: Probability of reply. This 4-bit (6-9) uplink field shall contain commands to the transponder specifying the probability of reply to that interrogation (23.4.3.1.) Codes are as follows:

- 0 signifies reply with probability of 1
- 1 signifies reply with probability of 1/2
- 2 signifies reply with probability of 1/4
- 3 signifies reply with probability of 1/8

4	signifies reply with probability of 1/16
5, 6, 7	not assigned
8	signifies disregard lockout, reply with probability of 1
9	signifies disregard lockout, reply with probability of 1/2
10	signifies disregard lockout, reply with probability of 1/4
11	signifies disregard lockout, reply with probability of 1/8
12	signifies disregard lockout, reply with probability of 1/16
13, 14, 15	not assigned.

- c) **IC: Interrogator code.** This 4-bit (10-13) uplink field shall contain either the 4-bit interrogator identifier code or the lower 4 bits of the 6-bit surveillance identifier code depending on the value of the CL field.
- d) It is recommended that whenever possible an interrogator shall operate using a single interrogator code.
- e) **The use of multiple interrogator codes by one interrogator.** An interrogator may use more than one interrogator code and may use different interrogator codes in different interrogations. An interrogator shall only use multiple interrogator codes on a sector basis and shall not use more than two interrogator codes.

*Note.— An explanation of RF interference issues, sector size and impact on data link transactions is presented in the Aeronautical Surveillance Manual (Doc 9924).*

- f)
- g) These II codes shall be assigned to interrogators in the range from 0 to 15. The II code value of 0 shall only be used for supplementary acquisition in conjunction with acquisition based on lockout override 23.4.  
. When two II codes are assigned to one interrogator only, one II code shall be used for full data link purposes. Limited data link activity including single segment Comm-A, uplink and downlink broadcast protocols and GICB extraction may be performed by both II codes.

*Note.— Limited data link activity including single segment Comm-A, uplink and downlink broadcast protocols and GICB extraction may be performed by both II codes.*

- h) **SI: Surveillance identifier.** This 6-bit value shall define a surveillance identifier (SI) code. These SI codes shall be assigned to interrogators in the range from 1 to 63. The SI code value of 0 shall not be used. The SI codes shall be used with the multi-site lockout protocols (23.4.3.1.2.6.9.1). The SI codes shall not be used with the multi-site communications protocols (23.4.3.1.2.6.11.3.2, 23.4.3.1.2.7.4 or 23.4.3.1.2.7.7).
- i) **CL: Code label.** This 3-bit (14-16) uplink field shall define the contents of the IC field. Coding (in binary)

*Coding (in binary)*

000	signifies that the IC field contains the II code
001	signifies that the IC field contains SI codes 1 to 15
010	signifies that the IC field contains SI codes 16 to 31
011	signifies that the IC field contains SI codes 32 to 47

100 signifies that the IC field contains SI codes 48 to 63

The other values of the CL field shall not be used.

- j) **Surveillance identifier (SI) code capability report.** Transponders which process the SI codes shall report this capability by setting bit 35 to 1 in the surveillance identifier capability (SIC) subfield of the MB field of the data link capability report.

#### **23.4.4.10 OPERATION BASED ON LOCKOUT OVERRIDE**

*Note 1.— The Mode S-only all-call lockout override provides the basis for acquisition of Mode S aircraft for interrogators that have not been assigned a unique IC (II or SI code) for full Mode S operation (protected acquisition by ensuring that other interrogator on the same IC can lock out the target in the same coverage area).*

*Note 2.— Lockout override is possible using any interrogator code.*

~~for an interrogator without an assigned interrogator code.~~

- a) **Maximum Mode S-only all-call interrogation rate.** The maximum rate of Mode S-only all-call interrogations made by an interrogator using acquisition based on lockout override shall depend on the reply probability as follows:
- 1) for a reply probability equal to 1.0: the smaller of 3 interrogations per 3 dB beam dwell or 30 interrogations per second;
  - 2) for a reply probability equal to 0.5: the smaller of 5 interrogations per 3 dB beam dwell or 60 interrogations per second; and
  - 3) for a reply probability equal to 0.25 or less: the smaller of 10 interrogations per 3 dB beam dwell or 125 interrogations per second.

*Note.— These limits have been defined in order to minimize the RF pollution generated by such a method while keeping a minimum of replies to allow acquisition of aircraft within a beam dwell.*

- b) Passive acquisition without using all-call interrogations should be used in the place of lockout override.

*Note.— The Aeronautical Surveillance Manual (Doc 9924) provides guidance on different passive acquisition methods.*

- c) **Field content for a selectively addressed interrogation used by an interrogator without an assigned interrogator code.** . An interrogator that has not been assigned with a unique discrete interrogator code and is authorized to transmit shall use the II code 0 to perform the selective interrogations. In this case, selectively addressed interrogations used in connection with acquisition using lockout override shall have interrogation field contents restricted as follows:

UF= 4, 5, 20 or 21

PC = 0

RR ≠ 16 if RRS = 0  
DI = 7

IIS = 0

LOS = 0 except as specified in 3.1.2.5.2.1. TMS = 0

*Note.— These restrictions permit surveillance and GICB transactions, but prevent the interrogation from making any changes to transponder multisite lockout or communications protocol states.*

**23.4.4.11 Supplementary acquisition using II equals 0**

*Note 1.— The acquisition technique defined in 3.1.2.5.2.1.4 provides rapid acquisition for most aircraft. Due to the probabilistic nature of the process, it may take many interrogations to acquire the last aircraft of a large set of aircraft in the same beam dwell and near the same range (termed a local garble zone). Acquisition performance is greatly improved for the acquisition of these aircraft through the use of limited selective lockout using II equals 0.*

*Note 2.— Supplementary acquisition consists of locking out acquired aircraft to II=0 followed by acquisition by means of the Mode S-only all-call interrogation with II=0. Only the aircraft not yet acquired and not yet locked-out will reply resulting in an easier acquisition.*

**23.4.4.12 Lockout within a beam dwell.**

When II equals 0 lockout is used to supplement the acquisition technique of this Sub Part all aircraft within the beam dwell of the aircraft being acquired shall be commanded to lockout to II equals 0, not just those in the garble zone.

*Note.— Lockout of all aircraft in the beam dwell will reduce the amount of all-call fruit replies generated to the II equals 0 all-call interrogations.*

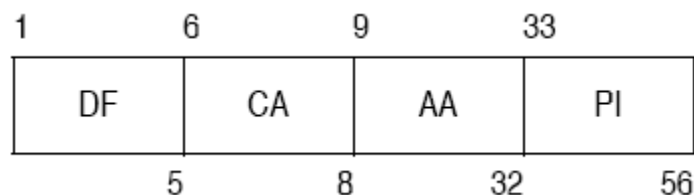
**23.4.4.13 Duration of lockout**

- a) Interrogators performing supplementary acquisition using II equals 0 shall perform acquisition by transmitting a lockout command for no more than two consecutive scans to each of the aircraft already acquired in the beam dwell containing the garble zone and shall not repeat it before 48 seconds have elapsed.

*Note.— Minimizing the lockout time reduces the probability of conflict with the acquisition activities of a neighbouring interrogator that is also using II equals 0 for supplementary acquisition.*

- b) Mode S only all-call interrogations with II = 0 for the purpose of supplementary acquisition shall should take place within a garble zone over no more than two consecutive scans or a maximum of 18 seconds.

- c) All-call reply, downlink format 11



The reply to the Mode S-only all-call or the Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation shall be the Mode S all-call reply, downlink format 11. The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:

- Field
- DF downlink format
- CA capability
- AA address announced
- PI parity/interrogator

- d) **CA: Capability.** This 3-bit (6-8) downlink field shall convey information on the transponder level, the additional information below, and shall be used in formats DF = 11 and DF = 17.

**Coding**

- 0 signifies Level 1 transponder (surveillance only), and no ability to set CA code 7 and either airborne or on the ground
- 1 reserved
- 2 reserved
- 3 reserved
- 4 signifies Level 2 or above transponder and ability to set CA code 7 and on the ground
- 5 signifies Level 2 or above transponder and ability to set CA code 7 and airborne
- 6 signifies Level 2 or above transponder and ability to set CA code 7 and either airborne or on the ground
- 7 signifies the DR field is not equal to 0 or the FS field equals 2, 3, 4 or 5, and either airborne or on the ground

When the conditions for CA code 7 are not satisfied, aircraft with Level 2 or above transponders:

That do not have automatic means to set the on-the-ground condition shall use CA code 6; and with automatic on-the-ground determination shall use CA code 4 when on the ground and 5 when airborne. Data link capability reports (3.1.2.6.10.2.2) shall be available from aircraft installations that set CA code 4, 5, 6 or 7.

*Note.— CA codes 1 to 3 are reserved to maintain backward compatibility.*

- e) **AA: Address announced.** This 24-bit (9-32) downlink field shall contain the aircraft address which provides unambiguous identification of the aircraft.
- f) **Lockout protocol.** The all-call lockout protocol defined in Sub Part shall be used by the interrogator with respect to an aircraft once the address of that specific aircraft has been acquired by an interrogator provided that:

- the interrogator is using an IC code different from zero; and
- the aircraft is located in an area where the interrogator is authorized to use lockout.

*Note 1.— Following acquisition, a transponder is interrogated by discretely addressed interrogations as prescribed in 3.1.2.6, 3.1.2.7 and 3.1.2.8 and the all-call lockout protocol is used to inhibit replies to further all-call interrogations.*

*Note 2.— Regional IC allocation bodies may define rules limiting the use of selective interrogation and lockout protocol (e.g. no lockout in defined limited area, use of intermittent lockout in defined areas, and no lockout of aircraft not yet equipped with SI code capability).*

- g) **Stochastic all-call protocol.** The transponder shall execute a random process upon acceptance of a Mode S- only all-call with a PR code equal to 1 to 4 or 9 to 12. A decision to reply shall be made in accordance with the probability specified in the interrogation. A transponder shall not reply if a PR code equal to 5, 6, 7, 13, 14 or 15 is received.

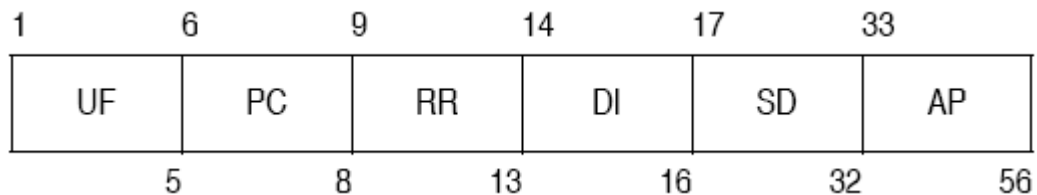
*Note.— The random occurrence of replies makes it possible for the interrogator to acquire closely spaced aircraft, replies from which would otherwise synchronously garble each other.*

**23.4.4.14 ADDRESSED SURVEILLANCE AND STANDARD LENGTH COMMUNICATION TRANSACTIONS**

*Note 1.— The interrogations described in this Subpart are addressed to specific aircraft. There are two basic interrogation and reply types, short and long. The short interrogations and replies are UF 4 and 5 and DF 4 and 5, while the long interrogations and replies are UF 20 and 21 and DF 20 and 21.*

*Note 2.— The communications protocols are given in 23.4. These protocols describe the control of the data exchange.*

**23.4.4.15 SURVEILLANCE, ALTITUDE REQUEST, UPLINK FORMAT 4**



The format of this interrogation shall consist of these fields:

- Field
- UF uplink format
- PC protocol
- RR reply request
- DI designator
- SD special designator
- AP address/parity

- a) PC: Protocol. This 3-bit, (6-8) uplink field shall contain operating commands to the transponder. The PC field values 2 through 7 shall be ignored and the values 0 and 1 shall be processed for surveillance or Comm-A interrogations containing DI =3.

**Coding**

- 0 signifies no action
- 1 signifies non-selective all-call lockout
- 2 not assigned
- 3 not assigned
- 4 signifies close out Comm-B
- 5 signifies close out uplink ELM
- 6 signifies close out downlink ELM
- 7 not assigned

- b) RR: Reply request. This 5-bit, (9-13) uplink field shall command the length and content of a requested reply.

The last four bits of the 5-bit RR code, transformed into their decimal equivalent, shall designate the BDS1 code of the requested Comm-B message if the most significant bit (MSB) of the RR code is 1 (RR is equal to or greater than 16).

**Coding**



- RR = 0-15 shall be used to request a reply with surveillance format (DF = 4 or 5);
- RR = 16-31 shall be used to request a reply with Comm-B format (DF = 20 or 21);
- RR = 16 shall be used to request transmission of an air- initiated Comm-B according to 23.4;
- RR = 17 shall be used to request a data link capability report according to 23.4.;
- RR = 18 shall be used to request aircraft identification according to 23.4 are not assigned in 23.4.3.1

*Note.— Codes 19-31 are reserved for applications such as data link communications, airborne collision avoidance systems (ACAS), etc.*

**23.4.4.16 DI: Designator identification.**

- a) This 3-bit (14-16) uplink field shall identify the structure of the SD field.

Coding

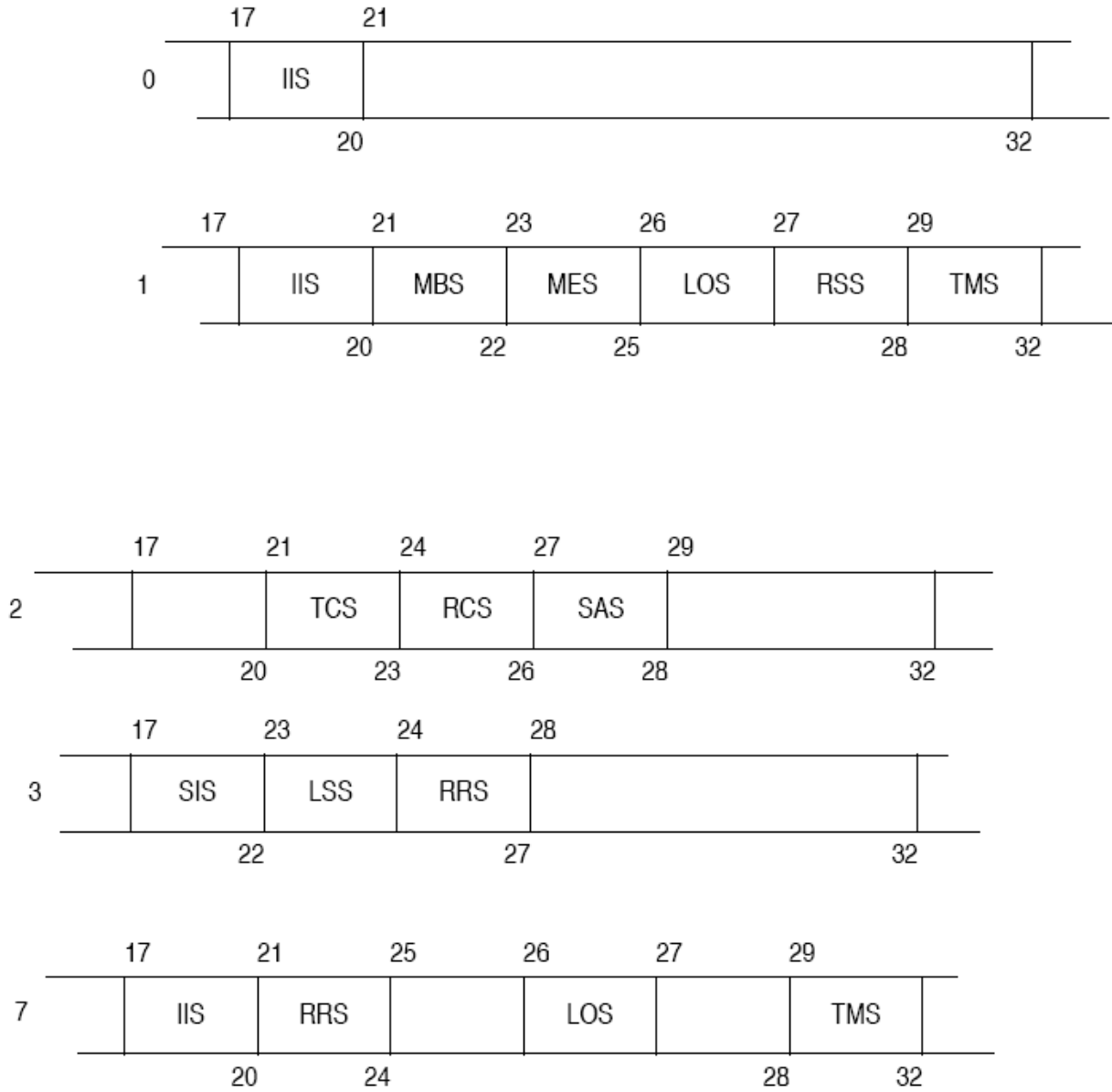
- 0 signifies SD not assigned except for IIS, bits 21-27 and 29- 32 are not assigned, and bit 28 contains the “OVC” (overlay control - )
- 1 signifies SD contains multisite and communications control information
- 2 signifies SD contains control data for extended squitter
- 3 signifies SD contains SI multisite lockout, broadcast and GICB control information, and bit 28 contains the “OVC” (overlay control - )
- 4-6 signifies SD not assigned
- 7 signifies SD contains extended data readout request, multisite and communications control information, and bit 28 contains the “OVC” (overlay control - )

- b) SD: Special designator. This 16-bit (17-32) uplink field shall contain control codes which depend on the coding in the DI field.

*Note.— The special designator (SD) field is provided to accomplish the transfer of multisite, lockout and communications control information from the ground station to the transponder.*

*DI CODE*

*SD FIELD STRUCTURE*



c) Subfields in SD. The SD field shall contain information as follows:

- 1) If DI = 0, 1 or 7:

IIS, the 4-bit (17-20) interrogator identifier subfield shall contain an assigned identifier code of the interrogator 23.4.3.1.2.5.2.1.2.3).

- 2) If DI = 0:  
bits 21-32 are not assigned.

- 3) If DI = 1:  
MBS, the 2-bit (21, 22) multisite Comm-B subfield shall have the following codes:

- 0 signifies no Comm-B action
- 1 signifies air-initiated Comm-B reservation request
- 2 signifies Comm-B closeout
- 3 not assigned.

MES, the 3-bit (23-25) multi-site ELM subfield shall contain reservation and closeout commands for ELM as follows:

- 0 signifies no ELM action
- 1 signifies uplink ELM reservation request
- 2 signifies uplink ELM closeout
- 3 signifies downlink ELM reservation request
- 4 signifies downlink ELM closeout
- 5 signifies uplink ELM reservation request and downlink ELM closeout
- 6 signifies uplink ELM closeout and downlink ELM reservation request
- 7 signifies uplink ELM and downlink ELM closeouts.

RSS, the 2-bit (27, 28) reservation status subfield shall request the transponder to report its reservation status in the UM field. The following codes have been assigned:

- 0 signifies no request
- 1 signifies report Comm-B reservation status in UM
- 2 signifies report uplink ELM reservation status in UM
- 3 signifies report downlink ELM reservation status in UM.

4) If DI = 1 or 7:

LOS, the 1-bit (26) lockout subfield, if set to 1, shall signify a multisite lockout command from the interrogator indicated in IIS.

LOS set to 0, shall be used to signify that no change in lockout state is commanded.

TMS, the 4-bit (29-32) tactical message subfield shall contain communications control information used by the data link avionics.

5) If DI = 7:

RRS, the 4-bit (21-24) reply request subfield in SD shall give the BDS2 code of a requested Comm-B reply. Bits 25, 27 and 28 are not assigned.

6) If DI = 2:

TCS, the 3-bit (21-23) type control subfield in SD shall control the extended squitter airborne and surface format types reported by the transponder and its response to Mode A/C, Mode A/C/S all-call and Mode S-only all-call interrogations. The following codes have been assigned:

- 0 signifies no surface format types or reply inhibit command
- 1 signifies use surface position type for the next 15 seconds
- 2 signifies surface format type for the next 15 seconds

- 3 signifies cancel surface format types and reply inhibit command
- 4-7 not assigned.

The transponder shall be able to accept a new command even though a prior command has not as yet timed out.

RCS, the 3-bit (24-26) rate control subfield in SD shall control the squitter rate of the transponder when it is reporting the surface type formats. This subfield shall have no effect on the transponder squitter rate when it is reporting the airborne type formats. The following codes have been assigned:

- 0 signifies no surface extended squitter rate command
- 1 signifies report high surface extended squitter rate for 60 seconds
- 2 signifies report low surface squitter rate for 60 seconds 3-7 reserved

*Note 1.— The definition of high and low extended squitter rates is given in 23.4. and applies to the surface position, aircraft identification and category, and the operational status messages.*

*Note 2.— As stated in 23.4, acquisition squitters are transmitted when surface type format extended squitters are not being transmitted.*

SAS, the 2-bit (27-28) surface antenna subfield in SD shall control the selection of the transponder diversity antenna that is used for (1) the extended squitter when the transponder is reporting the surface format, and (2) the acquisition squitter when the transponder is reporting the on-the-ground status. This subfield shall have no effect on the transponder diversity antenna selection when it is reporting the airborne status. The following codes have been assigned:

- 0 signifies no antenna command
- 1 signifies alternate top and bottom antennas for 120 seconds
- 2 signifies use bottom antenna for 120 seconds
- 3 signifies return to the default.

*Note.— The top antenna is the default condition .*

- 7) If DI = 3:

SIS, the 6-bit (17-22) surveillance identifier subfield in SD shall contain an assigned surveillance identifier code of the interrogator.

LSS, the 1-bit (23) lockout surveillance subfield, if set to 1, shall signify a multisite lockout command from the interrogator indicated in SIS. If set to 0, LSS shall signify that no change in lockout state is commanded.

RRS, the 4-bit (24-27) reply request subfield in SD shall contain the BDS2 code of a requested GICB register.

Bits 28 to 32 are not assigned.

- 1) If DI=4, 5 or 6 then the SD field has no meaning and shall not impact other transaction cycle protocols. These DI codes remain reserved until future assignment of the SD field.

8) If DI = 0, 3 or 7:

In addition to the requirements provided above, the “SD” shall contain the following:

“OVC”: The 1-bit (bit 28) “overlay control” subfield in “SD” is used by the interrogator to command that the data parity be overlaid upon the resulting reply to the interrogation.

**23.4.4.17 TCS subfield equal to one (1) in the SD field for extended squitters.**

When the TCS subfield in the SD field is set equal to one (1), it shall signify the following:

- a. broadcast of the extended squitter surface formats, including the surface position message, the identification and category message, the aircraft operational status message and the aircraft status message for the next 15 seconds at the appropriate rates on the top antenna for aircraft systems having the antenna diversity capability, except if otherwise specified by SAS;
- b. inhibit replies to Mode A/C, Mode A/C/S all-call and Mode S-only all-call interrogations for the next 15 seconds;
- c. broadcast of acquisition squitters as per this Sub Part using specified antenna
- d. does not impact the air/ground state reported via the CA, FS and VS fields;
- e. discontinue broadcast of the extended squitter airborne message formats; and
- f. broadcast of the extended squitter surface formats at the rates according to the TRS subfield unless commanded to transmit at the rates set by the RCS subfield.

**23.4.4.18 TCS SUBFIELD EQUAL TO TWO (2) IN THE SD FIELD FOR EXTENDED SQUITTERS.**

When the TCS subfield in the SD field is set equal to two (2), it shall signify the following:

- a) broadcast of the extended squitter surface formats, including the surface position message in 23.4, the identification and category message, the aircraft operational status message (23.4.3.1.2.8.6.4.6) and the aircraft status message (23.4.3.1.2.8.6.4.6) for the next 60 seconds at the appropriate rates on the top antenna for aircraft systems having the antenna diversity capability, except if otherwise specified by SAS (23.4.3.1.2.6.1.4.1 f));
- b) inhibit replies to Mode A/C, Mode A/C/S all-call and Mode S- only all-call interrogations for the next 60 seconds;
- c) broadcast of acquisition squitters as per 23.4.3.1.2.8.5 using antenna as specified in 23.4.3.1.2.8.5.3 a);
- d) does not impact the air/ground state reported via the CA, FS and VS fields;
- e) discontinue broadcast of the extended squitter airborne message formats; and
- f) broadcast of the extended squitter surface formats at the rates according to the TRS subfield unless commanded to transmit at the rates set by the RCS subfield.

**23.4.4.19 PC AND SD FIELD PROCESSING.**

When DI = 1, PC field procession shall be completed before processing the SD Field

The format of this interrogation shall consist of these fields:

Field  
UF uplink format  
PC protocol  
RR reply request

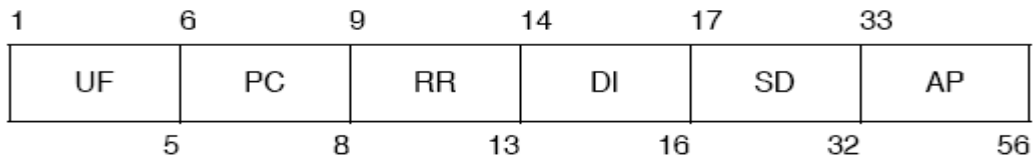
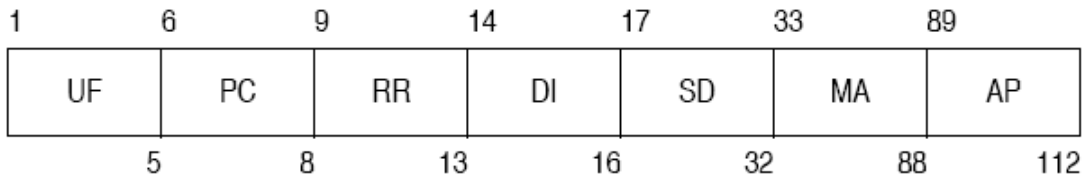
DI designator identification

SD special designator

MA message, Comm-A

AP address/parity

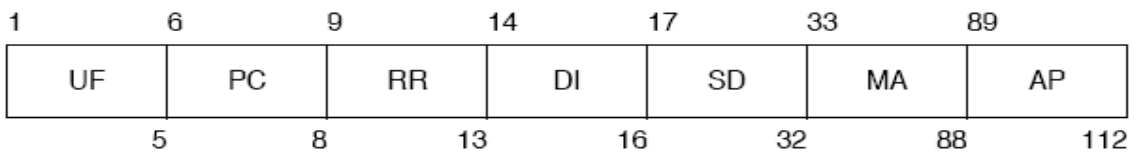
**COMM-A ALTITUDE REQUEST, UPLINK FORMAT 20**



The format of this interrogation shall consist of these fields:

Field	Reference
UF uplink format	23.4.3.1.2.3.2.1.1
PC protocol	23.4.3.1.2.6.1.1
DI designator	23.4.3.1.2.6.1.3
SD special designator	23.4.3.1.2.6.1.4
AP address/parity	23.4.3.1.2.6.1.5

**COMM-A IDENTITY REQUEST, UPLINK FORMAT 21**

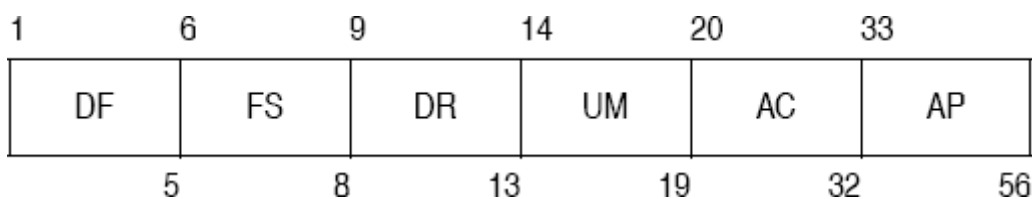


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The format of this interrogation shall consist of these fields:

Field	Reference
UF Uplink format	23.4.3.1.2.3.2.1.1
PC protocol	23.4.3.1.2.6.1.1
RR reply request	23.4. 3.1.2.6.1.2
DI designator identification	23.4.3.1.2.6.1.3
SD special designator	23.4.3.1.2.6.1.4
MA message, Comm-A	23.4.3.1.2.6.2.1
AP address/parity	23.4.3.1.2.3.2.1.3

### SURVEILLANCE ALTITUDE REPLY, DOWNLINK FORMAT 4



- a) This reply shall be generated in response to an interrogation UF 4 or 20 with an RR field value less than 16. The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:

Field	Reference
DF downlink format	23.4.3.1.2.3.2.1
FS flight status	23.4.3.1.2.6.5.1
DR downlink request	23.4.3.1.2.6.5.2
UM utility message	23.4.3.1.2.6.5.3
AC altitude code	23.4.3.1.2.6.5.4
AP address/parity	23.4.3.1.2.3.2.1

- b) **FS: Flight status.** This 3-bit (6-8) downlink field shall contain the following information:

Coding	
0	signifies no alert and no SPI, aircraft is airborne
1	signifies no alert and no SPI, aircraft is on the ground
2	signifies alert, no SPI, aircraft is airborne
3	signifies alert, no SPI, aircraft is on the ground
4	signifies alert and SPI, aircraft is airborne or on the ground
5	signifies no alert and SPI, aircraft is airborne or on

	the ground
6	reserved
7	not assigned

*Note.*— The conditions which cause an alert are given in 3.1.2.6.10.1.1.

- c) **DR: Downlink request.** This 5-bit (9-13) downlink field shall contain requests to downlink information.

Coding	
0	signifies no downlink request
1	signifies request to send Comm-B message
2	reserved for ACAS
3	reserved for ACAS
4	signifies Comm-B broadcast message 1 available
5	signifies Comm-B broadcast message 2 available
6	reserved for ACAS
7	reserved for ACAS
8-15	not assigned

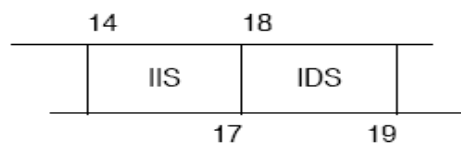
16-31 see downlink ELM protocol Codes 1-15 shall take precedence over codes 16-31.

*Note.*— Giving precedence to codes 1-15 permits the announcement of a Comm-B message to interrupt the announcement of a downlink ELM. This gives priority to the announcement of the shorter message.

- d) **UM: Utility message.** This 6-bit (14-19) downlink field shall contain transponder communications status information as specified in 23.4. 3.

**23.4.4.20 SUBFIELDS IN UM FOR MULTISITE PROTOCOLS**

*UM FIELD STRUCTURE*



- a. The following subfields shall be inserted by the transponder into the UM field of the reply if a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation (UF equals 4, 5, 20, 21) contains DI = 1 and RSS other than 0:
- b. IIS: The 4-bit (14-17) interrogator identifier subfield reports the identifier of the interrogator that is reserved for multi-site communications.
- c. IDS: The 2-bit (18, 19) identifier designator subfield reports the type of reservation made by the interrogator identified in IIS.
- d. Assigned coding is:



- 0 signifies no information
- 1 signifies IIS contains Comm-B II code
- 2 signifies IIS contains Comm-C II code
- 3 signifies IIS contains Comm-D II code.

e. **Multi site reservation status.** The interrogator identifier of the ground station currently reserved for multi site Comm- B delivery shall be transmitted in the IIS subfield together with code 1 in the IDS subfield if the UM content is not specified by the interrogation (when DI = 0 or 7, or when DI = 1 and RSS = 0).

The interrogator identifier of the ground station reserved for downlink ELM delivery, if any, shall be transmitted in the IIS subfield together with code 3 in the IDS subfield if the UM content is not specified by the interrogation and there is no current Comm-B reservation.

f. **AC: Altitude code.** This 13-bit (20-32) field shall contain altitude coded as follows:

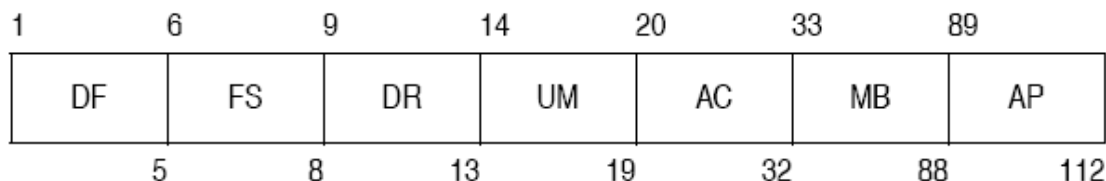
- 1) Bit 26 is designated as the M bit, and shall be 0 if the altitude is reported in feet. M equals 1 shall be reserved to indicate that the altitude reporting is in metric units.
- 2) If M equals 0, then bit 28 is designated as the Q bit. Q equals 0 shall be used to indicate that the altitude is reported in 100-foot increments. Q equals 1 shall be used to indicate that the altitude is reported in 25-foot increments.
- 3) If the M bit (bit 26) and the Q bit (bit 28) equal 0, the altitude shall be coded according to the pattern for Mode C replies of. Starting with bit 20 the sequence shall be C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, ZERO, B1, ZERO, B2, D2, B4, D4.
- 4) If the M bit equals 0 and the Q bit equals 1, the 11-bit field represented by bits 20 to 25, 27 and 29 to 32 shall represent a binary coded field with a least significant bit (LSB) of 25 ft. The binary value of the positive decimal integer “N” shall be encoded to report pressure-altitude in the range [(25 N - 1 000) plus or minus 12.5 ft]. The coding of shall be used to report pressure-altitude above 50 187.5 ft.

*Note 1.— This coding method is only able to provide values between minus 1 000 ft and plus 50 175 ft.*

*Note 2.— The most significant bit (MSB) of this field is bit 20 as required by 23.4.3.1.*

- 5) If the M bit equals 1, the 12-bit field represented by bits 20 to 25 and 27 to 31 shall be reserved for encoding altitude in metric units.
- 6) 0 shall be transmitted in each of the 13 bits of the AC field if altitude information is not available or if the altitude has been determined invalid.

**23.4.4.21 COMM-B ALTITUDE REPLY, DOWNLINK FORMAT 20**



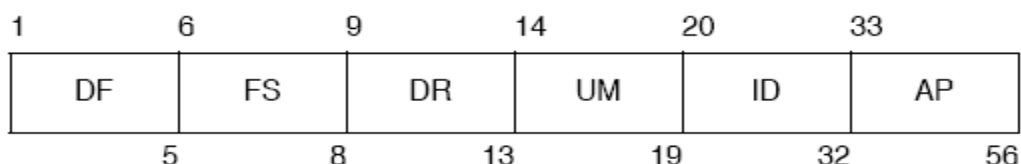
a) This reply shall be generated in response to an interrogation UF 4 or 20 with an RR field value

greater than 15. The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:

- Field
- DF downlink format
- FS flight status
- DR downlink request
- UM utility message
- AC altitude code
- MB message, Comm-B
- AP address/parity

- b) MB: Message, Comm-B. This 56-bit (33-88) downlink field shall be used to transmit data link messages to the ground.

**SURVEILLANCE IDENTITY REPLY, DOWNLINK FORMAT 5**

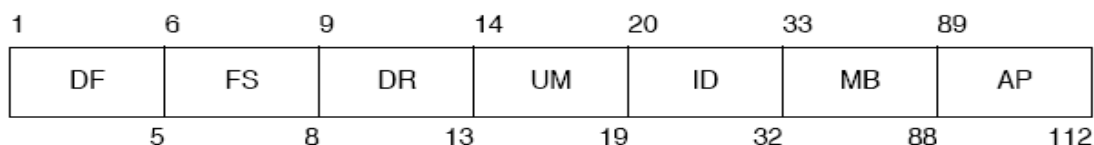


This reply shall be generated in response to an interrogation UF 5 or 21 with an RR field value less than 16. The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:

- Field
- DF downlink format
- FS flight status
- DR downlink request
- UM utility message
- ID identity
- AP address/parity

**ID: Identity (Mode A code).** This 13-bit (20-32) field shall contain aircraft identity code, in accordance with the pattern for Mode A replies in 23.4.3.1.1.6. Starting with bit 20, the sequence shall be C1, A1, C2, A2, C4, A4, ZERO, B1, D1, B2, D2, B4, D4.

**23.4.4.22 COMM-B IDENTITY REPLY, DOWNLINK FORMAT 21**



This reply shall be generated in response to an interrogation UF 5 or 21 with an RR field value greater than 15. The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:

- |                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Field               | Reference      |
| DF downlink format  | 23.4.3.1. (b)  |
| FS flight status    | 23.4.3.1. (a)  |
| DR downlink request | 23.4. 3.1. (b) |

UM utility message	23.4.3.1. (c)
ID identity	23. 4.3.1. (b)
MB message, Comm-B	23.4.3.1. (b)
AP address/parity	23.4.3.1. (b)

**23.4.4.23 LOCKOUT PROTOCOLS**

*Note.— Non-selective all-call lockout and multisite lockout are not mutually exclusive. Interrogators using multisite lockout protocols for interrogator networking coordination may use non-selective lockout commands in the same interrogation. For example, the non-selective lockout may be used to prevent Mode S transponder replies with DF=11 to wrongly detected Mode A/C/S all-call interrogations from Mode A/C-only all-call interrogations. This is because of the misinterpretation of the narrow P4 pulse as a wide P4 pulse.*

**23.4.4.24 MULTI SITE ALL-CALL LOCKOUT.**

*Note.— The multisite lockout protocol prevents transponder acquisition from being denied one ground station by lockout commands from an adjacent ground station that has overlapping coverage.*

The multi-site lockout command shall be transmitted in the SD field. A lockout command for an II code shall be transmitted in an SD with DI = 1 or DI= 7. An II lockout command shall be indicated by LOS code equals 1 and the presence of a non-zero interrogator identifier in the IIS subfield of SD. A lockout command for an SI code shall be transmitted in an SD with DI = 3. SI lockout shall be indicated by LSS equals 1 and the presence of a non-zero interrogator identifier in the SIS subfield of SD. After a transponder has accepted an interrogation containing a multi-site lockout command, that transponder shall commence to lock out (i.e. not accept) any Mode S-only all-call interrogation which includes the identifier of the interrogator that commanded the lockout. The lockout shall persist for an interval TL) after the last acceptance of an interrogation containing the multi-site lockout command. Multi-site lockout shall not prevent acceptance of a Mode S-only all-call interrogation containing PR codes 8 to 12. If a lockout command (LOS = 1) is received together with IIS= 0, it shall be interpreted as a non-selective all-call lockout.

*Note 1.— Fifteen interrogators can send independent multisite II lockout commands. In addition, 63 interrogators can send independent SI lockout commands. Each of these lockout commands must be timed separately.*

*Note 2.— Multisite lockout (which only uses non-zero II codes) does not affect the response of the transponder to Mode S-only all-call interrogations containing II equals 0 or to Mode A/C/S all-call interrogations.*

**23.4.4.25 NON-SELECTIVE ALL-CALL LOCKOUT**

*Note 1.— In cases where the multisite lockout protocol for II codes is not required (e.g. there is no overlapping coverage or there is ground station coordination via ground-to-ground communications) the non-selective lockout protocol may be used.*

- a. On acceptance of an interrogation containing code 1 in the PC field, a transponder shall commence to lock out (i.e. not accept) two types of all-call interrogations:
- b. the Mode S-only all-call (UF = 11), with II equals 0; and
- c. the Mode A/C/S all-call of 23.4.3.1.

- d. This lockout condition shall persist for an interval  $T_D$  after the last receipt of the command. Non-selective lockout shall not prevent acceptance of a Mode S-only all-call interrogation containing PR codes 8 to 12.

*Note 2.— Non-selective lockout does not affect the response of the transponder to Mode S-only all-call interrogations containing II not equal to 0.*

#### 23.4.4.26 BASIC DATA PROTOCOLS

- a) **Flight status protocol.** Flight status shall be reported in the FS field.
- b) **Alert.** An alert condition shall be reported in the FS field if the Mode A identity code transmitted in Mode A replies and in downlink formats DF equals 5 and DF equals 21 are changed by the pilot.
- c) **Permanent alert condition.** The alert condition shall be maintained if the Mode A identity code is changed to 7500, 7600 or 7700.
- d) **Temporary alert condition.** The alert condition shall be temporary and shall cancel itself after  $T_C$  seconds if the Mode A identity code is changed to a value other than those listed in Sub 24.3. The  $T_C$  shall be retriggered and continued for  $T_C$  seconds after any change has been accepted by the transponder function.

*Note 1.— This retriggering is performed to ensure that the ground interrogator obtains the desired Mode A identity code before the alert condition is cleared.*

*Note 2.— The value of  $T_C$  is given in 3.1.2.10.3.9.*

- e) **Termination of the permanent alert condition.** The permanent alert condition shall be terminated and replaced by a temporary alert condition when the Mode A identity code is set to a value other than 7500, 7600 or 7700.
- f) **Ground report.** The on-the-ground status of the aircraft shall be reported in the FS field and the CA field and the FS field. If an automatic indication of the on-the-ground condition (e.g. from a weight on wheels or strut switch) is available at the transponder data interface, it shall be used as the basis the reporting of on-the-ground status except as specified in 3.1.2.6.10.3.1. If such indication is not available at the transponder data interface (3.1.2.10.5.1.3), the FS and VS codes shall indicate that the aircraft is either airborne or on the ground (CA = 6).
- g) **Special position identification (SPI).** An equivalent of the SPI pulse shall be transmitted by Mode S transponders in the FS field and the surveillance status subfield (SSS) when manually activated. This pulse shall be transmitted for  $T_I$  seconds after initiation

*Note.— The value of  $T_I$  is given in 3.1.2.10.3.9.*

- h) **Capability reporting protocol.** The data structure and content of the data link capability report registers shall be implemented in such a way that interoperability is ensured.

*Note 1.— Aircraft capability is reported in special fields as defined in the following paragraphs.*

*Note 2.— The data format of the registers for reporting capability is specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- i) **Capability report.** The 3-bit CA field, contained in the all- call reply, DF equals 11, shall report the basic capability of the Mode S transponder as described in 23.4.
- j) **Data link capability report.** The data link capability report shall provide the interrogator with a description of the data link capability of the Mode S installation.

*Note.— The data link capability report is contained in register 1016 with a possible extension in registers 1116 to 1616 when any continuation will be required.*

**a) EXTRACTION SUBFIELDS IN MB FOR DATA LINK CAPABILITY REPORT.**

- a. **Extraction of the data link capability report contained in register 10<sub>16</sub>.** The report shall be obtained by a ground-initiated Comm-B reply in response to an interrogation containing RR equals 17 and DI is not equal to 7 or DI equals 7 and RRS equals 0 (3.1.2.6.11.2).
- b. **Sources of data link capability.** Data link capability reports shall contain the capabilities provided by the transponder, the ADLP and the ACAS unit. If external inputs are lost, the transponder shall zero the corresponding bits in the data link report.
- c. The data link capability report shall contain information on the following capabilities as specified in Table 3-6.
- d. The Mode S subnetwork version number shall contain information to ensure interoperability with older airborne equipment.
- e. The Mode S subnetwork version number shall indicate that all implemented subnetwork functions are in compliance with the requirements of the indicated version number. The Mode S subnetwork version number shall be set to a non-zero value if at least one DTE or Mode S specific service is installed.

*Note.— The version number does not indicate that all possible functions of that version are implemented*

- f. **Updating of the data link capability report.** The transponder shall, at intervals not exceeding four seconds, compare the current data link capability status (bits 41-88 in the data link capability report) with that last reported and shall, if a difference is noted, initiate a revised data link capability report by Comm-B broadcast) for BDS1 = 1 (33-36) and BDS 2 = 0 (37-40). The transponder shall initiate, generate and announce the revised capability report even if the aircraft data link capability is degraded or lost. The transponder shall ensure that the BDS code for the data link capability report in all cases, including a loss of the interface.

*Note.— The setting of the BDS code by the transponder ensures that a broadcast change of capability report will contain the BDS code for all cases of data link failure (e.g. the loss of the transponder data link interface).*

**g. Zeroing of bits in the data link capability report**

If capability information to the transponder fails to provide an update at a rate of at least once every 4 seconds, the transponder shall insert ZERO in bits 41 to 56 of the data link capability report (transponder register 10<sub>16</sub>).

*Note.— Bits 1 to 8 contain the BDS1 and BDS2 codes. Bits 16 and 37 to 40 contain ACAS capability*

information. Bit 33 indicates the availability of aircraft identification data and is set by the transponder when the data comes from a separate interface and not from the ADLP. Bit 35 is the SI code indication. All of these bits are inserted by the transponder.

- h. **Common usage GICB capability report.** Common usage GICB services which are being actively updated shall be indicated in transponder register 17<sub>16</sub>.
- i. **Mode S specific services GICB capability reports.** GICB services that are installed shall be reported in registers 18<sub>16</sub> to 1C.
- j. **Mode S specific services MSP capability reports.** MSP services that are installed shall be reported in registers 1D<sub>16</sub> to 1F.
- k. Validation of on-the-ground status declared by an automatic means.**

*Note. - For aircraft with an automatic means of determining vertical status, the CA field reports whether the aircraft is airborne or on the ground. ACAS II acquires aircraft using the short or extended squitter, both of which contain the CA field. If an aircraft reports on-the-ground status, that aircraft will not be interrogated by ACAS II in order to reduce unnecessary interrogation activity. If the aircraft is equipped to report extended squitter messages, the function that formats these messages may have information available to validate that an aircraft reporting “on-the-ground” is actually airborne.*

- 1. Aircraft with an automatic means for determining the on- the- ground state on which transponders have access to at least one of the parameters, ground speed, radio altitude or airspeed, shall perform the following validation check: If the automatically determined air/ground status is not available or is “airborne”, no validation shall be performed. If the automatically determined air/ground status is available and “on-the-ground” condition is being reported, the air/ ground status shall be overridden and changed to “airborne” if:

Ground Speed > 100 knots OR Airspeed > 100 knots OR Radio Altitude > 50 feet

<i>Determination of airborne status</i>					
<i>A/V category</i>	<i>Ground Speed</i>		<i>Airspeed</i>		<i>Radio Altitude</i>
No information	No change to on-the-ground status				
Weight < 15 500 lbs (7 031 kg)	No change to on-the-ground status				
Weight ≥15 500 lbs (7 031 kg)	>100 knots	or	>100 knots	or	>50 feet
High performance (>5 g acceleration and >400 knots)	>100 knots	or	>100 knots	or	>50 feet
Rotorcraft	No change to on-the-ground status				

### 23.4.5 STANDARD LENGTH COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOLS

*Note 1.— The two types of standard length communications protocols are Comm-A and Comm-B; messages using these protocols are transferred under the control of the interrogator. Comm-A messages are sent directly to the transponder and are completed within one transaction. A Comm-B message is used to transfer information from air to ground and can be initiated either by the interrogator or the transponder. In the case of ground-initiated Comm-B transfers, the interrogator requests data to be read out from the transponder, which delivers the message in the same transaction. In the case of air-initiated Comm-B transfers, the transponder announces the intention to transmit a message; in a subsequent transaction an interrogator will extract the message.*

*Note 2.— In a non-selective air-initiated Comm-B protocol all transactions necessary can be controlled by any interrogator.*

*Note 3.— In some areas of overlapping interrogator coverage there may be no means for coordinating interrogator activities via ground communications. Air-initiated Comm-B communications protocols require more than one transaction for completion. Provision is made to ensure that a Comm-B message is closed out only by the interrogator that actually transferred the message. This can be accomplished through the use of the multisite Comm-B communications protocols or through the use of the enhanced Comm-B communications protocols.*

*Note 4.— The multisite and the non-selective communications protocols cannot be used simultaneously in a region of overlapping interrogator coverage unless the interrogators coordinate their communications activities via ground communications.*

*Note 5.— The multisite communications protocol is independent of the multisite lockout protocol. That is, the multisite communications protocol may be used with the non-selective lockout protocol and vice versa. The choice of lockout and communications protocols to be used depends upon the network management technique being used.*

*Note 6.— The broadcast Comm-B protocol can be used to make a message available to all active interrogators.*

- a) **Comm-A.** The interrogator shall deliver a Comm-A message in the MA field of an interrogation UF = 20 or 21.
- b) **Comm-A technical acknowledgement.** Acceptance of a Comm-A interrogation shall be automatically technically acknowledged by the transponder, by the transmission of the requested reply.

*Note.— The receipt of a reply from the transponder is the acknowledgement to the interrogator that the interrogation has been accepted by the transponder. If either uplink or downlink fail, this reply will be missing and the interrogator will normally send the message again. In the case of downlink failure, the transponder may receive the message more than once.*

- c) **Comm-A broadcast.** If a Comm-A broadcast interrogation is accepted information transfer shall be handled but other transponder functions shall not be affected and a reply shall not be transmitted.

*Note 1.— There is no technical acknowledgement to a Comm-A broadcast message.*

*Note 2.— Since the transponder does not process the control fields of a Comm-A broadcast interrogation, the 27 bits following the UF field are also available for user data.*

#### 23.4.5.1 GROUND-INITIATED COMM-B

- a) **Comm-B data selector, BDS.** The 8-bit BDS code shall determine the register whose contents shall be transferred in the MB field of the Comm-B reply. It shall be expressed in two groups of 4 bits each, BDS1 (most significant 4 bits) and BDS2 (least significant 4 bits).

*Note.— The transponder register allocation is specified in Part 23, Subpart 3, Part I, Section 23.3.4, Table 5-24.*

- b) **BDS1 code.** The BDS1 code shall be as defined in the RR field of a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation.
- c) **BDS2 code.** The BDS2 code shall be as defined in the RRS subfield of the SD field when DI=7.
- d) If no BDS2 code is specified (i.e. DI is not equal to 7) it shall signify that BDS2 = 0.
- e) **Protocol.** On receipt of such a request, the MB field of the reply shall contain the contents of the requested ground- initiated Comm- B register.
- f) If the requested register is not serviced by the aircraft installation, the transponder shall reply and the MB field of the reply shall contain all ZEROS.
- g) **Overlay control.** If the “DI” code of the Comm-B requesting interrogation is 0, 3 or 7, the “SD” contains the overlay control (OVC) field.
- 1) If the “OVC” is equal to “1,” then the reply to the interrogation shall contain the “DP” (data parity) field; and
  - 2) If the “OVC” is equal to “0,” then the reply to the interrogation shall contain the “AP” field.

#### 23.4.5.2 AIR-INITIATED COMM-B

- a) **General protocol.** The transponder shall announce the presence of an air-initiated Comm-B message with the insertion of code 1 in the DR field. To extract an air-initiated Comm-B message, the interrogator shall transmit a request for a Comm-B message reply in a subsequent interrogation with RR equal to 16 and, if DI equals 7, RRS must be equal to 0. Receipt of this request code shall cause the transponder to transmit the air-initiated Comm-B message. If a command to transmit an air-initiated Comm-B message is received while no message is waiting to be transmitted, the reply shall contain all ZEROS in the MB field.



The reply that delivers the message shall continue to contain code 1 in the DR field. After a Comm-B closeout has been accomplished, the message shall be cancelled and the DR code belonging to this message immediately removed. If another air-initiated Comm-B message is waiting to be transmitted, the transponder shall set the DR code to 1, so that the reply contains the announcement of this next message.

*Note.— The announcement and cancellation protocol ensures that an air-initiated message will not be lost due to uplink or downlink failures that occur during the delivery process.*

- b) Additional protocol for multi site air-initiated Comm-B

*Note.— The announcement of an air-initiated Comm-B message waiting to be delivered may be accompanied by a multisite reservation status report in the UM field.*

An interrogator shall not attempt to extract a message if it has determined that it is not the reserved site.

- c) Message transfer. An interrogator shall request a Comm-B reservation and extract an air-initiated Comm-B message by transmitting a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation UF equals 4, 5, 20 or 21 containing:

RR = 16

DI = 1

IIS = assigned interrogator identifier MBS =  
1 (Comm-B reservation request)

*Note.— A Comm-B multisite reservation request is normally accompanied by a Comm-B reservation status request (RSS = 1). This causes the interrogator identifier of the reserved site to be inserted in the UM field of the reply.*

- d) Protocol procedure in response to this interrogation shall depend upon the state of the B-timer which indicates if a Comm-B reservation is active. This timer shall run for TR seconds.

- 1) If the B-timer is not running, the transponder shall grant a reservation to the requesting interrogator by:
- storing the IIS of the interrogation as the Comm-B II; and
  - starting the B-timer.

A multisite Comm-B reservation shall not be granted by the transponder unless an air-initiated Comm-B message is waiting to be transmitted and the requesting interrogation contains RR equals 16, DI equals 1, MBS equals 1 and IIS is not 0.

- 2) If the B-timer is running and the IIS of the interrogation equals the Comm-B II, the transponder shall restart the B-timer.
- 3) If the B-timer is running and the IIS of the interrogation does not equal the Comm-B II, then there shall be no change to the Comm-B II or the B-timer.

- e) In each case the transponder shall reply with the Comm-B message in the MB field.

- f) An interrogator shall determine if it is the reserved site for this message through coding in the UM field. If it is the reserved site it shall attempt to close out the message in a subsequent interrogation. If it is not the reserved site it shall not attempt to close out the message.

- g) **Multisite-directed Comm-B transmissions.** To direct an air-initiated Comm-B message to a specific interrogator, the multi-site Comm-B protocol shall be used. When the B-timer is not running, the interrogator identifier of the desired destination shall be stored as the Comm-B II. Simultaneously the B-timer shall be started and the DR code shall be set to 1. For a multi site-directed Comm-B message, the B-timer shall not automatically time out but shall continue to run until:
- 1) the message is read and closed out by the reserved site; or
  - 2) the message is cancelled by the data link avionics.

*Note.— The protocols will then result in delivery of the message to the reserved site. The data link avionics may cancel the message if delivery to the reserved site cannot be accomplished.*

- h) **Multi-site Comm-B closeout.** The interrogator shall close out a multi-site air-initiated Comm-B by transmitting either a surveillance or a Comm-A interrogation containing:

either DI = 1  
IIS = assigned interrogator identifier MBS  
= 2 (Comm-B closeout)

or DI = 0, 1 or 7  
IIS = assigned interrogator identifier PC  
= 4 (Comm-B closeout)

The transponder shall compare the IIS of the interrogation to the Comm-B II and if the interrogator identifiers do not match, the message shall not be cleared and the status of the Comm-B II, B-timer, and DR code shall not be changed. If the interrogator identifiers match, the transponder shall set the Comm-B II to 0, reset the B-timer, clear the DR code for this message and clear the message itself. The transponder shall not close out a multi-site air-initiated Comm-B message unless it has been read out at least once by the reserved site.

- i) **Automatic expiration of Comm-B reservation.** If the B-timer period expires before a multisite closeout has been accomplished, the Comm-B II shall be set to 0 and the B-timer reset. The Comm-B message and the DR field shall not be cleared by the transponder.

*Note.— This makes it possible for another site to read and clear this message.*

### **23.4.5.3 ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL FOR NON-SELECTIVE AIR-INITIATED COMM-B**

*Note.— In cases where the multisite protocols are not required (i.e. no overlapping coverage or sensor coordination via ground-to-ground communication), the non-selective air-initiated Comm-B protocol may be used.*

- a) **Message transfer.** The interrogator shall extract the message by transmitting either RR equals 16 and DI is not equal to 7, or RR equals 16, DI equals 7 and RRS equals 0 in a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation.
- b) **Comm-B closeout.** The interrogator shall close out a non-selective air-initiated Comm-B message by transmitting PC equals 4 (Comm-B closeout). On receipt of this command, the transponder shall perform closeout, unless the B-timer is running. If the B-timer is running, indicating that a multi site reservation is in effect, closeout shall be accomplished as per 23.4.3.1. The transponder shall not close out a non-selective air-initiated Comm-B message unless it has been read out at least once by an interrogation using non-selective protocols.

#### 23.4.5.4 ENHANCED AIR-INITIATED COMM-B PROTOCOL.

*Note.— The enhanced air-initiated Comm-B protocol provides a higher data link capacity by permitting parallel delivery of air-initiated Comm-B messages by up to sixteen interrogators, one for each II code. Operation without the need for multisite Comm-B reservations is possible in regions of overlapping coverage for interrogators equipped for the enhanced air-initiated Comm-B protocol. The protocol is fully conformant to the standard multisite protocol and thus is compatible with interrogators that are not equipped for the enhanced protocol*

- a) The transponder shall be capable of storing each of the sixteen II codes: (1) an air-initiated or multi-site- directed Comm-B message and (2) the contents of GICB registers 2 through 4.

*Note.— GICB registers 2 through 4 are used for the Comm-B linking protocol defined in the Mode S subnetwork SARPs (Part 23, Subpart 3, Part I, Section 23.3.4).*

#### 23.4.5.5 ENHANCED MULTISITE AIR-INITIATED COMM-B PROTOCOL

- a) **Initiation.** An air-initiated Comm-B message input into the transponder shall be stored in the registers assigned to II = 0.
- b) **Announcement and extraction.** A waiting air- initiated Comm-B message shall be announced in the DR field of the replies to all interrogators for which a multisite directed Comm-B message is not waiting. The UM field of the announcement reply shall indicate that the message is not reserved for any II code, i.e., the IIS subfield shall be set to 0. When a command to read this message is received from a given interrogator, the reply containing the message shall contain an IIS subfield content indicating that the message is reserved for the II code contained in the interrogation from that interrogator. After readout and until closeout, the message shall continue to be assigned to that II code. Once a message is assigned to a specific II code, announcement of this message shall be no longer made in the replies to interrogators with other II codes. If the message is not closed out by the assigned interrogator for the period of the B-timer, the message shall revert back to multisite air-initiated status and the process shall repeat. Only one multisite air-initiated Comm-B message shall be in process at a time.
- c) **Closeout.** A closeout for a multisite air-initiated message shall only be accepted from the interrogator that is currently assigned to transfer the message.
- d) **Announcement of the next message waiting.** The DR field shall indicate a message waiting in the reply to an interrogation containing a Comm-B closeout if an unassigned air-initiated message is waiting and has not been assigned to a II code, or if a multisite-directed message is waiting for that II code 23.4.3.1).

#### **Enhanced multisite directed Comm-B protocol.**

- a) **Initiation.** When a multisite directed message is input into the transponder, it shall be placed in the Comm-B registers assigned to the II code specified for the message. If the registers for this II code are already occupied, (i.e. a multi-site directed message is already in process to this II code) the new message shall be queued until the current transaction with that II code is closed out.

- b) **Announcement.** Announcement of a Comm-B message waiting transfer shall be made using the DR field as specified in this Sub Part with the destination interrogator II code contained in the IIS subfield. The DR field and IIS subfield contents shall be set specifically for the interrogator that is to receive the reply. A waiting multi-site directed message shall only be announced in the replies to the intended interrogator. It shall not be announced in the replies to other interrogators.

*Note 1.— If a multisite-directed message is waiting for II = 2, the surveillance replies to that interrogator will contain DR = 1 and IIS = 2. If this is the only message in process, replies to all other interrogators will indicate that no message is waiting.*

*Note 2.— In addition to permitting parallel operation, this form of announcement enables a greater degree of announcement of downlink ELMs. The announcements for the downlink ELM and the Comm-B share the DR field. Only one announcement can take place at a time due to coding limitations. In case both a Comm-B and a downlink ELM are waiting, announcement preference is given to the Comm-B. In the example above, if an air-directed Comm-B was waiting for II = 2 and a multisite-directed downlink ELM was waiting for II = 6, both interrogators would see their respective announcements on the first scan since there would be no Comm-B announcement to II = 6 to block the announcement of the waiting downlink ELM.*

- c) **Closeout.** Closeout shall be accomplished as specified in Sub Part 23.4.
- d) **Announcement of the next message waiting.** The DR field shall indicate a message waiting in the reply to an interrogation containing a Comm-B closeout if another multi-site directed message is waiting for that II code, or if an air-initiated message is waiting and has not been assigned to a II code.
- e) **Enhanced non-selective Comm-B protocol.** The availability of a non-selective Comm-B message shall be announced to all interrogators. Otherwise, the protocol shall be as specified in Sub Part 23.4.

#### 23.4.5.6 COMM-B BROADCAST

*Note 1.— A Comm-B message may be broadcast to all active interrogators within range. Messages are alternately numbered 1 and 2 and are self-cancelling after 18 seconds. Interrogators have no means to cancel Comm-B broadcast messages.*

*Note 2.— Use of the Comm-B broadcast is restricted to transmission of information which does not require a subsequent ground-initiated uplink response.*

*Note 3.— The timer used for the Comm-B broadcast cycle is the same as that used for the Comm-B multisite protocol.*

*Note 4.— Data formats for Comm-B broadcast are specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- a) **Initiation.** A Comm-B broadcast cycle shall not be initiated when an air-initiated Comm-B is waiting to be transmitted. A Comm-B broadcast cycle shall begin with:
- a) the insertion of DR code 4 or 5, into replies with DF 4, 5, 20 or 21; and
  - b) the starting of the B-timer.
- b) **Extraction.** To extract the broadcast message, an interrogator shall transmit RR equals 16 and DI not equal to 7 or RR equals 16 and DI equals 7 with RRS equals 0 in a subsequent interrogation.

- c) **Expiration.** When the B-timer period expires, the transponder shall clear the DR code for this message, discard the present broadcast message and change the broadcast message number (from 1 to 2 or 2 to 1) in preparation for a subsequent Comm-B broadcast.
- d) **Interruption. In order to prevent a Comm-B broadcast cycle** from delaying the delivery of an air-initiated Comm-B message, provision shall be made for an air-initiated Comm-B to interrupt a Comm-B broadcast cycle. If a broadcast cycle is interrupted, the B- timer shall be reset, the interrupted broadcast message shall be retained and the message number shall not be changed. Delivery of the interrupted broadcast message shall recommence when no air- initiated Comm-B transaction is in effect. The message shall then be broadcast for the full duration of the B-timer.
- e) **Enhanced broadcast Comm-B protocol.** A broadcast Comm-B message shall be announced to all interrogators using II codes. The message shall remain active for the period of the B-timer for each II code. The provision for interruption of a broadcast by non- broadcast Comm-B shall apply separately to each II code. When the B-timer period has been achieved for all II codes, the broadcast message shall be automatically cleared. A new broadcast message shall not be initiated until the current broadcast has been cleared.

*Note.— Due to the fact that broadcast message interruption occurs independently for each II code, it is possible that the broadcast message timeout will occur at different times for different II codes.*

**23.4.5.7 EXTENDED LENGTH COMMUNICATION TRANSACTIONS**

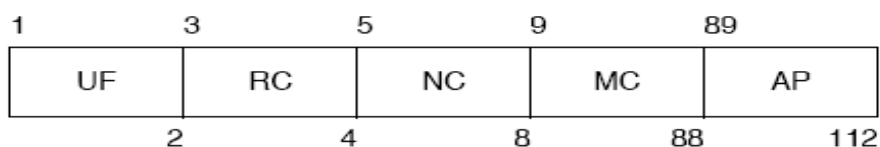
*Note 1.— Long messages, either on the uplink or the downlink, can be transferred by the extended length message (ELM) protocols through the use of Comm-C (UF = 24) and Comm-D (DF =24) formats respectively. The ELM uplink protocol provides for the transmission on the uplink of up to sixteen 80-bit message segments before requiring a reply from the transponder. They also allow a corresponding procedure on the downlink.*

*Note 2.— In some areas of overlapping interrogator coverage there may be no means for coordinating interrogator activities via ground communications. However, the ELM communication protocols require more than one transaction for completion; coordination is thus necessary to ensure that segments from different messages are not interleaved and that transactions are not inadvertently closed out by the wrong interrogator. This can be accomplished through the use of the multisite communications protocols or through the use of the enhanced ELM protocols.*

*Note 3.— Downlink extended length messages are transmitted only after authorization by the interrogator. The segments to be transmitted are contained in Comm-D replies. As with air-initiated Comm-B messages, downlink ELMs are either announced to all interrogators or directed to a specific interrogator. In the former case an individual interrogator can use the multisite protocol to reserve for itself the ability to close out the downlink ELM transaction. A transponder can be instructed to identify the interrogator that has reserved the transponder for an ELM transaction. Only that interrogator can close out the ELM transaction and reservation.*

*Note 4.— The multisite protocol and the non-selective protocol cannot be used simultaneously in a region of overlapping interrogator coverage unless the interrogators coordinate their communications activities via ground communications.*

**23.4.5.8 COMM-C, UPLINK FORMAT 24**



The format of this interrogation shall consist of these fields:

<b>Field</b>	<b>Reference</b>
UP uplink format	23.4.3.1.2.(c)
RC reply control	23.4.3.1.2.(g)
NC number of C-	23.4.3.1.2.(g)
MC message, Comm-C	23.4.3.1.2.(g)
AP address/parity	23.4.3.1.2.(c)

- b) **RC: Reply control.** This 2-bit (3-4) uplink field shall designate segment significance and reply decision.

**Coding**

RC = 0 signifies uplink ELM initial segment in MC

- = 1 signifies uplink ELM intermediate segment in MC
- = 2 signifies uplink ELM final segment in MC
- = 3 signifies a request for downlink ELM delivery

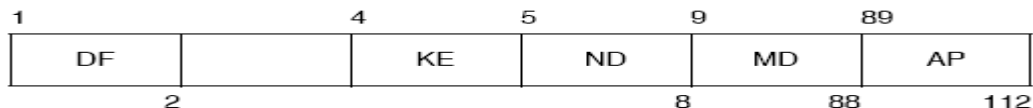
- c) **NC: Number of C-segment.** This 4-bit (5-8) uplink field shall designate the number of the message segment contained in MC. NC shall be coded as a binary number.
- d) **MC: Message, Comm-C.** This 80-bit (9-88) uplink field shall contain:
- 1) one of the segments of a sequence used to transmit an uplink ELM to the transponder containing the 4-bit (9-12) IIS subfield; or
  - 2) control codes for a downlink ELM, the 16-bit (9-24) SRS subfield and the 4-bit (25-28) IIS subfield.

**23.4.5.9 INTERROGATION- REPLY PROTOCOL FOR UF 24**

*Note.— Interrogation-reply coordination for the above format follows the protocol outlined in Table 3-5.*

**23.4.5.10 COMM-D, DOWNLINK FORMAT 24 .**

The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:



<b>Field</b>	<b>Reference</b>
DF downlink format	23.4.3.1.2.(c)
spare - 1 bit	
KE control, ELM	23.4.3.1.2.(g)
ND number of D-segment	23.4.
MD message, Comm-D	23.4.3.1.2.(g)
AP address/parity	23.4.3.1.2.(c)

**23.4.5.11 KE: Control, ELM.** This 1-bit (4) downlink field shall define the content of the ND and MD fields.

**Coding**

KE = 0 signifies downlink ELM transmission

2 signifies uplink ELM acknowledgement

**23.4.5.12 ND: Number of D-segment.** This 4-bit (5-8) downlink field shall designate the number of the message segment contained in MD. ND shall be coded as a binary number.

**23.4.5.13 MD: Message, Comm-D.** This 80-bit (9-88) downlink field shall contain:

- a) one of the segments of a sequence used to transmit a downlink ELM to the interrogator; or
- b) control codes for an uplink ELM.

**23.4.5.14 MULTISITE UPLINK ELM PROTOCOL**

- a) **Multisite uplink ELM reservation.** An interrogator shall request a reservation for an uplink ELM by transmitting a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation containing:

DI = 1

IIS = assigned interrogator identifier

MES = 1 or 5 (uplink ELM reservation request)

*Note.— A multisite uplink ELM reservation request is normally accompanied by an uplink ELM reservation status request (RSS = 2). This causes the interrogator identifier of the reserved site to be inserted in the UM field of the reply.*

- b) Protocol procedure in response to this interrogation shall depend upon the state of the C-timer which indicates if an uplink ELM reservation is active. This timer shall run for TR seconds.
- c) If the C-timer is not running the transponder shall grant a reservation to the requesting interrogator by:
  - 1) storing the interrogation as the Comm-C II and, IIS of the
  - 2) starting the C-timer.
    - i. If the C-timer is running and the IIS of the interrogation equals the Comm-C II, the transponder shall restart the C-timer.
    - ii. If the C-timer is running and the IIS of the interrogation does not equal the Comm-C II, there shall be no change to the Comm-C II or the C-timer.

*Note 2.— In case c) the reservation request has been denied.*

- d) An interrogator shall not start ELM activity unless, during the same scan, having requested an uplink ELM status report, it has received its own interrogator identifier as the reserved interrogator for uplink ELM in the UM field.

*Note.— If ELM activity is not started during the same scan as the reservation, a new reservation request may be made during the next scan.*

- e) If uplink ELM delivery is not completed on the current scan, the interrogator shall ensure that it still has a reservation before delivering additional segments on a subsequent scan.
- f) **Multisite uplink ELM delivery.** The minimum length of an uplink ELM shall be 2 segments, the maximum length shall be 16 segments.
- g) **Initial segment transfer.** The interrogator shall begin the ELM uplink delivery for an n-segment message (NC values from 0 to n-1) by a Comm-C transmission containing RC equals 0. The message segment transmitted in the MC field shall be the last segment of the message and shall carry NC equals n-1.
- h) On receipt of an initializing segment (RC = 0) the transponder shall establish a “setup” defined as:
  - i. clearing the number and content of previous segment storage registers and the associated TAS field;
  - ii. b) assigning storage space for the number of segments announced in NC of this interrogation; and
  - iii. c) storing the MC field of the segment received.
  - iv. The transponder shall not reply to this interrogation.
  - v. Receipt of another initializing segment shall result in a new setup within the transponder.
- i) **Transmission acknowledgement.** The transponder shall use the TAS subfield to report the segments received so far in an uplink ELM sequence. The information contained in the TAS subfield shall be continually updated by the transponder as segments are received.

*Note.— Segments lost in uplink transmission are noted by their absence in the TAS report and are retransmitted by the interrogator which will then send further final segments to assess the extent of message completion.*

- j) **TAS,** transmission acknowledgement subfield in MD This 16- bit (17-32) downlink subfield in MD reports the segment numbers received so far in an uplink ELM sequence. Starting with bit 17, which denotes segment number 0, each of the following bits shall be set to ONE if the corresponding segment of the sequence has been received. TAS shall appear in MD if KE equals 1 in the same reply.
- k) **Intermediate segment transfer.** The interrogator shall transfer intermediate segments by transmitting Comm-C interrogations with RC equals 1. The transponder shall store the segments and update TAS only if the setup of 24.3. is in effect and if the received NC is smaller than the value stored at receipt of the initial segment. No reply shall be generated on receipt of an intermediate segment.

*Note.— Intermediate segments may be transmitted in any order.*

- l) **Final segment transfer.** The interrogator shall transfer a final segment by transmitting a Comm-C interrogation with RC equals 2. This interrogation may contain any message segment. The transponder shall store the content of the MC field and update TAS if the setup



of 23.4. is in effect and if the received NC is smaller than the value of the initial segment NC. The transponder shall reply under all circumstances as per this Sub Part.

*Note 1.— This final segment transfer interrogation can contain any message segment.*

*Note 2.— RC equals 2 is transmitted any time that the interrogator wants to receive the TAS subfield in the reply. Therefore, more than one “final” segment may be transferred during the delivery of an uplink ELM.*

- m) **Acknowledgement reply.** On receipt of a final segment, the transponder shall transmit a Comm-D reply (DF = 24), with KE equals 1 and with the TAS subfield in the MD field. This reply shall be transmitted at 128 microseconds plus or minus 0.25 microsecond following the sync phase reversal of the interrogation delivering the final segment.
- n) **Completed message.** The transponder shall deem the message complete if all segments announced by NC in the initializing segment have been received. If the message is complete, the message content shall be delivered to the outside via the ELM interface and cleared. No later-arriving segments shall be stored. The TAS content shall remain unchanged until either a new setup is called for or until closeout.
- o) **C-timer restart.** The C-timer shall be restarted each time that a received segment is stored and the Comm-C II is not 0.

*Note.— The requirement for the Comm-C II to be non-zero prevents the C-timer from being restarted during a non-selective uplink ELM transaction.*

- p) **Multisite uplink ELM closeout.** The interrogator shall close out a multisite uplink ELM by transmitting either a surveillance or a Comm-A interrogation containing:

either DI = 1  
ILS = assigned interrogator identifier MES  
= 2, 6 or 7 (uplink ELM closeout)

or DI = 0, 1 or 7  
IIS = assigned interrogator identifier PC =  
5 (uplink ELM closeout)

The transponder shall compare the IIS of the interrogation to the Comm-C II and if the interrogator identifiers do not match, the state of the ELM uplink process shall not be changed.

If the interrogator identifiers match, the transponder shall set the Comm-C II to 0, reset the C-timer, clear the stored TAS and discard any stored segments of an incomplete message.

- q) **Automatic multisite uplink ELM closeout.** If the C-timer period expires before a multisite closeout has been accomplished the closeout actions described in this Sub Part shall be initiated automatically by the transponder.

#### 23.4.5.15 NON-SELECTIVE UPLINK ELM

*Note.— In cases where the multisite protocols are not required (for example, no overlapping coverage or sensor coordination via ground-to ground communication), the non-selective uplink ELM protocol may be used.*

*Non-selective uplink ELM delivery shall take place as for multisite uplink ELMs described in 23.4. The interrogator shall close out an uplink ELM by transmitting PC equals 5 (uplink ELM*

closeout) in a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation. On receipt of this command, the transponder shall perform closeout, unless the C-timer is running. If the C-timer is running, indicating that a multisite reservation is in effect, the closeout shall be accomplished. An uncompleted message, present when the closeout is accepted, shall be cancelled.

#### 23.4.5.16 ENHANCED UPLINK ELM PROTOCOL

*Note.*— The enhanced uplink ELM protocol provides a higher data link capacity by permitting parallel delivery of uplink ELM messages by up to sixteen interrogators, one for each II code. Operation without the need for multisite uplink ELM reservations is possible in regions of overlapping coverage for interrogators equipped for the enhanced uplink ELM protocol. The protocol is fully conformant to the standard multisite protocol and thus is compatible with interrogators that are not equipped for the enhanced protocol.

#### 23.4.5.17 GENERAL

- a) The interrogator shall determine from the data link capability report whether the transponder supports the enhanced protocols. If the enhanced protocols are not supported by both the interrogator and the transponder, the multisite reservation protocols shall be used.

*Note.*— If the enhanced protocols are supported, uplink ELMs delivered using the multisite protocol may be delivered without a prior reservation.

- b) If the transponder and the interrogator are equipped for the enhanced protocol, the interrogator shall use the enhanced uplink protocol.
- c) The transponder shall be capable of storing a sixteen segment message for each of the sixteen II codes.
- d) **Reservation processing.** The transponder shall support reservation processing for each II code.

*Note 1.*— Reservation processing is required for interrogators that do not support the enhanced protocol.

*Note 2.*— Since the transponder can process simultaneous uplink ELMs for all sixteen II codes, a reservation will always be granted.

- e) **Enhanced uplink ELM delivery and closeout.** The transponder shall process received segments separately by II code. For each value of II code, uplink ELM delivery and closeout shall be performed except that the MD field used to transmit the technical acknowledgment shall also contain the 4-bit (33-36) IIS subfield.

*Note.*— The interrogator may use the II code contained in the technical acknowledgement in order to verify that it has received the correct technical acknowledgement.

#### 23.4.5.18 MULTISITE DOWNLINK ELM PROTOCOL

##### INITIALIZATION.

The transponder shall announce the presence of a downlink ELM of  $n$  segments by making the binary code corresponding to the decimal value  $15 + n$  available for insertion in the DR field of a surveillance or Comm-B reply, DF equals 4, 5, 20, 21. This announcement shall remain active until the ELM is closed out.

- a) **Multisite downlink ELM reservation.** An interrogator shall request a reservation for extraction of a downlink ELM by transmitting a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation containing:

DI = 1  
IIS = assigned interrogator identifier  
MES = 3 or 6 (downlink ELM reservation request)

*Note.— A multisite downlink ELM reservation request is normally accompanied by a downlink ELM reservation status request (RSS = 3). This causes the interrogator identifier of the reserved interrogator to be inserted in the UM field of the reply.*

- b) Protocol procedure in response to this interrogation shall depend upon the state of the D-timer which indicates if a downlink ELM reservation is active. This timer shall run for TR seconds.

*Note 1.— The value of TR is given in this Sub Part.*

- 1) if the D-timer is not running, the transponder shall grant a reservation to the requesting interrogator by:
- i. storing the IIS of the interrogation as the Comm-D II; and
  - ii. starting the D-timer.
- 2) A multisite downlink ELM reservation shall not be granted by the transponder unless a downlink ELM is waiting to be transmitted.
- i. if the D-timer is running and the IIS of the interrogation equals the Comm-D II, the transponder shall restart the D-timer; and
  - ii. c) if the D-timer is running and the IIS of the interrogation does not equal the Comm-D II, there shall be no change to the Comm-D II or D-timer.

*Note 2.— In case c) the reservation request has been denied.*

- c) An interrogator shall determine if it is the reserved site through coding in the UM field and, if so, it may proceed to request delivery of the downlink ELM. Otherwise, ELM activity shall not be started during this scan.

*Note.— If the interrogator is not the reserved site, a new reservation request may be made during the next scan.*

- d) If downlink ELM activity is not completed on the current scan, the interrogator shall ensure that it still has a reservation before requesting additional segments on a subsequent scan.
- e) **Multisite-directed downlink ELM transmissions.** To direct a downlink ELM message to a specific interrogator, the multisite downlink ELM protocol shall be used. When the D-timer is not running, the interrogator identifier of the desired destination shall be stored as the Comm-D II. Simultaneously, the D-timer shall be started and the DR code shall be set. For a multisite-directed downlink ELM, the D-timer shall not automatically time out but shall continue to run until:

- 1) the message is read and closed out by the reserved site; or

2) the message is cancelled by the data link avionics.

*Note.— The protocols will then result in the delivery of the message to the reserved site. The data link avionics may cancel the message if delivery to the reserved site cannot be accomplished.*

- f) **Delivery of downlink ELMs.** The interrogator shall extract a downlink ELM by transmitting a Comm-C interrogation with RC equals 3. This interrogation shall carry the SRS subfield which specifies the segments to be transmitted. On receipt of this request, the transponder shall transfer the requested segments by means of Comm-D replies with KE equals 0 and ND corresponding to the number of the segment in MD. The first segment shall be transmitted 128 microseconds plus or minus 0.25 microsecond following the sync phase reversal of the interrogation requesting delivery and subsequent segments shall be transmitted at a rate of one every 136 microseconds plus or minus 1 microsecond. If a request is received to transmit downlink ELM segments and no message is waiting, each reply segment shall contain all ZEROs in the MD field.

*Note 1.— The requested segments may be transmitted in any order.*

*Note 2.— Segments lost in downlink transmissions will be requested again by the interrogator on a subsequent interrogation carrying the SRS subfield. This process is repeated until all segments have been transferred.*

- g) **SRS, segment request subfield in MC.** This 16-bit (9-24) uplink subfield in MC shall request the transponder to transfer downlink ELM segments. Starting with bit 9, which denotes segment number 0, each of the following bits shall be set to ONE if the transmission of the corresponding segment is requested. SRS shall appear in MC if RC equals 3 in the same interrogation.
- h) **D-timer restart.** The D-timer shall be restarted each time that a request for Comm-D segments is received if the Comm-D II is non-zero.

*Note.— The requirement for the Comm-D II to be non-zero prevents the D-timer from being restarted during a non-selective downlink ELM transaction.*

- i) **Multisite downlink ELM closeout.** The interrogator shall close out a multisite downlink ELM by transmitting either a surveillance or a Comm-A interrogation containing:

either DI = 1  
IIS = assigned interrogator identifier  
MES = 4, 5 or 7 (downlink ELM closeout)

or DI = 0, 1 or 7  
IIS = assigned interrogator identifier PC =  
6 (downlink ELM closeout)

- 1) The transponder shall compare the IIS of the interrogation to the Comm-D II and if the interrogator identifiers do not match, the state of the downlink process shall not be changed.
- 2) If the interrogator identifiers match, and if a request for transmission has been complied with at least once, the transponder shall set the Comm-D II to 0, reset the D-timer, clear the DR code for this message and clear the message itself.

- 3) If another downlink ELM is waiting to be transmitted, the transponder shall set the DR code (if no Comm-B message is waiting to be delivered) so that the reply contains the announcement of the next message.

j) **AUTOMATIC EXPIRATION OF DOWNLINK ELM RESERVATION.**

If the D-timer period expires before a multisite closeout has been accomplished, the Comm-D II shall be set to 0, and the D-timer reset. The message and DR code shall not be cleared.

*Note.— This makes it possible for another site to read and clear this message.*

**23.4.5.19 NON-SELECTIVE DOWNLINK ELM**

*Note.— In cases where the multisite protocols are not required (i.e. no overlapping coverage or sensor coordination via ground-to-ground communication), the non-selective downlink ELM protocol may be used.*

Non-selective downlink ELM delivery shall take place as described.

- a) **Non-selective downlink ELM closeout.** The interrogator shall close out a non-selective downlink ELM by transmitting PC equals 6 (downlink ELM closeout) in a surveillance or Comm-A interrogation. On receipt of this command, and if a request for transmission has been complied with at least once, the transponder shall perform closeout unless the D-timer is running. If the D-timer is running, indicating that a multisite reservation is in effect, the closeout shall be accomplished.

**23.4.5.20 ENHANCED DOWNLINK ELM PROTOCOL**

*Note.— The enhanced downlink ELM protocol provides a higher data link capacity by permitting parallel delivery of downlink ELM messages by up to sixteen interrogators, one for each II code. Operation without the need for multisite downlink ELM reservations is possible in regions of overlapping coverage for interrogators equipped for the enhanced downlink ELM protocol. The protocol is fully conformant to the standard multisite protocol and thus is compatible with interrogators that are not equipped for the enhanced protocol.*

**23.4.5.21 GENERAL**

- a) The interrogator shall determine from the data link capability report whether the transponder supports the enhanced protocols. If the enhanced protocols are not supported by both the interrogator and the transponder, the multi-site reservation protocols shall be used for multi-site and multi-site-directed downlink ELMs.

*Note.— If the enhanced protocols are supported, downlink ELMs delivered using the multisite-directed protocol can be delivered without a prior reservation.*

- b) If the transponder and the interrogator are equipped for the enhanced protocol, the interrogator shall use the enhanced downlink protocol.

**ENHANCED MULTI-SITE DOWNLINK ELM PROTOCOL**

- a) The transponder shall be capable of storing a sixteen segment message for each of the sixteen II codes.

- b) Initialization. A multisite message input into the transponder shall be stored in the registers assigned to II = 0.
- c) **Announcement and extraction.** A waiting multi-site downlink ELM message shall be announced in the DR field of the replies to all interrogators for which a multisite directed downlink ELM message is not waiting. The UM field of the announcement reply shall indicate that the message is not reserved for any II code, i.e. the IIS subfield shall be set to 0. When a command to reserve this message is received from a given interrogator, the message shall be reserved for the II code contained in the interrogation from that interrogator. After readout and until closeout, the message shall continue to be assigned to that II code. Once a message is assigned to a specific II code, announcement of this message shall no longer be made in the replies to interrogators with other II codes. If the message is not closed out by the associated interrogator for the period of the D-timer, the message shall revert back to multi-site status and the process shall repeat. Only one multi-site downlink ELM message shall be in process at a time.
- d) **Closeout.** A closeout for a multi-site message shall only be accepted from the interrogator that was assigned most recently to transfer the message.
- e) **Announcement of the next message waiting.** The DR field shall indicate a message waiting in the reply to an interrogation containing a downlink ELM closeout if an unassigned multi-site downlink ELM is waiting, or if a multi-site directed message is waiting for that II code.

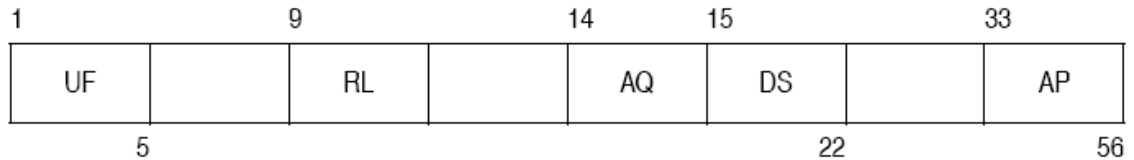
#### 23.4.5.22 ENHANCED MULTI SITE DIRECTED DOWNLINK ELM PROTOCOL

- a) **Initialization.** When a multisite directed message is input into the transponder, it shall be placed in the downlink ELM registers assigned to the II code specified for the message. If the registers for this II code are already in use (i.e. a multi-site directed downlink ELM message is already in process for this II code), the new message shall be queued until the current transaction with that II code is closed out.
- b) **Announcement.** Announcement of a downlink ELM message waiting transfer shall be made using the DR field with the destination interrogator II code contained in the IIS subfield. The DR field and IIS subfield contents shall be set specifically for the interrogator that is to receive the reply. A waiting multi-site directed message shall only be announced in the replies to the intended interrogator. It shall not be announced in replies to other interrogators.
- c) **Delivery.** An interrogator shall determine if it is the reserved site through coding in the UM field and, if so, it may proceed to request delivery of the downlink ELM. The delivery shall be performed. The transponder shall transmit the message contained in the buffer associated with the II code specified in the IIS subfield of the segment request interrogation.
- d) **Closeout.** Closeout shall be accomplished except that a message closeout shall only be accepted from the interrogator with a II code equal to the one that transferred the message.
- e) **Announcement of the next message waiting.** The DR field shall indicate a message waiting in the reply to an interrogation containing a downlink ELM closeout if another multisite directed message is waiting for that II code, or if a downlink message is waiting that has not been assigned a II code.
- f) **Enhanced non-selective downlink ELM protocol.** The availability of a non-selective downlink ELM message shall be announced to all interrogators. Otherwise, the protocol shall be as specified in 23.4.

**23.4.5.23 AIR-AIR SERVICE AND SQUITTER TRANSACTIONS**

*Note.— Airborne collision avoidance system (ACAS) equipment uses the formats UF or DF equals 0 or 16 for air-air surveillance.*

**23.4.5.24 SHORT AIR-AIR SURVEILLANCE, UPLINK FORMAT 0**



The format of this interrogation shall consist of these fields:

<b>Field</b>	<b>Reference</b>
UF uplink format spares - 3 bits	23.4.3.1.2.(c)
RL reply length spare - 4 bits	23.4.3.1.2.(h)
AQ acquisition	23.4.3.1.2.(h)
DS data selector spare - 10 bits	23.4.3.1.2.(h)
AP address/parity	23.4.3.1.2.(c)

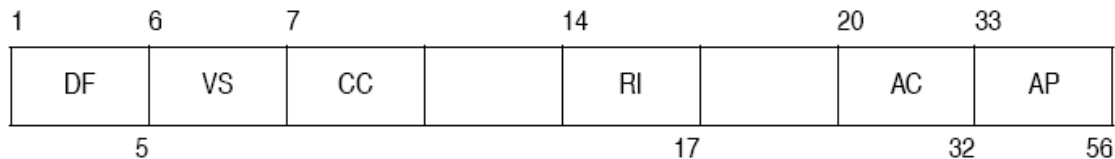
- a) **AQ: Acquisition.** This 1-bit (14) uplink field shall contain a code which controls the content of the RI field.
- b) **RL: Reply length.** This 1-bit (9) uplink field shall command the format to be used for the reply.

Coding  
 0 signifies a reply with DF= 0  
 1 signifies a reply with DF = 16 ~~no reply~~

*Note.— A transponder that does not support DF = 16 (i.e. transponder which does not support the ACAS cross-link capability and is not associated with airborne collision avoidance equipment) would not reply to a UF=0 interrogation with RL=1.*

- c) **DS: Data selector.** This 8-bit (15-22) uplink field shall contain the BDS code of the GICB register whose contents shall be returned to the corresponding reply with DF = 16.

**23.4.5.25 SHORT AIR-AIR SURVEILLANCE, DOWNLINK FORMAT 0**



- a) This reply shall be sent in response to an interrogation with UF equals 0 and RL equals 0. The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:

<b>Field</b>
DF downlink format

VS vertical status  
CC cross-link capability  
spare – 1 bit  
RI reply information  
spare - 2 bits  
AC altitude code  
AP address/parity

- b) **VS: Vertical status:** This 1-bit (6) downlink field shall indicate the status of the aircraft).

Coding

0 signifies that the aircraft is airborne  
1 signifies that the aircraft is on the ground

- c) **RI: Reply information, air-air.** This 4-bit (14-17) downlink field shall report the aircraft's maximum cruising true airspeed capability and type of reply to interrogating aircraft. The coding shall be as follows:

0 signifies a reply to an air-air interrogation UF = 0 with AQ = 0, no operating ACAS  
1-7 reserved for ACAS  
8-15 signifies a reply to an air-air interrogation UF = 0 with AQ = 1 and that the maximum airspeed is as follows:  
8 no maximum airspeed data available  
9 maximum airspeed is .LE. 140 km/h (75 kt)  
10 maximum airspeed is GT.140 and .LE. 280 km/h (75 and 150kt)  
11 maximum airspeed is GT.280 and .LE. 560 km/h (150 and 300kt)  
12 maximum airspeed is GT.560 and .LE.1110 km/h (300 and 600kt)  
13 maximum airspeed is GT1110 and .LE. 2 220 km/h (600 and 1200 kt)  
14 maximum airspeed is more than 2 220 km/h (1 200 kt)  
15 not assigned.

*Note.— “.LE.” means “less than or equal to” and “.GT.” means “greater than”.*

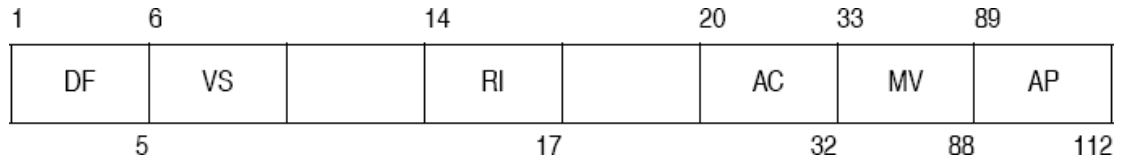
- d) **CC: Cross-link capability.** This 1-bit (7) downlink field shall indicate the ability of the transponder to support the cross-link capability, i.e. decode the contents of the DS field in an interrogation with UF equals 0 and respond with the contents of the specified GICB register in the corresponding reply with DF equals 16.

Coding

0 signifies that the transponder cannot support the cross-link capability  
1 signifies that the transponder supports the crosslink capability.

#### 23.4.5.26 LONG AIR-AIR SURVEILLANCE, DOWNLINK FORMAT 16





- a) This reply shall be sent in response to an interrogation with UF equals 0 and RL equals 1. The format of this reply shall consist of these fields:

Field  
 DF down link format  
 VS vertical status  
 spare - 7 bits  
 RI reply information  
 spare - 2 bits  
 AC altitude code  
 MV message, ACAS  
 AP address/parity

- b) MV: Message, ACAS. This 56-bit (33-88) downlink field shall contain GICB information as requested in the DS field of the UF 0 interrogation that elicited the reply.

*Note.— The MV field is also used by ACAS for air-air coordination.*

**23.4.5.27 AIR-AIR TRANSACTION PROTOCOL**

- e) *Note.— Interrogation-reply coordination for the air-air formats follows the protocol outlined in Table 3-5.*
- 1) The most significant bit (bit 14) of the RI field of an air-air reply shall replicate the value of the AQ field (bit 14) received in an interrogation with UF equals 0.
  - 2) If AQ equals 0 in the interrogation, the RI field of the reply shall contain the value 0.
  - 3) If AQ equals 1 in the interrogation, the RI field of the reply shall contain the maximum cruising true airspeed capability of the aircraft as defined in 23.4.
  - 4) In response to a UF = 0 with RL = 1 and DS = 0, the transponder shall reply with a DF = 16 reply in which the MV field shall contain the contents of the GICB register designated by the DS value. If the requested register is not serviced by the aircraft installation, the transponder shall reply and the MV field of the reply shall contain all ZEROs.

**23.4.5.28 ACQUISITION SQUITTER**

*Note.— SSR Mode S transponders transmit acquisition squitters (unsolicited downlink transmissions) to permit passive acquisition by interrogators with broad antenna beams, where active acquisition may be hindered by all-call synchronous garble. Examples of such interrogators are an airborne collision avoidance system and an airport surface surveillance system.*

- a) **Acquisition squitter format.** The format used for acquisition squitter transmissions shall be the all-call reply, (DF = 11) with II = 0.

- b) **Acquisition squitter rate.** Acquisition squitter transmissions shall be emitted at random intervals that are uniformly distributed over the range from 0.8 to 1.2 seconds using a time quantization of no greater than 15 milliseconds relative to the previous acquisition squitter, with the following exceptions:
- 1) the scheduled acquisition squitter shall be delayed if the transponder is in a transaction cycle;
  - 2) the acquisition squitter shall be delayed if an extended squitter is in process;
  - 3) the scheduled acquisition squitter shall be delayed if a mutual suppression interface is active or
  - 4) acquisition squitters shall only be transmitted on the surface if the transponder is not reporting the surface position type of Mode S extended squitter.
- c) An acquisition squitter shall not be interrupted by link transactions or mutual suppression activity after the squitter transmission has begun.

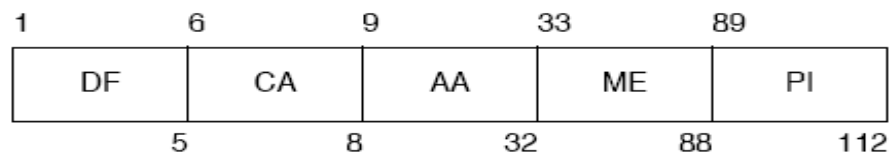
*Note 1.— A mutual suppression system may be used to connect onboard equipment operating in the same frequency band in order to prevent mutual interference. Acquisition squitter action resumes as soon as practical after a mutual suppression interval.*

*Note 2.— The surface report type may be selected automatically by the aircraft or by commands from a squitter ground station.*

- d) **Acquisition squitter antenna selection.** Transponders operating with antenna diversity shall transmit acquisition squitters as follows:
- 1) when airborne, the transponder shall transmit acquisition squitters alternately from the two antennas; and
  - 2) when on the surface, the transponder shall transmit acquisition squitters under control of SAS. In the absence of any SAS commands, use of the top antenna only shall be the default.

*Note.— Acquisition squitters are not emitted on the surface if the transponder is reporting the surface type of extended squitter.*

**23.4.5.29 EXTENDED SQUITTER DOWNLINK FORMAT 17**



*Note.— SSR Mode S transponders transmit extended squitters to support the broadcast of aircraft-derived position for surveillance purposes. The broadcast of this type of information is a form of automatic dependent surveillance (ADS) known as ADS-broadcast (ADS-B).*

- a) Extended squitter format. The format used for the extended squitter shall be a 112-bit downlink format (DF = 17)

containing the following fields:

Field

DF downlink format

CA capability  
AA address, announced  
ME message, extended squitter  
PI parity/interrogator identifier

The PI field shall be encoded with II equal to 0.

- b) **ME: Message, extended squitter.** This 56-bit (33-88) downlink field in DF = 17 shall be used to transmit broadcast messages. The Extended squitter shall be supported by registers 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 0A {HEX} and 61-6F {HEX} and shall conform to either version 0, version 1 or version 2 message formats as described below:
- 1) Version 0 ES message formats and related requirements report surveillance quality by navigation uncertainty category (NUC), which can be an indication of either the accuracy or integrity of the navigation data used by ADS-B. However, there is no indication as to which of these, integrity or accuracy, the NUC value is providing an indication of.
  - 2) Version 1 ES message formats and related requirements report surveillance accuracy and integrity separately as navigation accuracy category (NAC), navigation integrity category (NIC) and surveillance integrity level (SIL). Version 1 ES formats also include provisions for enhanced reporting of status information; and
  - 3) Version 2 ES message formats and related requirements contain the provisions of version 1 but further enhance integrity and parameter reporting. Version 2 ES formats separately report position source integrity from the integrity of the ADS-B transmitting equipment. Version 2 ES formats also separate vertical accuracy reporting from horizontal position accuracy, remove vertical integrity from position integrity, and provide for the reporting of the SSR Mode A code, GNSS antenna offset and additional horizontal position integrity values. Version 2 ES formats also modify the target state report to include selected altitude, selected heading, and barometric pressure setting.

*Note 1.— The formats and update rates of each register are specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871). The formats and update rates for individual squitters are defined by the version number of the extended squitter.*

*Note 2.— The formats for the three different versions are interoperable. An extended squitter receiver can recognize and decode signals of its own version, as well as lower versions' message formats. The receiver, however, can decode higher version signals according to its own capability.*

*Note 3.— Guidance material on transponder register formats and data sources is included in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

#### 23.4.5.30 EXTENDED SQUITTER TYPES.

- a) **Airborne position squitter.** The airborne position extended squitter type shall use format DF = 17 with the contents of GICB register 05 {HEX} inserted in the ME field.

*Note.— A GICB request containing RR equals 16 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 5 will*

*cause the resulting reply to contain the airborne position message in its MB field.*

- b) **SSS, surveillance status subfield in ME.** The transponder shall report the surveillance status of the transponder in this 2-bit (38, 39) subfield of ME when ME contains an airborne position squitter report.

Coding

0	signifies no status information
1	signifies transponder reporting permanent alert condition
2	signifies transponder reporting a temporary alert condition
3	signifies transponder reporting SPI condition

Codes 1 and 2 shall take precedence over code 3.

- c) **ACS, altitude code subfield in ME.** Under control of ATS, the transponder shall report either navigation-derived altitude, or the barometric altitude code in this 12-bit (41-52) subfield of ME when ME contains an airborne position message. When barometric altitude is reported, the contents of the ACS shall be as specified for the 13-bit AC field (23.4.3.1.2.6.5.4) except that the M-bit (bit 26) shall be omitted.
- d) **Control of ACS reporting.** Transponder reporting of altitude data in ACS shall depend on the altitude type subfield (ATS). Transponder insertion of barometric altitude data in the ACS subfield shall take place when the ATS subfield has the value of ZERO. Transponder insertion of barometric altitude data in ACS shall be inhibited when ATS has the value 1.
- e) **Surface position squitter.** The surface position extended squitter type shall use format DF = 17 with the contents of GICB register 06 {HEX} inserted in the ME field.

*Note.— A GICB request containing RR equals 16 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 6 will cause the resulting reply to contain the surface position message in its MB field.*

- f) **Aircraft identification squitter.** The aircraft identification extended squitter type shall use format DF = 17 with the contents of GICB register 08 {HEX} inserted in the ME field.

*Note.— A GICB request containing RR equals 16 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 8 will cause the resulting reply to contain the aircraft identification message in its MB field.*

- g) **Airborne velocity squitter.** The airborne velocity extended squitter type shall use format DF = 17 with the contents of GICB register 09 {HEX} inserted in the ME field.

*Note.— A GICB request containing RR equals 16 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 9 will cause the resulting reply to contain the airborne velocity message in its MB field.*

### **23.4.5.31 PERIODIC STATUS AND EVENT-DRIVEN SQUITTER.**

- a) **Periodic status squitter.** The periodic status extended squitter types shall use format DF = 17 to convey aircraft status and other surveillance data. The aircraft operational status extended squitter type shall use the contents of GICB register 65 {HEX} inserted in the ME field. The target state and status extended squitter type shall use the contents of GICB register 62 {HEX} inserted in the ME field.

*Note 1.— A GICB request containing RR equals 22 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 5 will cause the resulting reply to contain the aircraft operational status message in its MB field.*

*Note 2.— A GICB request containing RR equals 22 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 2 will cause the resulting reply to contain the target state and status information in its MB field.*

- b) The event-driven extended squitter type shall use format DF = 17 with the contents of GICB register OA {HEX} inserted in the ME field.

*Note.— A GICB request containing RR equals 16 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 10 will cause the resulting reply to contain the event-driven message in its MB field.*

#### 23.4.5.32 EXTENDED SQUITTER RATE.

- a) **Initialization.** At power up initialization, the transponder shall commence operation in a mode in which it broadcasts only acquisition squitters. The transponder shall initiate the broadcast of extended squitters for airborne position, surface position, airborne velocity and aircraft identification when data are inserted into transponder registers 05, 06, 09 and 08 {HEX}, respectively. This determination shall be made individually for each squitter type. When extended squitters are broadcast, transmission rates shall be as indicated in the following paragraphs. Acquisition squitters shall be reported in addition to extended squitters unless the acquisition squitter is inhibited. Acquisition squitters shall always be reported if position or velocity extended squitters are not reported.

*Note 1.— This suppresses the transmission of extended squitters from aircraft that are unable to report position, velocity or identity. If input to the register for the position squitter type stops for 60 seconds, broadcast will be discontinued until data insertion is resumed. Broadcast of airborne position squitters is not discontinued if barometric altitude data is available. Terminating broadcast of other squitter types is described in Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

*Note 2.— After timeout, the position squitter type may contain an ME field of all zeroes.*

- b) **Airborne position squitter rate.** Airborne position squitter transmissions shall be emitted when the aircraft is airborne at random intervals that are uniformly distributed over the range from 0.4 to 0.6 seconds using a time quantization of no greater than 15 milliseconds relative to the previous airborne position squitter, with the exceptions as specified in this Sub Part.
- c) **Surface position squitter rate.** Surface position squitter transmissions shall be emitted when the aircraft is on the surface using one of two rates depending upon whether the high or low squitter rate has been selected. When the high squitter rate has been selected, surface position squitters shall be emitted at random intervals that are uniformly distributed over the range from 0.4 to 0.6 seconds using a time quantization of no greater than 15 milliseconds relative to the previous surface position squitter (termed the high rate). When the low squitter rate has been selected, surface position squitters shall be emitted at random intervals that are uniformly distributed over the range of 4.8 to 5.2 seconds using a time quantization of no greater than 15 milliseconds relative to the previous surface position squitter (termed the low rate). Exceptions to these transmission rates are specified in this Sub Part.
- d) **Aircraft identification squitter rate.** Aircraft identification squitter transmissions shall be emitted at random intervals that are uniformly distributed over the range of 4.8 to 5.2 seconds using a time quantization of no greater than 15 milliseconds relative to the previous identification squitter when the aircraft is reporting the airborne position squitter type, or when the aircraft is reporting the surface position squitter type and the high surface squitter rate has been selected. When the surface position squitter type is being reported at the low surface rate, the aircraft identification squitter shall be emitted at random intervals that are

uniformly distributed over the range of 9.8 to 10.2 seconds using a time quantization of no greater than 15 milliseconds relative to the previous identification squitter. Exceptions to these transmission rates are specified in this Sub Part.

- e) **Airborne velocity squitter rate.** Airborne velocity squitter transmissions shall be emitted when the aircraft is airborne at random intervals that are uniformly distributed over the range from 0.4 to 0.6 seconds using a time quantization of no greater than 15 milliseconds relative to the previous airborne velocity squitter, with the exceptions as specified in this Sub Part.

#### 23.4.5.33 PERIODIC STATUS AND EVENT-DRIVEN SQUITTER RATE.

- a) **Periodic status squitter rates.** The periodic status squitter types supported by a Mode S extended squitter transmitting system class, shall be periodically emitted at defined intervals depending on the on-the-ground status and whether their content has changed

*Note.— The aircraft operational status extended squitter type and the target state and status extended squitter type rates are specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- b) **Event-driven squitter rate.** The event-driven squitter shall be transmitted once, each time that GICB register OA {HEX} is loaded, while observing the delay conditions. The maximum transmission rate for the event-driven squitter shall be limited by the transponder to twice per second. If a message is inserted in the event-driven register and cannot be transmitted due to rate limiting, it shall be held and transmitted when the rate limiting condition has cleared. If a new message is received before transmission is permitted, it shall overwrite the earlier message.
- c) **Delayed transmission.** Extended squitter transmission shall be delayed in the following circumstances:
- 1) if the transponder is in a transaction cycle;
  - 2) if an acquisition or another type of extended squitter is in process; or
  - 3) if a mutual suppression interface is active.
  - 4) The delayed squitter shall be transmitted as soon as the transponder becomes available.
- d) **Extended squitter antenna selection.** Transponders operating with antenna diversity shall transmit extended squitters as follows:
- 1) when airborne, the transponder shall transmit each type of extended squitter alternately from the two antennas; and
  - 2) when on the surface, the transponder shall transmit extended squitters under control of SAS.
  - 3) In the absence of any SAS commands, use of the top antenna only shall be the default condition.
- e) **Register time-out and termination.** The transponder shall clear and terminate broadcast of information in extended squitter registers as required to prevent the reporting of outdated information.

*Note.— Timeout and termination of extended squitter broadcast is specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- f) **Airborne/surface state determination.** Aircraft with an automatic means of determining on-the-ground conditions shall use this input to select whether to report the airborne or

surface message types. Aircraft without such means shall report the airborne type messages, except as specified in Table 3-7. Use of this table shall only be applicable to aircraft that are equipped to provide data for radio altitude AND, as a minimum, airspeed OR ground speed. Otherwise, aircraft in the specified categories that are only equipped to provide data for airspeed and ground speed shall broadcast the surface format if:

airspeed < 50 knots AND ground speed < 50 knots.

Aircraft with or without such automatic on-the-ground determination shall use position message types as commanded by control codes in TCS. After time-out of the TCS commands, control of airborne/surface determination shall revert to the means described above.

*Note 1. — Use of this technique may result in the surface position format being transmitted when the air-ground status in the CA fields indicates “airborne or on the ground”.*

*Note 2.— Extended squitter ground stations determine aircraft airborne or on-the-ground status by monitoring aircraft position, altitude and ground speed. Aircraft determined to be on the ground that are not reporting the surface position message types will be commanded to report the surface formats via TCS. The normal return to the airborne position message types is via a ground command to report airborne message types. To guard against loss of communications after take-off, commands to report the surface position message types automatically time-out.*

- g) **Squitter status reporting.** A GICB request containing RR equals 16 and DI equals 3 or 7 and RRS equals 7 shall cause the resulting reply to contain the squitter status report in its MB field.
- h) **TRS, transmission rate subfield in MB.** The transponder shall report the capability of the aircraft to automatically determine its surface squitter rate and its current squitter rate in this 2-bit (33, 34) subfield of MB.

Coding

- 0 signifies no capability to automatically determine surface squitter rate
- 1 signifies that the high surface squitter rate has been selected
- 2 signifies that the low surface squitter rate has been selected
- 3 unassigned

*Note 1.— High and low squitter rate is determined on board the aircraft.*

*Note 2.— The low rate is used when the aircraft is stationary and the high rate is used when the aircraft is moving. For details of how “moving” is determined, see the data format of register 0716 in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- i) **ATS, altitude type subfield in MB.** The transponder shall report the type of altitude being provided in the airborne position extended squitter in this 1-bit (35) subfield of MB when the reply contains the contents of transponder register 07 {HEX}.

Coding

- 0 signifies that barometric altitude shall be reported in the ACS of transponder register 05 {HEX}.
- 1 signifies that navigation-derived altitude shall be reported in the ACS of transponder register 05 {HEX}.

*Note.— Details of the contents of transponder registers 05 {HEX} and 07 {HEX} are shown in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- j) **Surface squitter rate control.** Surface squitter rate shall be determined as follows:
  - 1) once per second the contents of the TRS shall be read. If the value of TRS is 0 or 1, the transponder shall transmit surface squitters at the high rate. If the value of TRS is 2, the transponder shall transmit surface squitters at the low rate;
  - 2) the squitter rate determined via TRS shall be subject to being overridden by commands received via RCS. RCS code 1 shall cause the transponder to squitter at the high rate for 60 seconds. RCS code 2 shall cause the transponder to squitter at the low rate for 60 seconds. These commands shall be able to be refreshed for a new 60 second period before time-out of the prior period; and
  - 3) after time-out and in the absence of RCS codes 1 and 2, control shall return to TRS.
- k) **Latitude/longitude coding using compact position reporting (CPR).** Mode S extended squitter uses compact position reporting (CPR) to encode latitude and longitude efficiently into messages.

*Note.— The method used to encode/decode CPR is specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- l) **Data insertion.**  
When the transponder determines that it is time to emit an airborne position squitter, it shall insert the current value of the barometric altitude (unless inhibited by the ATS subfield, and surveillance status into the appropriate fields of register 05 {HEX}. The contents of this register shall then be inserted into the ME field of DF= 17 and transmitted.

*Note.— Insertion in this manner ensures that (1) the squitter contains the latest altitude and surveillance status, and (2) ground read-out of register 05 {HEX} will yield exactly the same information as the AC field of a Mode S surveillance reply.*

**23.4.5.34 EXTENDED SQUITTER/ SUPPLEMENTARY DOWNLINK FORMAT 18**

10010		CF:3			PI:24
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*Note 1.— This format supports the broadcast of extended squitter ADS-B messages by non-transponder devices, i.e. they are not incorporated into a Mode S transponder. A separate format is used to clearly identify this non-transponder case to prevent ACAS II or extended squitter ground stations from attempting to interrogate these devices.*

*Note 2.— This format is also used for ground broadcast of ADS-B related services such as traffic information broadcast (TIS-B).*

*Note 3.— The format of the DF = 18 transmission is defined by the value of the CF field.*

- a) **ES supplementary format.** The format used for ES supplement shall be a 112-bit downlink format (DF = 18) containing the following fields:

Field  
DF downlink format



CF control field  
PI parity/interrogator

The PI field shall be encoded with II equal to zero.

- b) Control field.** This 3-bit (6-8) downlink field in DF = 18 shall be used to define the format of the 112-bit transmission as follows:

Code 0 = ADS-B ES/NT devices that report the ICAO 24-bit address in the AA field (3.1.2.8.7)

Code 1 = Reserved for ADS-B for ES/NT devices that use other addressing techniques in the AA field  
Code 2 = Fine format TIS-B message

Code 3 = Coarse format TIS-B message

Code 4 = Reserved for TIS-B management messages

Code 5 = TIS-B messages that relay ADS-B messages that use other addressing techniques in the AA field

Code 6 = ADS-B rebroadcast using the same type codes and message formats as defined for DF = 17 ADS-B messages

Code 7 = Reserved

*Note 1.— Administrations may wish to make address assignments for ES/NT devices in addition to the 24-bit addresses allocated by ICAO (Part 23, Subpart 3, Part I, Section 23.8) in order to increase the available number of 24-bit addresses.*

*Note 2.— These non-ICAO 24-bit addresses are not intended for international use.*

**23.4.5.35 ADS-B FOR EXTENDED SQUITTER/NON-TRANSPONDER (ES/NT) DEVICES**

10010	CF=0	AA:24	ME:56	PI:24
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**23.4.5.36 ES/NT format.**

The format used for ES/NT shall be a 112-bit downlink format (DF = 18) containing the following fields:

*Field*

DF downlink format

CF control field = 0

AA address, announced

ME message, extended squitter

PI parity/interrogator identifier

The PI field shall be encoded with II equal to zero.

**23.4.5.37 ES/NT SQUITTER TYPES**

- a) **Airborne position squitter.** The airborne position type ES/NT shall use format DF = 18

with the format for register 05 {HEX} as defined in this Sub Part inserted in the ME field.

- b) **Surface position squitter.** The surface position type ES/NT shall use format DF = 18 with the format for register 06 {HEX} as defined in 23.4. inserted in the ME field.
- c) **Aircraft identification squitter.** The aircraft identification type ES/NT shall use format DF = 18 with the format for register 08 {HEX} as defined in 23.4. inserted in the ME field.
- d) **Airborne velocity squitter.** The airborne velocity type ES/NT shall use format DF = 18 with the format for register 09 {HEX} as defined in Sub Part inserted in the ME field.

#### 23.4.5.38 PERIODIC STATUS AND EVENT-DRIVEN SQUITTERS

- a) **Periodic status squitters.** The periodic status extended squitter types shall use format DF = 18 to convey aircraft status and other surveillance data. The aircraft operational status extended squitter type shall use the format of GICB register 65 {HEX} inserted in the ME field. The target state and status extended squitter type shall use the format of GICB register 62 {HEX} inserted in the ME field.
- b) **Event-driven squitter.** The event-driven type ES/NT shall use format DF = 18 with the format for register 0A {HEX} inserted in the ME field.

#### 23.4.5.39 ES/NT SQUITTER RATE.

- a) **Initialization.** At power up initialization, the non- transponder device shall commence operation in a mode in which it does not broadcast any squitters. The non-transponder device shall initiate the broadcast of ES/NT squitters for airborne position, surface position, airborne velocity and aircraft identification when data are available for inclusion in the ME field of these squitter types. This determination shall be made individually for each squitter type. When ES/NT squitters are broadcast, transmission rates shall be.

*Note 1.— This suppresses the transmission of extended squitters from aircraft that are unable to report position, velocity or identity. If input to the register for the position squitter type stops for 60 seconds, broadcast will cease until data insertion resumes, except for an ES/NT device operating on the surface (as specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871)). Broadcast of airborne position squitters is not discontinued if barometric altitude data is available. Terminating broadcast of other squitter types is described in Doc 9871.*

*Note 2.— After timeout this squitter type may contain an ME field of all zeros.*

- b) **Delayed transmission.** ES/NT squitter transmission shall be delayed if the non-transponder device is busy broadcasting one of the other squitter types.
- c) The delayed squitter shall be transmitted as soon as the non- transponder device becomes available.
- d) **ES/NT antenna selection.** Non-transponder devices operating with antenna diversity shall transmit ES/NT squitters as follows:
  - 1) when airborne, the non-transponder device shall transmit each type of ES/NT squitter alternately from the two antennas; and
  - 2) when on the surface, the non- transponder device shall transmit ES/NT squitters using the top antenna.

- e) **Register timeout and termination.** The non- transponder device shall clear message fields and terminate broadcast of extended squitter messages as required to prevent the reporting of outdated information.

*Note.— The timeout and termination of an extended squitter broadcast is specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- f) **Airborne/surface state determination.** Aircraft with an automatic means of determining on-the-ground condition shall use this input to select whether to report the airborne or surface message types except as specified in this Sub Part Aircraft without such means shall report the airborne type messages.
- g) **Surface squitter rate control.** Aircraft motion shall be determined once per second. The surface squitter rate shall be set according to the results of this determination.

*Note.— The algorithm to determine aircraft motion is specified in the definition of register 0716 in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

#### **23.4.6 THE USE OF ES BY OTHER SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS.**

##### **23.4.6.1 SURFACE SYSTEM CONTROL**

- a) When a surface surveillance system uses DF=18 as part of a surveillance function, it shall not use the formats that have been allocated for the purpose of surveillance of aircraft, vehicles and/or obstacles.

*Note 1.— The formats allocated for the purpose of surveillance of aircraft, vehicles and/or obstacles are specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

*Note 2.— The transmission of any message format used for conveying position, velocity, identification, state information, etc., may result in the initiation and maintenance of false tracks in other 1090ES receivers. The use of these messages for this purpose may be prohibited in the future.*

##### **23.4.6.2 SURFACE SYSTEM STATUS**

*The surface system status message type (Type Code=24) shall be the only message used to provide the status or synchronization of surface surveillance systems.*

*Note.— The surface system status message is specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871). This message will be used only by the surface surveillance system that generated it and will be ignored by other surface systems.*

##### **23.4.6.3 EXTENDED SQUITTER MILITARY APPLICATION, DOWNLINK FORMAT 19**

10011	AF:3	
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*Note.— This format supports the broadcast of extended squitter ADS-B messages in support of military applications. A separate format is used to distinguish these extended squitters from the standard ADS-B message set broadcast using DF = 17 or 18.*

- a) **Military format.** The format used for DF = 19 shall be a 112-bit downlink format containing the following fields:

Field  
DF downlink format  
AF control field

- b) **Application field.** This 3-bit (6-8) downlink field in DF = 19 shall be used to define the format of the 112-bit transmission.

Code 0 to 7 = Reserved

#### **23.4.6.4 EXTENDED SQUITTER MAXIMUM TRANSMISSION RATE**

- a) The maximum total number of extended squitters (DF = 17, 18 or emitted by any extended squitter installation shall not exceed the following:
- 1) 6.2 messages per second averaged over 60 seconds for nominal aircraft operations with no emergency and no ACAS RA activity, while not exceeding 11 messages being transmitted in any 1-second interval; or
  - 2) messages per second averaged over 60 seconds under an emergency and/or ACAS RA condition, while not exceeding 11 messages being transmitted in any 1-second interval.
- b) For installations capable of emitting DF = 19 squitters and in accordance with 3.1.2.8.8, transmission rates for lower power DF = 19 squitters shall be limited to a peak of forty DF = 19 squitters per second, and thirty DF = 19 squitters per second averaged over 10 seconds, provided that the maximum total squitter power-rate product for the sum of full power DF = 17 squitters, full power DF = 18 squitters, full power DF = 19 squitters, and lower power DF = 19 squitters, is maintained at or below a level equivalent to the power sum of 6.2 full power squitters per second averaged over 10 seconds.
- c) The States shall ensure that the use of low power and higher rate DF = 19 operation (as per 3.1.2.8.9.2) is compliant with the following requirements:
- 1) it is limited to formation or element lead aircraft engaged in formation flight, directing the messages toward wing and other lead aircraft through a directional antenna with a beamwidth of no more than 90 degrees; and
  - 2) the type of information contained in the DF = 19 message is limited to the same type of information in the DF = 17 message, that is, information for the sole purpose of safety-of-flight.
- d) All DF = 19 airborne interrogations shall be included in the interference control provisions

#### **23.4.7 AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION PROTOCOL**

- e) **Aircraft identification reporting.** A ground-initiated Comm-B request containing RR equals 18 and either DI does not equal 7 or DI equals 7 and RRS equals 0 shall cause the resulting reply to contain the aircraft identification in its MB field.
- f) **AIS, aircraft identification subfield in MB.** The transponder shall report the aircraft

identification in the 48-bit (41-88) AIS subfield of MB. The aircraft identification transmitted shall be that employed in the flight plan. When no flight plan is available, the registration marking of the aircraft shall be inserted in this subfield.

*Note.— When the registration marking of the aircraft is used, it is classified as “fixed direct data”. When another type of aircraft identification is used, it is classified as “variable direct data”.*

g) **Coding of the AIS subfield.** The AIS subfield shall be coded as follows:

33	41	47	53	59	65	71	77	83
BDS	Char. 1	Char. 2	Char. 3	Char. 4	Char. 5	Char. 6	Char. 7	Char. 8
	40	46	52	58	64	70	76	82
								88

*Note.— Aircraft identification coding provides up to eight characters.*

- 1) The BDS code for the aircraft identification message shall be BDS1 equals 2 (33-36) and BDS2 equals 0 (37-40).
  - 2) Each character shall be coded as a 6-bit subset of the International Alphabet Number 5 (IA-5) as illustrated in Table 3-8. The character code shall be transmitted with the high order unit (*b6*) first and the reported aircraft identification shall be transmitted with its left-most character first. Characters shall be coded consecutively without intervening SPACE code. Any unused character spaces at the end of the subfield shall contain a SPACE character code.
- h) **Aircraft identification capability report.** Transponders which respond to a ground-initiated request for aircraft identification shall report this capability in the data link capability report by setting bit 33 of the MB subfield to 1.
- i) **Change of aircraft identification.** If the aircraft identification reported in the AIS subfield is changed in flight, the transponder shall report the new identification to the ground by use of the Comm-B broadcast message protocol for BDS1 = 2 (33 - 36) and BDS2 = 0 (37 - 40).  
The transponder shall initiate, generate and announce the revised aircraft identification even if the interface providing flight identification is lost. The transponder shall ensure that the BDS code is set for the aircraft identification report in all cases, including a loss of the interface. In this latter case, bits 41 - 88 shall contain all ZEROs.

*Note.— The setting of the BDS code by the transponder ensures that a broadcast change of aircraft identification will contain the BDS code for all cases of flight identification failure (e.g. the loss of the interface providing flight identification).*

**23.4.8 ESSENTIAL SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SSR MODE S TRANSPONDER**

**23.4.8.1 TRANSPONDER SENSITIVITY AND DYNAMIC RANGE.**

Transponder sensitivity shall be defined in terms of a given interrogation signal input level and a given percentage of corresponding replies. Only correct replies containing the required bit pattern for the interrogation received shall be counted. Given an interrogation that requires a

reply according to Sub Part 24.4, the minimum triggering level, MTL, shall be defined as the minimum input power level for 90 per cent reply-to-interrogation ratio. The MTL shall be  $-74$  dBm  $\pm 3$  dB for Mode S interrogations (interrogations using P6), and for Mode A and C, and inter-mode interrogations. The reply-to-interrogation ratio of a Mode S transponder shall be:

- a) at least 99 per cent for signal input levels between 3 dB above MTL and  $-21$  dBm; and
- b) no more than 10 per cent at signal input levels below  $-81$  dBm.

*Note.*— *Transponder sensitivity and output power are described in this section in terms of signal level at the terminals of the antenna. This gives the designer freedom to arrange the installation, optimizing cable length and receiver-transmitter design, and does not exclude receiver and/or transmitter components from becoming an integral part of the antenna subassembly.*

#### 23.4.8.2 REPLY RATIO IN THE PRESENCE OF INTERFERENCE.

*Note.*— *The following paragraphs present measures of the performance of the Mode S transponder in the presence of interfering Mode A/C interrogation pulses and low-level in-band CW interference.*

- a) **Reply ratio in the presence of an interfering pulse.** Given a Mode S interrogation which requires a reply, the reply ratio of a transponder shall be at least 95 per cent in the presence of an interfering Mode A/C interrogation pulse if the level of the interfering pulse is 6 dB or more below the signal level for Mode S input signal levels between  $-68$  dBm and  $-21$  dBm and the interfering pulse overlaps the P6 pulse of the Mode S interrogation anywhere after the sync phase reversal.

Under the same conditions, the reply ratio shall be at least 50 per cent if the interference pulse level is 3 dB or more below the signal level.

- b) **Reply ratio in the presence of pulse pair interference.** Given an interrogation which requires a reply, the reply ratio of a transponder shall be at least 90 percent in the presence of an interfering P1 – P2 pulse pair if the level of the interfering pulse pair is 9 dB or more below signal level for input signal levels between  $-68$  dBm and  $-21$  dBm and the P1 pulse of the interfering pair occurs no earlier than the P1 pulse of the Mode S signal.
- c) **Reply ratio in the presence of low level asynchronous interference.** For all received signals between  $-65$  dBm and  $-21$  dBm and given a Mode S interrogation that requires a reply according to this Sub Part and if no lockout condition is in effect, the transponder shall reply correctly with at least 95 per cent reply ratio in the presence of asynchronous interference. Asynchronous interference shall be taken to be a single Mode A/C interrogation pulse occurring at all repetition rates up to 10 000 Hz at a level 12 dB or more below the level of the Mode S signal.

*Note.*— *Such pulses may combine with the P1 and P2 pulses of the Mode S interrogation to form a valid Mode A/C-only all-call interrogation. The Mode S transponder does not respond to Mode A/C-only all-call interrogations. A preceding pulse may also combine with the P2 of the Mode S interrogation to form a valid Mode A or Mode C interrogation. However, the P1 – P2 pair of the Mode S preamble takes precedence. The Mode S decoding process is independent of the Mode A/Mode C decoding process and the Mode S interrogation is accepted.*

- d) **Reply ratio in the presence of low-level in-band CW interference.** In the presence of non-coherent CW interference at a frequency of  $1\ 030 \pm 0.2$  MHz at signal levels of 20 dB or more below the desired Mode A/C or Mode S interrogation signal level, the transponder shall reply

correctly to at least 90 per cent of the interrogations.

#### 23.4.8.3 SPURIOUS RESPONSE.

- a) The response to signals not within the receiver pass band shall be at least 60 dB below normal sensitivity.
- b) For equipment certified after 1 January 2011, the spurious Mode A/C reply ratio generated by low level Mode S interrogations shall be no more than:
  - 1) an average of 1 per cent in the input interrogation signal range between -81 dBm and the Mode S MTL; and
  - 2) a maximum of 3 per cent at any given level in the input interrogation signal range between -81 dBm and the Mode S MTL.

*Note.— Failure to detect a low level Mode S interrogation can also result in the transponder decoding a three-pulse Mode A/C/S all-call interrogation. This would result in the transponder responding with a Mode S all-call (DF = 11) reply. The above requirement will also control these DF = 11 replies since it places a limit on the probability of failing to correctly detect the Mode S interrogation.*

- c) **Transponder peak pulse power.** The peak power of each pulse of a reply shall:

- 1) not be less than 18.5 dBW for aircraft not capable of operating at altitudes exceeding 4 570 m (15 000 ft);
- 2) not be less than 21.0 dBW for aircraft capable of operating above 4 570 m (15 000 ft);
- 3) not be less than 21.0 dBW for aircraft with maximum cruising speed exceeding 324 km/h (175 kt); and
- 4) not exceed 27.0 dBW.

- d) **Inactive state transponder output power.** When the transponder is in the inactive state the peak pulse power at 1 090 MHz plus or minus 3 MHz shall not exceed -50 dBm. The inactive state is defined to include the entire period between transmissions less 10-microsecond transition periods preceding the first pulse and following the last pulse of the transmission.

*Note.— Inactive state transponder power is constrained in this way to ensure that an aircraft, when located as near as 185 m (0.1 NM) to a Mode A/C or Mode S interrogator, does not cause interference to that installation. In certain applications of Mode S, airborne collision avoidance for example, where a 1 090 MHz transmitter and receiver are in the same aircraft, it may be necessary to further constrain the inactive state transponder power.*

#### 23.4.8.4 SPURIOUS EMISSION RADIATION

CW radiation shall not exceed 70 dB below 1 watt.

#### 23.4.9 SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

##### 23.4.9.1 MODE S SIDE-LOBE SUPPRESSION.

*Note.— Side-lobe suppression for Mode S formats occurs when a P5 pulse overlays the location of the sync phase reversal of P6, causing the transponder to fail to recognize the interrogation.*

- a) Given a Mode S interrogation that requires a reply, the transponder shall:

- 1) at all signal levels between MTL +3 dB and -21 dBm, have a reply ratio of less than 10 per cent if the received amplitude of  $P_5$  exceeds the received amplitude of  $P_6$  by 3 dB or more;
  - 2) at all signal levels between MTL +3 dB and -21 dBm, have a reply ratio of at least 99 per cent if the received amplitude of  $P_6$  exceeds the received amplitude of  $P_5$  by 12 dB or more.
- b) **Mode S dead time.** Dead time shall be defined as the time interval beginning at the end of a reply transmission and ending when the transponder has regained sensitivity to within 3 dB of MTL. Mode S transponders shall not have more than 125 microseconds' dead time.
- c) **Mode S receiver desensitization.** The transponder's receiver shall be desensitized on receipt of any pulse of more than 0.7 microseconds duration.
- d) **Recovery from desensitization.** Recovery from desensitization shall begin at the trailing edge of each pulse of a received signal and shall occur at the rate prescribed in Sub Part 23.4, provided that no reply or data transfer is made in response to the received signal.

#### 23.4.9.2 RECOVERY AFTER MODE S INTERROGATIONS THAT DO NOT ELICIT REPLIES.

- a) Recovery after a single Mode S interrogation.
- b) The transponder shall recover sensitivity to within 3 dB of MTL no later than 128 microseconds after receipt of the sync phase reversal following a Mode S interrogation that is not accepted or that is accepted but requires no reply.
- c) The transponder shall recover sensitivity to within 3 dB of MTL no later than 45 microseconds after receipt of the sync phase reversal following a Mode S interrogation that is not accepted or that is accepted but requires no reply.
- d) All Mode S transponders installed shall have the capability to recover sensitivity to within 3 dB of MTL no later than 45 microseconds after receipt of the sync phase reversal following a Mode S interrogation that is not accepted or that is accepted but requires no reply.
- e) Recovery after a Mode S Comm-C interrogation. A Mode S transponder with Comm-C capability shall recover sensitivity to within 3 dB of MTL no later than 45 microseconds after receipt of the sync phase reversal following acceptance of a Comm-C interrogation for which no reply is required.

#### 23.4.9.3 UNWANTED MODE S REPLIES.

- a) Mode S transponders shall not generate unwanted Mode S replies more often than once in 10 seconds. Installation in the aircraft shall be made in such a manner that this standard shall be achieved when all possible interfering equipments installed in the same aircraft are operating at maximum interference levels.
- b) **Unwanted Mode S replies in the presence of low- level in-band CW interference.** In the presence of non- coherent CW interference at a frequency of 1 030  $\pm$ 0.2 MHz and at signal levels of -60 dBm or less, and in the absence of valid interrogation signals, Mode S transponders shall not generate unwanted Mode S replies more often than once per 10 seconds.



#### 23.4.9.4 REPLY RATE LIMITING

*Note.*— Reply rate limiting is prescribed separately for Modes A and C and for Mode S.

- a) **Mode S reply rate limiting.** Reply rate limiting is not required for the Mode S formats of a transponder. If such limiting is incorporated for circuit protection, it shall permit the minimum reply rates required in Sub Part 23.4.
- b) **Modes A and C reply rate limiting.** Reply rate limiting for Modes A and C shall be effected. The prescribed sensitivity reduction shall not affect the Mode S performance of the transponder.

#### 23.4.9.5 MINIMUM REPLY RATE CAPABILITY, MODES A, C AND S.

- a) All reply rates shall be in addition to any squitter transmissions that the transponder is required to make.
- b) **Minimum reply rate capability, Modes A and C.** The minimum reply rate capability for Modes A and C shall be in accordance with Sub Part 23.4.
- c) **Minimum reply rate capability, Mode S.** A transponder capable of transmitting only short Mode S replies shall be able to generate replies at the following rates:

50 Mode S replies in any 1-second interval 18 Mode S replies in a 100-millisecond interval 8  
Mode S replies in a 25-millisecond interval 4 Mode S replies in a 1.6-millisecond interval

In addition to any downlink ELM transmissions, a level 2, 3 or 4 transponder shall be able to generate as long replies at least:

16 of 50 Mode S replies in any 1-second interval  
6 of 18 Mode S replies in a 100-millisecond interval 4 of 8 Mode S replies in a 25-millisecond  
interval  
2 of 4 Mode S replies in a 1.6-millisecond interval

In addition to downlink ELM transmissions, a level 5 transponder shall be able to generate as long replies at least:

24 of 50 Mode S replies in any 1-second interval  
9 of 18 Mode S replies in a 100-millisecond interval 6 of 8 Mode S replies in a 25-millisecond  
interval  
2 of 4 Mode S replies in a 1.6-millisecond interval.

In addition, a transponder within an ACAS installation shall be able to generate as ACAS coordination replies at least 3 of 50 Mode S replies in any 1-second interval.

#### 23.4.9.6 MINIMUM MODE S ELM PEAK REPLY RATE.

*Note 1.*— When a downlink ELM is initialized, the Mode S transponder announces the length (in segments) of the waiting message. The transponder must be able to transmit this number of segments, plus an additional margin to make up for missed replies, during the beam dwell of the ground interrogator.

- a) At least once every second a Mode S transponder equipped for ELM downlink operation shall be capable of transmitting in a 25- millisecond interval, at least 25 per cent more segments than have been announced in the initialization. The minimum length downlink ELM

capability for level 4 and 5 transponders shall be as specified in this Sub Part.

*Note 2.— A transponder capable of processing the maximum length downlink ELM (16 segments) is therefore required to be able to transmit 20 long replies under the above conditions. Level 4 transponders may be built which process less than the maximum message length. These transponders cannot initialize a message length that exceeds their transmitter capability. For example, a transponder that can transmit at most 10 long replies under the above conditions can never announce a message of more than 8 segments.*

#### **23.4.9.7 REPLY DELAY AND JITTER**

*Note.— After an interrogation has been accepted and if a reply is required, this reply transmission begins after a fixed delay needed to carry out the protocols. Different values for this delay are assigned for Modes A and C, for Mode S and for Modes A/C/S all-call replies.*

- a) **Reply delay and jitter for Modes A and C.** The reply delay and jitter for Modes A and C transactions shall be as prescribed in this Sub Part.
- b) **Reply delay and jitter for Mode S.** For all input signal levels between MTL and -21 dBm, the leading edge of the first preamble pulse of the reply shall occur 128 plus or minus 0.25 microsecond after the sync phase reversal of the received P6. The jitter of the reply delay shall not exceed 0.08 microsecond, peak (99.9 percentile).
- c) **Reply delay and jitter for Modes A/C/S all call.** For all input signal levels between MTL +3 dB and - 21 dBm the leading edge of the first preamble pulse of the reply shall occur 128 plus or minus 0.5 microseconds after the leading edge of the P4 pulse of the interrogation. Jitter shall not exceed 0.1 microsecond, peak (99.9 percentile).

*Note.— A peak jitter of 0.1 microsecond is consistent with the jitter prescribed in 23.4.*

- d) **Timers.** Duration and features of timers shall be as shown in Table 3-9. All timers shall be capable of being restarted. On receipt of any start command, they shall run for their specified times. This shall occur regardless of whether they are in the running or the non-running state at the time that the start command is received. A command to reset a timer shall cause the timer to stop running and to return to its initial state in preparation for a subsequent start command.
- e) **Inhibition of replies.** Replies to Mode A/C/S all-call and Mode S- only all-call interrogations shall always be inhibited when the aircraft declares the on-the-ground state. It shall not be possible to inhibit replies to discretely addressed Mode S interrogations regardless of whether the aircraft is airborne or on the ground.
- f) Aircraft shall provide means to determine the on-the ground state automatically and provide that information to the transponder.
- g) Mode A/C replies shall be inhibited when the aircraft is on the ground to prevent interference when in close proximity to an interrogator or other aircraft.

*Note.— Mode S discretely addressed interrogations do not give rise to such interference and may be required for data link communications with aircraft on the airport surface. Acquisition squitter transmissions may be used for passive surveillance of aircraft on the airport surface.*

**Table 3-9. Timer characteristics**

Timer		Reference	Symbol	Duration	Tolerance	Resettable
Name	Number			s	s	
Non-selective lock-out	1	3.1.2.6.9.2	$T_D$	18	±1	no
Temporary alert	1	3.1.2.6.10.1.1.2	$T_C$	18	±1	no
SPI	1	3.1.2.6.10.1.3	$T_I$	18	±1	no
Reservations B, C, D	3*	3.1.2.6.11.3.1	$T_R$	18	±1	yes
Multisite lockout	78	3.1.2.6.9.1	$T_L$	18	±1	no

\* As required

- h) **Transponder antenna system and diversity operation.** Mode S transponders equipped for diversity operation shall have two RF ports for operation with two antennas, one antenna on the top and the other on the bottom of the aircraft's fuselage. The received signal from one of the antennas shall be selected for acceptance and the reply shall be transmitted from the selected antenna only.
- i) **Radiation pattern.** The radiation pattern of Mode S antennas when installed on an aircraft shall be nominally equivalent to that of a quarter-wave monopole on a ground plane.
- j) **Antenna location.** The top and bottom antennas shall be mounted as near as possible to the centre line of the fuselage. Antennas shall be located so as to minimize obstruction to their fields in the horizontal plane.
- k) The horizontal distance between the top and bottom antennas shall not be greater than 7.6 m (25 ft).

*Note.— This recommendation is intended to support the operation of any diversity transponder (including cables) with any diversity antenna installation and still satisfy the requirement of 23.4.*

- l) **Antenna selection.** Mode S transponders equipped for diversity operation shall have the capability to evaluate a pulse sequence simultaneously received on both antenna channels to determine individually for each channel if the P1 pulse and the P2 pulse of a Mode S interrogation preamble meet the requirements for a Mode S interrogation and if the P1 pulse and the P3 pulse of a Mode A, Mode C or inter mode interrogation meet the requirements for Mode A and Mode C interrogations.

*Note.— Transponders equipped for diversity operation may optionally have the capability to evaluate additional characteristics of the received pulses of the interrogations in making a diversity channel selection. The transponder may as an option evaluate a complete Mode S interrogation simultaneously received on both channels to determine individually for each channel if the interrogation meets the requirements for Mode S interrogation acceptance.*

- m) If the two channels simultaneously receive at least a P1 – P2 pulse pair that meets the requirements for a Mode S interrogation, or a P1 – P3 pulse pair that meets the requirements for a Mode A or Mode C interrogation, or if the two channels simultaneously accept a complete interrogation, the antenna at which the signal strength is greater shall be selected for the reception of the remainder (if any) of the interrogation and for the transmission of the reply.
- n) If only one channel receives a pulse pair that meets the requirements for an interrogation,

or if only one channel accepts an interrogation, the antenna associated with that channel shall be selected regardless of received signal strength.

- o) **Selection threshold.** If antenna selection is based on signal level, it shall be carried out at all signal levels between MTL and -21 dBm.

*Note.— Either antenna may be selected if the difference in signal level is less than 3 dB.*

- p) **Received signal delay tolerance.** If an interrogation is received at one antenna 0.125 microsecond or less in advance of reception at the other antenna, the interrogations shall be considered to be simultaneous interrogations, and the above antenna selection criteria applied. If an accepted interrogation is received at either antenna 0.375 microsecond or more in advance of reception at the other antenna, the antenna selected for the reply shall be that which received the earlier interrogation. If the relative time of receipt is between 0.125 and 0.375 microsecond, the transponder shall select the antenna for reply either on the basis of the simultaneous interrogation criteria or on the basis of the earlier time of arrival.

- q) **Diversity transmission channel isolation.** The peak RF power transmitted from the selected antenna shall exceed the power transmitted from the non-selected antenna by at least 20 dB.

- r) **Reply delay of diversity transponders.** The total two-way transmission difference in mean reply delay between the two antenna channels (including the differential delay caused by transponder-to- antenna cables and the horizontal distance along the aircraft centre line between the two antennas) shall not exceed 0.13 microsecond for interrogations of equal amplitude. This requirement shall hold for interrogation signal strengths between MTL +3 dB and -21 dBm. The jitter requirements on each individual channel shall remain as specified for non-diversity transponders.

#### 23.4.9.8 DATA PROCESSING AND INTERFACES

- a) **Direct data.** Direct data shall be those which are required for the surveillance protocol of the Mode S system.
- b) **Fixed direct data.** Fixed direct data are data from the aircraft which do not change in flight and shall be:
- 1) The aircraft address;
  - 2) the maximum airspeed; and
  - 3) c) the registration marking if used for flight identification.

#### 23.4.9.9 INTERFACES FOR FIXED DIRECT DATA.

Interfaces from the transponder to the aircraft shall be designed such that the values of the fixed direct data become a function of the aircraft installation rather than of the transponder configuration.

*Note.— The intent of this recommendation is to encourage an interface technique which permits transponder exchange without manipulation of the transponder itself for setting the fixed direct data.*

- a) **Variable direct data.** Variable direct data are data from the aircraft which may change in flight and shall be:

- 1) the Mode C altitude code;
- 2) the Mode A identity code;
- 3) the on-the-ground condition;
- 4) the aircraft identification if different from the registration marking; and
- 5) the SPI condition.

#### **23.4.9.10 INTERFACES FOR VARIABLE DIRECT DATA.**

- a) A means shall be provided, while on the ground or during flight, for the SPI condition to be inserted by the pilot, without the entry or modification of other flight data.
- b) A means shall be provided, while on the ground or during flight, for the Mode A identity code to be displayed to the pilot and modified without the entry or modification of other flight data.
- c) For transponders of Level 2 and above, a means shall be provided, while on the ground or during flight, for the aircraft identification to be displayed to the pilot, and, when containing variable data, to be modified without the entry or modification of other flight data.

*Note.— Implementation of the pilot action for entry of data will be as simple and efficient as possible in order to minimize the time required and reduce the possibility of errors in the data entry.*

- d) Interfaces shall be included to accept the pressure- altitude and on-the-ground coding.

*Note.— A specific interface design for the variable direct data is not prescribed.*

#### **23.4.9.11 INDIRECT DATA**

*Note.— Indirect data are those which pass through the transponder in either direction but which do not affect the surveillance function.*

If origins and/or destinations of indirect data are not within the transponder's enclosure, interfaces shall be used for the necessary connections.

#### **23.4.9.12 THE FUNCTION OF INTERFACES**

*Note.— Indirect data interfaces for standard transactions serve interrogations which require a reply and the broadcast function. Indirect data interfaces for ELM serve that system and require buffering and protocol circuitry within the transponder. Interface ports can be separate for each direction and for each service or can be combined in any manner.*

- a) **Uplink standard length transaction interface.** The uplink standard length transaction interface shall transfer all bits of accepted interrogations, (with the possible exception of the AP field), except for UF = 0, 11 or 16.

*Note.— AP can also be transferred to aid in integrity implementation.*

- b) **Downlink standard length transaction interface.** A transponder which transmits information originating in a peripheral device shall be able to receive bits or bit patterns for insertion at appropriate locations within the transmission. These locations shall not include those into which bit patterns generated internally by the transponder are inserted, nor the AP field of the reply. A transponder which transmits information using the Comm-B format shall have immediate access to requested data in the sense that the transponder shall respond to an interrogation with data requested by that interrogation.

*Note.— This requirement may be met in two ways:*

- 1) *the transponder may have provisions for internal data and protocol buffering;*
- 2) *the transponder may employ a “real time” interface which operates such that uplink data leave the transponder before the corresponding reply is generated and downlink data enter the transponder in time to be incorporated in the reply.*

#### 23.4.9.13 EXTENDED LENGTH MESSAGE INTERFACE

*Note.— The ELM interface extracts from, and enters into, the transponder the data exchanged between air and ground by means of the ELM protocol.*

#### 23.4.9.14 INDIRECT DATA TRANSACTION RATES

- a) **Standard length transactions.** A transponder equipped for information transfer to and from external devices shall be capable of processing the data of at least as many replies as prescribed for minimum reply rates in this Sub Part and uplink data from interrogations being delivered at a rate of at least:

50 long interrogations in any 1-second interval  
18 long interrogations in a 100-millisecond interval  
8 long interrogations in a 25-millisecond interval  
4 long interrogations in a 1.6-millisecond interval.

*Note 1.— A transponder capable of reply rates higher than the minimum need not accept long interrogations after reaching the uplink data processing limits above.*

*Note 2.— The Mode S reply is the sole means of acknowledging receipt of the data content of a Mode S interrogation. Thus, if the transponder is capable of replying to an interrogation, the Mode S installation must be capable of accepting the data contained in that interrogation regardless of the timing between it and other accepted interrogations. Overlapping Mode S beams from several interrogators could lead to the requirement for considerable data processing and buffering. The minimum described here reduces data processing to a realistic level and the non-acceptance provision provides for notification to the interrogator that data will temporarily not be accepted.*

- b) **Extended length transactions.** Level 3 and level 4 transponders shall be able to transfer data from at least four complete sixteen segment uplink ELMs in any four second interval. A level 5 transponder shall be able to transfer the data from at least four complete sixteen segment uplink ELMs in any one second interval and shall be capable of accepting at least two complete sixteen segment uplink ELMs with the same II code in a 250 millisecond interval. A level 4 transponder shall be able to transmit at least one four- segment downlink ELM in any one second interval. A level 5 transponder shall be able to transmit at least one sixteen segment downlink ELM in any one second interval.

- c) Level 3 and level 4 transponders shall be able to accept at least two complete sixteen segment uplink ELMs in a 250 millisecond interval.

#### 23.4.9.15 DATA FORMATS FOR STANDARD LENGTH TRANSACTIONS AND REQUIRED DOWNLINK AIRCRAFT PARAMETERS (DAPS)

- a) All level 2 and above transponders shall support the following registers:
- the capability reports;
  - the aircraft identification protocol register 20 {HEX} (3.1.2.9); and
  - for ACAS-equipped aircraft, the active resolution advisory register 30 {HEX}.
- b) Where required, DAPs shall be supported by the registers listed in Table 3-10. The formats and minimum update rates of transponder registers shall be implemented consistently to ensure interoperability.
- c) The downlink standard length transaction interface shall deliver downlink aircraft parameters (DAPs) to the transponder which makes them available to the ground. Each DAP shall be packed into the Comm-B format ('MB' field) and can be extracted using either the ground-initiated Comm-B (GICB) protocol, or using MSP downlink channel 3 via the dataflash application.

*Note.— The formats and update rates of each register and the dataflash application are specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

- d) **Integrity of data content transfer.** A transponder which employs data interfaces shall include sufficient protection to ensure error rates of less than one error in 10<sup>3</sup> messages and less than one undetected error in 10<sup>7</sup> 112-bit transmissions in both directions between the antenna and each interface port.
- e) **Message cancellation.** The downlink standard length transaction interface and the extended length message interface shall include the capability to cancel a message sent to the transponder for delivery to the ground, but whose delivery cycle has not been completed (i.e. a closeout has not been accomplished by a ground interrogator).
- f) **Air-directed messages.** The transfer of this type of message requires all of the actions indicated in Sub Part 23.4, plus the transfer to the transponder of the interrogator identifier of the site that is to receive the message.

#### 23.4.9.16 ESSENTIAL SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS OF THE GROUND INTERROGATOR

*Note.— To ensure that Mode S interrogator action is not detrimental to Mode A/C interrogators, performance limits exist for Mode S interrogators.*

- a) **Interrogation repetition rates.** Mode S interrogators shall use the lowest practicable interrogation repetition rates for all interrogation modes.

*Note.— Accurate azimuth data at low interrogation rates can be obtained with monopulse techniques.*

- b) **All-call interrogation repetition rate.** The interrogation repetition rate for the Mode A/C/S all-call, used for acquisition, shall be less than 250 per second. This rate shall also apply to

the paired Mode S-only and Mode A/C- only all-call interrogations used for acquisition in the multisite mode.

- c) **Maximum number of Mode S all-call replies triggered by an interrogator.** For aircraft that are not locked out, a Mode S interrogator shall not trigger, on average, more than 6 all-call replies per period of 200 ms and no more than all-call replies counted over a period of 18 seconds.

#### 23.4.9.17 Interrogation repetition rate to a single aircraft

- a) **Interrogations requiring a reply.** Mode S interrogations requiring a reply shall not be transmitted to a single aircraft at intervals shorter than 400 microseconds.
- b) **Uplink ELM interrogations.** The minimum time between the beginnings of successive Comm-C interrogations shall be 50 microseconds.
- c) **Transmission rate for selective interrogations.** For all Mode S interrogators, the transmission rate for selective interrogations shall be:
- 1) less than 2 400 per second averaged over a 40- millisecond interval; and
  - 2) less than 480 into any 3-degree sector averaged over a 1-second interval.
- d) Additionally, for a Mode S interrogator that has overlapping coverage with the sidelobes of any other Mode S interrogator, the transmission rate for selective interrogations shall be:
- 1) less than 1 200 per second averaged over a 4-second interval; and
  - 2) less than 1 800 per second averaged over a 1-second interval.

*Note.— Typical minimum distance to ensure sidelobe separation between interrogators is 35 km.*

#### 23.4.9.18 INTERROGATOR-EFFECTIVE RADIATED POWER

The effective radiated power of all interrogation pulses shall be minimized as described in 23.4.3.1.1.8.2.

- a) **Inactive-state interrogator output power.** When the interrogator transmitter is not transmitting an interrogation, its output shall not exceed -5 dBm effective radiated power at any frequency between 960 MHz and 1 215 MHz.

*Note.— This constraint ensures that aircraft flying near the interrogator (as close as 1.85 km (1 NM)) will not receive interference that would prevent them from being tracked by another interrogator. In certain instances even smaller interrogator-to-aircraft distances are of significance, for example if Mode S surveillance on the airport surface is used. In such cases a further restraint on inactive state interrogator output power may be necessary.*

- b) **Spurious emission radiation.** CW radiation shall not exceed 76 dB below 1 watt.
- c) Tolerances on transmitted signals. In order that the signal-in- space be received by the transponder, the tolerances on the transmitted signal shall be as summarized in Table 3-11.
- d) **SPURIOUS RESPONSE** The response to signals not within the passband shall be at least 60 dB below normal sensitivity.



e) **Lockout coordination.** A Mode S interrogator shall not be operated using all-call lockout until coordination has been achieved with all other operating Mode S interrogators having any overlapping coverage volume in order to ensure that no interrogator can be denied the acquisition of Mode S-equipped aircraft.

*Note.— This coordination may be via ground network or by the allocation of interrogator identifier (II) codes and will involve regional agreements where coverage overlaps international boundaries.*

### 23.4.9.19 MOBILE INTERROGATORS

Mobile interrogators shall acquire, whenever possible, Mode S aircraft through the reception of squitters.

*Note.— Passive squitter acquisition reduces channel loading and can be accomplished without the need for coordination.*

**Table 3-11. Transmitted signal tolerances**

<i>Reference</i>	<i>Function</i>	<i>Tolerance</i>
3.1.2.1.4.1	Pulse duration $P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5$ Pulse duration $P_6$	$\pm 0.09$ microsecond $\pm 0.20$ microsecond
3.1.1.4	Pulse duration $P_1 - P_3$ Pulse duration $P_1 - P_2$	$\pm 0.18$ microsecond $\pm 0.10$ microsecond
3.1.2.1.5.1.3	Pulse duration $P_3 - P_4$	$\pm 0.04$ microsecond
3.1.2.1.5.2.4	Pulse duration $P_1 - P_2$ Pulse duration $P_2$ — sync phase reversal Pulse duration $P_6$ — sync phase reversal Pulse duration $P_5$ — sync phase reversal	$\pm 0.04$ microsecond $\pm 0.04$ microsecond $\pm 0.04$ microsecond $\pm 0.05$ microsecond
3.1.1.5	Pulse amplitude $P_3$	$P_1 \pm 0.5$ dB
3.1.2.1.5.1.4	Pulse amplitude $P_4$	$P_3 \pm 0.5$ dB
3.1.2.1.5.2.5	Pulse amplitude $P_6$	Equal to or greater than $P_2 - 0.25$ dB
3.1.2.1.4.1	Pulse rise times	0.05 microsecond minimum, 0.1 microsecond maximum
3.1.2.1.4.1	Pulse decay times	0.05 microsecond minimum, 0.2 microsecond maximum

#### 23.4.10 AIRBORNE COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEM

*Note 2.— Non-SI alternative units are used as permitted by Part 22, Section 22.3.2.2. In limited cases, to ensure consistency at the level of the logic calculations, units such as ft/s, NM/s and kt/s are used.*

*Note 3.— The system that is compliant with Section 23.4.4 in its entirety is the one that incorporates the traffic alert and collision avoidance systems (TCAS) Version 7.1 and therefore meets the RTCA/DO-185B or EUROCAE/ED-143 specification.*

*Note 4.— Equipment complying with RTCA/DO-185A standards (also known as TCAS Version 7.0) is not compliant with 23.4.4 in its entirety.*

##### 23.4.10.1 DEFINITIONS RELATING TO AIRBORNE COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEM

**ACAS I:** An ACAS which provides information as an aid to “see and avoid” action but does not include the capability for generating resolution advisories (RAs).

**ACAS II:** An ACAS which provides vertical resolution advisories (RAs) in addition to traffic advisories (TAs).

**ACAS III:** An ACAS which provides vertical and horizontal resolution advisories (RAs) in addition to traffic advisories (TAs).

**ACAS broadcast:** A long Mode S air-air surveillance interrogation (UF =16) with the broadcast address.

**Active RAC:** An RAC is active if it currently constrains the selection of the RA. RACs that have been received within the last six seconds and have not been explicitly cancelled are active.

**Altitude crossing RA:** A resolution advisory is altitude crossing if own ACAS aircraft is currently at least 30 m (100 ft) below or above the threat aircraft for upward or downward sense advisories, respectively.

**Climb RA:** A positive RA recommending a climb but not an increased climb.

**Closest approach:** The occurrence of minimum range between own ACAS aircraft and the intruder. Thus range at closest approach is the smallest range between the two aircraft and time of closest approach is the time at which this occurs.

**Coordination:** The process by which two ACAS-equipped aircraft select compatible resolution advisories (RAs) by the exchange of resolution advisory complements (RACs).

**Coordination interrogation:** A Mode S interrogation (uplink transmission) radiated by ACAS II or III and containing a resolution message.

**Coordination reply:** A Mode S reply (downlink transmission) acknowledging the receipt of a coordination interrogation by the Mode S transponder that is part of an ACAS II or III installation.

**Corrective RA:** A resolution advisory that advises the pilot to deviate from the current flight path.

**Cycle:** The term “cycle” used in this section refers to one complete pass through the sequence

of functions executed by ACAS II or ACAS III, nominally once a second.

**Descend RA:** A positive RA recommending a descent but not an increased descent.

**Established track:** A track generated by ACAS air-air surveillance that is treated as the track of an actual aircraft.

**Increased rate RA:** A resolution advisory with a strength that recommends increasing the altitude rate to a value exceeding that recommended by a previous climb or descend RA.

**Intruder:** An SSR transponder-equipped aircraft within the surveillance range of ACAS for which ACAS has an established track.

**Own aircraft:** The aircraft fitted with the ACAS that is the subject of the discourse, which ACAS is to protect against possible collisions, and which may enter a maneuver in response to an ACAS indication.

**Positive RA:** A resolution advisory that advises the pilot either to climb or to descend (applies to ACAS II).

**Potential threat:** An intruder deserving special attention either because of its close proximity to own aircraft or because successive range and altitude measurements indicate that it could be on a collision or near-collision course with own aircraft. The warning time provided against a potential threat is sufficiently small that a traffic advisory (TA) is justified but not so small that a resolution advisory (RA) would be justified.

**Preventive RA:** A resolution advisory that advises the pilot to avoid certain deviations from the current flight path but does not require any change in the current flight path.

**RA sense:** The sense of an ACAS II RA is “upward” if it requires climb or limitation of descent rate and “downward” if it requires descent or limitation of climb rate. It can be both upward and downward simultaneously if it requires limitation of the vertical rate to a specified range.

**Resolution advisory (RA):** An indication given to the flight crew recommending:

- a) a maneuver intended to provide separation from all threats; or
- b) a maneuver restriction intended to maintain existing separation.

**Resolution advisory complement (RAC):** Information provided by one ACAS to another via a Mode S interrogation in order to ensure complementary maneuver by restricting the choice of maneuver available to the ACAS receiving the RAC.

**Resolution advisory complements record (RAC record):**

A composite of all currently active vertical RACs (VRCs) and horizontal RACs (HRCs) that have been received by ACAS. This information is provided by one ACAS to another ACAS or to a Mode S ground station via a Mode S reply.

**Resolution advisory strength:** The magnitude of the maneuver indicated by the RA. An RA may take on several successive strengths before being cancelled. Once a new RA strength is issued, the previous one automatically becomes void.

**Resolution message:** The message containing the resolution advisory complement (RAC).

**Reversed sense RA:** A resolution advisory that has had its sense reversed.

**Sensitivity level (S):** An integer defining a set of parameters used by the traffic advisory (TA) and collision avoidance algorithms to control the warning time provided by the potential threat and threat detection logic, as well as the values of parameters relevant to the RA selection logic.

**Threat:** An intruder deserving special attention either because of its close proximity to own aircraft or because successive range and altitude measurements indicate that it could be on a collision or near-collision course with own aircraft. The warning time provided against a threat is sufficiently small that an RA is justified.

**Track:** A sequence of at least three measurements representing positions that could reasonably have been occupied by an aircraft.

**Traffic advisory (TA):** An indication given to the flight crew that a certain intruder is a potential threat.

**Vertical speed limit (VSL) RA:** A resolution advisory advising the pilot to avoid a given range of altitude rates. A VSL RA can be either corrective or preventive.

**Warning time:** The time interval between potential threat or threat detection and closest approach when neither aircraft accelerates.

#### 23.4.10.2 ACAS I GENERAL PROVISIONS AND CHARACTERISTICS

a) Functional requirements. ACAS I shall perform the following functions:

- 1) surveillance of nearby SSR transponder-equipped aircraft; and
- 2) provide indications to the flight crew identifying the approximate position of nearby aircraft as an aid to visual acquisition.

*Note.— ACAS I is intended to operate using Mode A/C interrogations only. Furthermore, it does not coordinate with other ACAS. Therefore, a Mode S transponder is not required as a part of an ACAS I installation.*

b) Signal format. The RF characteristics of all ACAS I signals shall conform to the provisions of Sub Part 23.4.

#### 23.4.10.3 INTERFERENCE CONTROL.

a) **Maximum radiated RF power.** The effective radiated power of an ACAS I transmission at 0 degree elevation relative to the longitudinal axis of the aircraft shall not exceed 24 dBW.

b) **Unwanted radiated power.** When ACAS I is not transmitting an interrogation, the effective radiated power in any direction shall not exceed -70 dBm.

*Note.— This requirement is to ensure that, when not transmitting an interrogation, ACAS I does not radiate RF energy that could interfere with, or reduce the sensitivity of, the SSR transponder or radio equipment in other nearby aircraft or ground facilities.*

c) **Interference limiting.** Each ACAS I interrogator shall control its interrogation rate or power or both in all SSR modes to minimize interference effects.

d) **Determination of own transponder reply rate.** ACAS I shall monitor the rate that own

transponder replies to interrogations to ensure that the provisions are met.

- e) **Determination of the number of ACAS II and ACAS III interrogators.** ACAS I shall count the number of ACAS II and ACAS III interrogators in the vicinity to ensure that the provisions are met. This count shall be obtained by monitoring ACAS broadcasts (UF = 16), and shall be updated as the number of distinct ACAS aircraft addresses received within the previous 20-s period at a nominal frequency of at least 1 Hz.

Mode A/C ACAS I interference limits. The interrogator power shall not exceed the following limits:

$n_a$	Upper limit for $\left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{k_t} P_a(k) \right\}$	
	If $f_r \leq 240$	If $f_r > 240$
0	250	118
1	250	113
2	250	108
3	250	103
4	250	98
5	250	94
6	250	89
7	250	84
8	250	79
9	250	74
10	245	70
11	228	65
12	210	60
13	193	55
14	175	50
15	158	45
16	144	41
17	126	36
18	109	31
19	91	26
20	74	21
21	60	17
$\geq 22$	42	12

where:

$n_a$  = number of operating ACAS II and ACAS III equipped aircraft near own (based on ACAS broadcasts received with a transponder receiver threshold of -74 dBm);

{ } = average value of the expression within the brackets over last interrogation cycles;

$P_a(k)$  = peak power radiated from the antenna in all directions of the pulse having the largest amplitude in the group of pulses comprising a single interrogation during the  $k$ th Mode A/C interrogation in a 1 s interrogation cycle, W;

$k$  = index number for Mode A/C interrogations,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, k_t$ ;

$k_t$  = number of Mode A/C interrogations transmitted in a 1 s interrogation cycle;

$f_r$  = Mode A/C reply rate of own transponder.

- f) **Mode S ACAS I interference limits.** An ACAS I that uses Mode S interrogations shall not cause greater interference effects than an ACAS I using Mode A/C interrogations only.

#### 23.4.10.4 GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATING TO ACAS II AND ACAS III

Note 1.— The acronym ACAS is used in this section to indicate either ACAS II or ACAS III.

Note 2.— The term “equipped threat” is used in this section to indicate a threat fitted with ACAS II or ACAS III.

### Functional requirements

#### ACAS functions.

ACAS shall perform the following functions:

- a) surveillance;
- b) generation of TAs;
- c) threat detection;
- d) generation of RAs;
- e) coordination; and
- f) communication with ground stations.

The equipment shall execute functions b) through e) on each cycle of operation.

Note.— Certain features of these functions must be standardized to ensure that ACAS units cooperate satisfactorily with other ACAS units, with Mode S ground stations and with the ATC system. Each of the features that are standardized is discussed below. Certain other features are given herein as recommendations.

The duration of a cycle shall not exceed 1.2 s.

### 23.4.10.5 SURVEILLANCE PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- a) **General surveillance requirements.** ACAS shall interrogate SSR Mode A/C and Mode S transponders in other aircraft and detect the transponder replies. ACAS shall measure the range and relative bearing of responding aircraft. Using these measurements and information conveyed by transponder replies, ACAS shall estimate the relative positions of each responding aircraft. ACAS shall include provisions for achieving such position determination in the presence of ground reflections, interference and variations in signal strength.
- b) **Track establishment probability.** ACAS shall generate an established track, with at least a 0.90 probability that the track is established 30 s before closest approach, on aircraft equipped with transponders when all of the following conditions are satisfied:
  - 1) the elevation angles of these aircraft are within  $\pm 10$  degrees relative to the ACAS aircraft pitch plane;
  - 2) the magnitudes of these aircraft’s rates of change of altitude are less than or equal to 51 m/s (10 000 ft/min);
  - 3) the transponders and antennas of these aircraft meet the Standards of as enshrined in this Sub Part;
  - 4) the closing speeds and directions of these aircraft, the local density of SSR transponder-equipped aircraft and the number of other ACAS interrogators in the vicinity (as determined by monitoring ACAS broadcasts, satisfy the conditions specified in Table 4-1; and
  - 5) the minimum slant range is equal to or greater than 300 m (1 000 ft).

**Table 4-1. ACAS design assumptions**

Conditions								Performance	
Forward		Side		Back		Maximum traffic density		Maximum number of other ACAS within 56 km (30 NM)	Probability of success
Maximum closing speed						aircraft/ km <sup>2</sup>	aircraft/ NM <sup>2</sup>		
m/s	kt	m/s	kt	m/s	kt				
260	500	150	300	93	180	0.087	0.30	30	0.90
620	1 200	390	750	220	430	0.017	0.06	30	0.90

*Note.— Table 4-1 shows the design assumption upon which the development of ACAS was based. Operational experience and simulation show that ACAS provides adequate surveillance for collision avoidance even when the maximum number of other ACAS within 56 km (30 NM) is somewhat higher than that shown in Table 4-1. Future ACAS designs will take account of current and expected ACAS densities.*

- c) ACAS shall continue to provide surveillance with no abrupt degradation in track establishment probability as any one of the condition bounds is exceeded.
- d) ACAS shall not track Mode S aircraft that report that they are on the ground.

*Note.— A Mode S aircraft may report that it is on the ground by coding in the capability (CA) field in a DF = 11 or DF = 17 transmission or by coding in the vertical status (VS) field in a DF = 0 transmission. Alternatively, if the aircraft is under Mode S ground surveillance, ground status may be determined by monitoring the flight status (FS) field in downlink formats DF = 4, 5, 20 or 2.1*

- e) ACAS shall achieve the required tracking performance when the average SSR Mode A/C asynchronous reply rate from transponders in the vicinity of the ACAS aircraft is 240 replies per second and when the peak interrogation rate received by the individual transponders under surveillance is 500 per second.

*Note.— The peak interrogation rate mentioned above includes interrogations from all sources.*

- f) False track probability. The probability that an established Mode A/C track does not correspond in range and altitude, if reported, to an actual aircraft shall be less than 10<sup>-2</sup>. For an established Mode S track this probability shall be less than 10<sup>-6</sup>. These limits shall not be exceeded in any traffic environment.

**23.4.10.6 RANGE AND BEARING ACCURACY**

- a) Range shall be measured with a resolution of 14.5 m (1/128 NM) or better.
- b) The errors in the relative bearings of the estimated positions of intruders shall not exceed 10 degrees rms.

*Note.— This accuracy in the relative bearing of intruders is practicable and sufficient as an aid to the visual acquisition of potential threats. In addition, such relative bearing information has been found useful in threat detection, where it can indicate that an intruder is a threat. However, this accuracy is not sufficient as a basis for horizontal RAs, nor is it sufficient for reliable predictions of horizontal miss distance.*

**23.4.10.7 INTERFERENCE CONTROL**

- a) **Maximum radiated RF power.** The effective radiated power of an ACAS transmission at 0 degree elevation relative to the longitudinal axis of the aircraft shall not exceed 27 dBW.
- b) **Unwanted radiated power.** When ACAS is not transmitting an interrogation, the effective radiated power in any direction shall not exceed -70 dBm.
- c) **Interference limiting.** Each ACAS interrogator operating below a pressure altitude of 5 490 m (18 000 ft) shall control its interrogation rate or power or both so as to conform with specific inequalities.
- d) **Determination of the number of other ACAS.**  
ACAS shall count the number of other ACAS II and III interrogators in the vicinity to ensure that the interference limits are met. This count shall be obtained by monitoring ACAS broadcasts (UF = 16). Each ACAS shall monitor such broadcast interrogations to determine the number of other ACAS within detection range.
- e) **ACAS interference limiting inequalities.** ACAS shall adjust its interrogation rate and interrogation power such that the following three inequalities remain true, except as provided in this Sub Part.

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{i_1} \left[ \frac{P(i)}{250} \right]^\alpha \right\} < \text{minimum} \left[ \frac{280}{1+n_a}, \frac{11}{\alpha^2} \right] \quad (1)$$

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{i_1} m(i) \right\} < 0.01 \quad (2)$$

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{B} \sum_{k=1}^{k_1} \frac{P_a(k)}{250} \right\} < \text{minimum} \left[ \frac{80}{1+n_a}, 3 \right] \quad (3)$$

The variables in these inequalities shall be defined as follows:

$i$  = number of interrogations (Mode A/C and Mode S) transmitted in a 1 s interrogation cycle. This shall include all Mode S interrogations used by the ACAS functions, including those in addition to UF = 0 and UF = 16 interrogations, except as provided in this Sub Part;

*Note.*— UF = 19 interrogations are included in it as specified in 3.1.2.8.9.4.  $i$  = index number for Mode A/C and Mode S interrogations,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, i_1$ ; the minimum of  $a_1$  calculated as  $1/4 [n_b/n_c]$  subject to the special conditions given below and  $a_2$  calculated as  $\text{Log}_{10} [n_a/n_b] / \text{Log}_{10} 25$ , where  $n_b$  and  $n_c$  are defined as the number of operating ACAS II and ACAS III equipped aircraft (airborne or on the ground) within 11.2 km (6 NM) and 5.6 km (3 NM) respectively, of own ACAS



(based on ACAS surveillance). ACAS aircraft operating on the ground or at or below a radio altitude of 610 m (2 000 ft) AGL shall include both airborne and on-ground ACAS II and ACAS III aircraft in the value for  $n_b$  and  $n_c$ . Otherwise, ACAS shall include only airborne ACAS II and ACAS III aircraft in the value for  $n_b$  and  $n_c$ . The values of  $a$ ,  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are further constrained to a minimum of 0.5 and a maximum of 1.0.

IF  $[(n_b \leq 1) \text{ OR } (n_b \leq 4 \text{ AND } n_c \leq 2 \text{ AND } n_a >$

25)] THEN  $\alpha_1 = 1.0$ , IF  $[(n_c > 2) \text{ AND } (n_b > 2$

$n_c) \text{ AND } (n_a < 40)]$  THEN  $\alpha_1 = 0.5$ ;

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{i_1} \left[ \frac{p(i)}{250} \right]^\alpha \right\} < \text{minimum} \left[ \frac{280}{1+n_a}, \frac{11}{\alpha^2} \right] \quad (1)$$

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{i_1} m(i) \right\} < 0.01 \quad (2)$$

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{B} \sum_{k=1}^{k_1} \frac{P_a(k)}{250} \right\} < \text{minimum} \left[ \frac{80}{1+n_a}, 3 \right] \quad (3)$$

$p(i)$  = peak power radiated from the antenna in all directions of the pulse having the largest amplitude in the group of pulses comprising a single interrogation during the  $i$ th interrogation in a 1 s interrogation cycle, W;

$m(i)$  = duration of the mutual suppression interval for own transponder associated with the  $i$ th interrogation in a 1 s interrogation cycle, s;

$B$  = beam sharpening factor (ratio of 3 dB beam width to beamwidth resulting from interrogation side-lobe suppression). For ACAS interrogators that employ transmitter side-lobe suppression (SLS), the appropriate beamwidth shall be the extent in azimuth angle of the Mode A/C replies from one transponder as limited by SLS, averaged over the transponder population;

{ }

$P_a(k)$         "  
 $K$                 "  
 $k_t$                 "  
 $n_a$   
 "

Note.— RA and ACAS broadcasts (4.3.6.2.1 and 4.3.7.1.2.4) are interrogations.

f) **Transmissions during RAs.** All air-to-air coordination interrogations and RA and ACAS broadcasts shall be transmitted at full power and these interrogations shall be excluded from the summations of Mode S interrogations in the left-hand terms of inequalities (1) and (2) in Sub Part 23.4. for the duration of the RA.

g) **Transmissions from ACAS units on the ground.**

Whenever the ACAS aircraft indicates that it is on the ground, ACAS interrogations shall be

limited by setting the number of other ACAS II and III aircraft ( $n_a$ ) count in the interference limiting inequalities to a value that is three times the value obtained based on ACAS broadcasts received with a transponder receiver threshold of -74 dBm. Whenever Mode A/C interrogation power is reduced because of interference limiting, the Mode A/C interrogation power in the forward beam shall be reduced first until the forward sequence matches the right and left sequences. The forward, right and left interrogation powers shall then sequentially be reduced until they match the rear interrogation power. Further reduction of Mode A/C power shall be accomplished by sequentially reducing the forward, side and rear interrogation powers.

- h) **Transmissions from ACAS units above 5 490 m (18 000 ft) altitude.** Each ACAS interrogator operating above a pressure altitude of 5 490 m (18 000 ft) shall control its interrogation rate or power or both such that inequalities (1) and (3) in Sub Part 23.4. remain true when  $n_a$  and  $a$  are equal to 1, except as provided in said Sub Part 23.4.

#### 23.4.10.8 TRAFFIC ADVISORIES (TAS)

- a) **TA function.** ACAS shall provide TAs to alert the flight crew to potential threats. Such TAs shall be accompanied by an indication of the approximate relative position of potential threats to facilitate visual acquisition.
- b) **Display of potential threats.** If potential threats are shown on a traffic display, they shall be displayed in amber or yellow.

*Note 1.— These colours are generally considered suitable for indicating a cautionary condition.*

*Note 2.— Additional information assisting in the visual acquisition such as vertical trend and relative altitude may be displayed as well.*

*Note 3.— Traffic situational awareness is improved when tracks can be supplemented by display of heading information (e.g. as extracted from received ADS-B messages).*

#### 23.4.10.9 PROXIMATE TRAFFIC DISPLAY

- a) While any RA and/or TA are displayed, proximate traffic within 11 km (6 NM) range and, if altitude reporting,  $\pm 370$  m (1 200 ft) altitude should be displayed. This proximate traffic shall be distinguished (e.g. by colour or symbol type) from threats and potential threats, which should be more prominently displayed.
- b) While any RA and/or TA are displayed, visual acquisition of the threats and/or potential threat shall not be adversely affected by the display of proximate traffic or other data (e.g. contents of received ADS-B messages) unrelated to collision avoidance.
- c) **TAs as RA precursors.** The criteria for TAs shall be such that they are satisfied before those for an RA.
- d) **TA warning time.** For intruders reporting altitude, the nominal TA warning time shall not be greater than  $(T+20)$  s where T is the nominal warning time for the generation of the resolution advisory.

*Note.— Ideally, RAs would always be preceded by a TA but this is not always possible, e.g. the RA criteria might be already satisfied when a track is first established, or a sudden and sharp*

*manoeuvre by the intruder could cause the TA lead time to be less than a cycle.*

#### 23.4.10.10 THREAT DETECTION

- a) **Declaration of threat.** ACAS shall evaluate appropriate characteristics of each intruder to determine whether or not it is a threat.
- b) **Intruder characteristics.** As a minimum, the characteristics of an intruder that are used to identify a threat shall include:
- 1) tracked altitude;
  - 2) tracked rate of change of altitude;
  - 3) tracked slant range;
  - 4) tracked rate of change of slant range; and
  - 5) sensitivity level of intruder's ACAS,  $S_i$ .

For an intruder not equipped with ACAS II or ACAS III,  $S_i$  shall be set to 1.

- c) **Own aircraft characteristics.** As a minimum, the characteristics of own aircraft that are used to identify a threat shall include:
- 1) altitude;
  - 2) rate of change of altitude; and
  - 3) sensitivity level of own ACAS.
- d) **Sensitivity levels.** ACAS shall be capable of operating at any of a number of sensitivity levels. These shall include:
- 1)  $S = 1$ , a "standby" mode in which the interrogation of other aircraft and all advisories are inhibited;
  - 2)  $S = 2$ , a "TA only" mode in which RAs
  - 3)  $S = 3-7$ , further levels that enable the issue of RAs that provide the warning times indicated in Table 4-2 as well as TAs.
- e) **Selection of own sensitivity level ( $S_o$ ).**  
The selection of own ACAS sensitivity level shall be determined by sensitivity level control (SLC) commands which shall be accepted from a number of sources as follows:
- 1) SLC command generated automatically by ACAS based on altitude band or other external factors;
  - 2) SLC command from pilot input; and
  - 3) SLC command from Mode S ground stations.
- f) **Permitted SLC command codes.**  
As a minimum, the acceptable SLC command codes shall include:

Coding

for SLC based on altitude band	2-7
for SLC from pilot input	0,1,2
for SLC from Mode S ground	0,2-6

g) **Altitude-band SLC command.**

Where ACAS selects an SLC command based on altitude, hysteresis shall be applied to the nominal altitude thresholds at which SLC command value changes are required as follows: for a climbing ACAS aircraft the SLC command shall be increased at the appropriate altitude threshold plus the hysteresis value; for a descending ACAS aircraft the SLC command shall be decreased at the appropriate altitude threshold minus the hysteresis value.

h) **Pilot SLC command.** For the SLC command set by the pilot the value 0 shall indicate the selection of the “automatic” mode for which the sensitivity level selection shall be based on the other commands.

**Table 4-2**

33	37	41	55	59	60	61	63			
BDS1 = 3	BDS2 = 0	ARA	RAC	RAT	MTE	TTI = 1	TID			
36	40	54	58	59	60	62	88			

33	37	41	55	59	60	61	63	76	83	
BDS1 = 3	BDS2 = 0	ARA	RAC	RAT	MTE	TTI = 2	TIDA	TIDR	TIDB	
36	40	54	58	59	60	62	75	82	88	

- i) **Mode S ground station SLC command.** For SLC commands transmitted via Mode S ground stations, the value 0 shall indicate that the station concerned is not issuing an SLC command and that sensitivity level selection shall be based on the other commands, including non-0 commands from other Mode S ground stations. ACAS shall not process an uplinked SLC value of 1.
- j) **ATS selection of SLC command code.** ATS authorities shall ensure that procedures are in place to inform pilots of any ATS selected SLC command code other than 0.
- k) **Selection rule.** Own ACAS sensitivity level shall be set to the smallest non-0 SLC command received from any of the sources listed in 23.4.4.
- l) **Selection of parameter values for RA generation.** When the sensitivity level of own ACAS is 3 or greater, the parameter values used for RA generation that depend on sensitivity level shall be based on the greater of the sensitivity level of own ACAS,  $S_o$ , and the sensitivity level of the intruder’s ACAS,  $S_i$ .
- m) **Selection of parameter values for TA generation.** The parameter values used for TA generation that depend on sensitivity level shall be selected on the same basis as those for RAs (23.4.4.3.(d)) except when an SLC command with a value of 2 (“TA only” mode) has been received from either the pilot or a Mode S ground station. In this case, the parameter values for TA generation shall retain the values they would have had in the absence of the SLC command from the pilot or Mode S ground station.

**23.4.10.11 RESOLUTION ADVISORIES (RAS)**

- a) **RA generation.** For all threats, ACAS shall generate an RA except where it is not possible to select an RA that can be predicted to provide adequate separation either because of uncertainty in the diagnosis of the intruder's flight path or because there is a high risk that a manoeuvre by the threat will negate the RA.
- b) **Display of threats.** If threats are shown on a traffic display, they shall be displayed in red.
- Note.— This colour is generally considered suitable for indicating a warning condition.*
- c) **RA cancellation.** Once an RA has been generated against a threat or threats it shall be maintained or modified until tests that are less stringent than those for threat detection indicate on two consecutive cycles that the RA may be cancelled, at which time it shall be cancelled.
- d) **RA selection.** ACAS shall generate the RA that is predicted to provide adequate separation from all threats and that has the least effect on the current flight path of the ACAS aircraft consistent with the other provisions in this section.
- e) **RA effectiveness.** The RA shall not recommend or continue to recommend a manoeuvre or manoeuvre restriction that, considering the range of probable threat trajectories, is more likely to reduce separation than increase it, subject to the provisions in this Sub Part.
- f) New ACAS installations after 1 January 2014 shall monitor own aircraft's vertical rate to verify compliance with the RA sense. If non-compliance is detected, ACAS shall stop assuming compliance, and instead shall assume the observed vertical rate.
- Note 1.— This overcomes the retention of an RA sense that would work only if followed. The revised vertical rate assumption is more likely to allow the logic to select the opposite sense when it is consistent with the non-complying aircraft's vertical rate.*
- Note 2.— Equipment complying with RTCA/DO-185 or DO-185A standards (also known as TCAS Version 6.04A or TCAS Version 7.0) do not comply with this requirement.*
- Note 3.— Compliance with this requirement can be achieved through the implementation of traffic alert and collision avoidance system (TCAS) Version 7.1 as specified in RTCA/DO-185B or EUROCAE/ED-143.*
- g) All ACAS shall be compliant with the requirement in this Sub Part.
- h) After 1 January 2017, all ACAS units shall comply with the requirements stated in this Sub Part.
- i) **Aircraft capability.** The RA generated by ACAS shall be consistent with the performance capability of the aircraft.
- j) **Proximity to the ground.** Descend RAs shall not be generated or maintained when own aircraft is below 300 m (1 000 ft) AGL.
- k) ACAS shall not operate in sensitivity levels 3-7 when own aircraft is below 300 m (1 000 ft) AGL.
- l) **23.4.4.3.5.5 Reversals of sense.** ACAS shall not reverse the sense of an RA from one cycle to

the next, except as permitted in 23.4.4.3. to ensure coordination or when the predicted separation at closest approach for the existing sense is inadequate.

- m) **Sense reversals against equipped threats.** If an RAC received from an equipped threat is incompatible with the current RA sense, ACAS shall modify the RA sense to conform with the received RAC if own aircraft address is higher in value than that of the threat.

*Note.— Sub Part 23.4 requires that the own ACAS RAC for the threat is also reversed.*

- n) ACAS shall not modify an RA sense in a way that makes it incompatible with an RAC received from an equipped threat if own aircraft address is higher in value than that of the threat.
- o) **RA strength retention.** Subject to the requirement that a descend RA is not generated at low altitude, an RA shall not be modified if the time to closest approach is too short to achieve a significant response or if the threat is diverging in range.
- p) **Weakening an RA.** An RA shall not be weakened if it is likely that it would subsequently need to be strengthened.
- q) **ACAS-equipped threats.** The RA shall be compatible with all the RACs transmitted to threats. If an RAC is received from a threat before own ACAS generates an RAC for that threat, the RA generated shall be compatible with the RAC received unless such an RA is more likely to reduce separation than increase it and own aircraft address is lower in value than that of the threat.

*Note.— In encounters with more than one threat where it is necessary to pass above some threats and below other threats, this standard can be interpreted as referring to the whole duration of the RA. Specifically, it is permissible to retain an RA to climb (descend) towards a threat that is above (below) own aircraft provided there is a calculated intention to provide adequate separation from all threats by subsequently levelling-off.*

- r) **Encoding of ARA subfield.** On each cycle of an RA, the RA sense, strength and attributes shall be encoded in the active RA (ARA) subfield. If the ARA subfield has not been refreshed for an interval of 6 s, it shall be set to 0, along with the MTE subfield in the same message.
- s) **System response time.** The system delay from receipt of the relevant SSR reply to presentation of an RA sense and strength to the pilot shall be as short as possible and shall not exceed 1.5 s.

#### 23.4.10.12 COORDINATION AND COMMUNICATION

##### 23.4.10.12.1 PROVISIONS FOR COORDINATION WITH ACAS-EQUIPPED THREATS

- a) **Multi-aircraft coordination.** In a multi-aircraft situation, ACAS shall coordinate with each equipped threat individually.
- b) **Data protection during coordination.** ACAS shall prevent simultaneous access to stored data by concurrent processes, in particular, during resolution message processing.
- c) **Coordination interrogation.** Each cycle ACAS shall transmit a coordination interrogation to each equipped threat, unless generation of an RA is delayed because it is not possible to select an RA that can be predicted to provide adequate separation. The resolution message

transmitted to a threat shall include an RAC selected for that threat. If an RAC has been received from the threat before ACAS selects an RAC for that threat, the selected RAC shall be compatible with the received RAC unless no more than three cycles have elapsed since the RAC was received, the RAC is altitude-crossing, and own aircraft address is lower in value than that of the threat in which case ACAS shall select its RA independently. If an RAC received from an equipped threat is incompatible with the RAC own ACAS has selected for that threat, ACAS shall modify the selected RAC to be compatible with the received RAC if own aircraft address is higher in value than that of the threat.

*Note.— The RAC included in the resolution message is in the form of a vertical RAC (VRC) for ACAS II and a vertical RAC (VRC) and/or horizontal RAC (HRC) for ACAS III.*

- d) **Coordination termination.** Within the cycle during which an intruder ceases to be a reason for maintaining the RA, ACAS shall send a resolution message to that intruder by means of a coordination interrogation. The resolution message shall include the cancellation code for the last RAC sent to that intruder while it was a reason for maintaining the RA.

*Note.— During an encounter with a single threat, the threat ceases to be a reason for the RA when the conditions for cancelling the RA are met. During an encounter with multiple threats, a threat ceases to be a reason for the RA when the conditions for cancelling the RA are met in respect of that threat, even though the RA may have to be maintained because of other threats.*

- e) ACAS coordination interrogations shall be transmitted until a coordination reply is received from the threat, up to a maximum of not less than six and not more than twelve attempts. The successive interrogations shall be nominally equally spaced over a period of  $100 \pm 5$  ms. If the maximum number of attempts is made and no reply is received, ACAS shall continue its regular processing sequence.
- f) ACAS shall provide parity protection for all fields in the coordination interrogation that convey RAC information.

*Note.— This includes the vertical RAC (VRC), the cancel vertical RAC (CVC), the horizontal RAC (HRC) and the cancel horizontal RAC (CHC).*

- g) Whenever own ACAS reverses its sense against an equipped threat, the resolution message that is sent on the current and subsequent cycles to that threat shall contain both the newly selected RAC and the cancellation code for the RAC sent before the reversal.
- h) When a vertical RA is selected, the vertical RAC (VRC) that own ACAS includes in a resolution message to the threat shall be as follows:

- 1) “do not pass above” when the RA is intended to provide separation above the threat;
- 2) “do not pass below” when the RA is intended to provide separation below the threat.

- i) **Resolution message processing.** Resolution messages shall be processed in the order in which they are received and with delay limited to that required to prevent possible concurrent access to stored data and delays due to the processing of previously received resolution messages. Resolution messages that are being delayed shall be temporarily queued to prevent possible loss of messages. Processing a resolution message shall include decoding the message and updating the appropriate data structures with the information extracted from the message.

*Note.— According to this Sub Part, resolution message processing must not access any data*

*whose usage is not protected by the coordination lock state.*

- j) An RAC or an RAC cancellation received from another ACAS shall be rejected if the encoded sense bits indicate the existence of a parity error or if undefined value(s) are detected in the resolution message. An RAC or an RAC cancellation received without parity errors and without undefined resolution message values shall be considered valid.
- k) **RAC storage.** A valid RAC received from another ACAS shall be stored or shall be used to update the previously stored RAC corresponding to that ACAS. A valid RAC cancellation shall cause the previously stored RAC to be deleted. A stored RAC that has not been updated for an interval of 6 s shall be deleted.
- l) **RAC record update.** A valid RAC or RAC cancellation received from another ACAS shall be used to update the RAC record. If a bit in the RAC record has not been refreshed for an interval of 6 s by any threat, that bit shall be set to 0.

#### **23.4.10.12.2 PROVISIONS FOR ACAS COMMUNICATION WITH GROUND STATIONS**

- a) **Air-initiated downlink of ACAS RAs.** When an ACAS RA exists, ACAS shall:
  - 1) transfer to its Mode S transponder an RA report for transmission to the ground in a Comm-B reply; and
  - 2) transmit periodic RA broadcasts.
- b) **Sensitivity level control (SLC) command.** ACAS shall store SLC commands from Mode S ground stations. An SLC command received from a Mode S ground station shall remain effective until replaced by an SLC command from the same ground station as indicated by the site number contained in the IIS subfield of the interrogation. If an existing stored command from a Mode S ground station is not refreshed within 4 minutes, or if the SLC command received has the value 15, the stored SLC command for that Mode S ground station shall be set to 0.

#### **23.4.10.13 PROVISIONS FOR DATA TRANSFER BETWEEN ACAS AND ITS MODE S TRANSPONDER**

- a) **Data transfer from ACAS to its Mode S transponder:**
  - 1) ACAS shall transfer RA information to its Mode S transponder for transmission in an RA report and in a coordination reply;
  - 2) ACAS shall transfer current sensitivity level to its Mode S transponder for transmission in a sensitivity level report; and
  - 3) ACAS shall transfer capability information to its Mode S transponder for transmission in a data link capability report.
- b) Data transfer from Mode S transponder to its ACAS:
  - 1) ACAS shall receive from its Mode S transponder sensitivity level control commands transmitted by Mode S ground stations;
  - 2) ACAS shall receive from its Mode S transponder ACAS broadcast messages transmitted by



- other ACAS; and
- 3) ACAS shall receive from its Mode S transponder resolution messages transmitted by other ACAS for air-air coordination purposes.

#### 23.4.11 ACAS PROTOCOLS

##### 23.4.11.1 SURVEILLANCE PROTOCOLS

- a) Surveillance of Mode A/C transponders.
  - 1) ACAS shall use the Mode C-only all-call interrogation for surveillance of aircraft equipped with Mode A/C transponders.
  - 2) Using a sequence of interrogations with increasing power, surveillance interrogations shall be preceded by an S1-pulse to reduce interference and improve Mode A/C target detection.

##### 23.4.11.2 SURVEILLANCE OF MODE S TRANSPONDERS

- a) Detection. ACAS shall monitor 1 090 MHz for Mode S acquisition squitters (DF = 11). ACAS shall detect the presence and determine the address of Mode S-equipped aircraft using their Mode S acquisition squitters (DF = 11) or extended squitters (DF = 17).

*Note 1.— It is acceptable to acquire individual aircraft using either acquisition or extended squitters (DF = 11 or DF = 17), and to monitor for both squitters. However, ACAS must monitor for acquisition squitters because, at any time, not all aircraft will transmit the extended squitter.*

- b) **Surveillance interrogations.** On first receipt of a 24-bit aircraft address from an aircraft that is determined to be within the reliable surveillance range of ACAS based on reception reliability and that is within an altitude band 3 050 m (10 000 ft) above and below own aircraft, ACAS shall transmit a short air-air interrogation (UF = 0) for range acquisition. Surveillance interrogations shall be transmitted at least once every five cycles when this altitude condition is satisfied. Surveillance interrogations shall be transmitted each cycle if the range of the detected aircraft is less than 5.6 km (3 NM) or the calculated time to closest approach is less than 60 s, assuming that both the detected and own aircraft proceed from their current positions with unaccelerated motion and that the range at closest approach equals 5.6 km (3 NM). Surveillance interrogations shall be suspended for a period of five cycles if:
  - 1) a reply was successfully received; and
  - 2) own aircraft and intruder aircraft are operating below a pressure altitude of 5 490 m (18 000 ft); and
  - 3) the range of the detected aircraft is greater than 5.6 km (3 NM) and the calculated time to closest approach exceeds 60 seconds, assuming that both the detected and own aircraft proceed from their current positions with unaccelerated motion and that the range at closest approach equals 5.6 km (3 NM).
- c) **Range acquisition interrogations.** ACAS shall use the short air-air surveillance format (UF = 0) for range acquisition. ACAS shall set AQ = 1 and RL = 0 in an acquisition interrogation.

*Note 1.— Setting AQ = 1 results in a reply with bit 14 of the RI field equal to 1 and serves as an aid in distinguishing the reply to own interrogation from replies elicited from other ACAS units.*

*Note 2.— In the acquisition interrogation RL is set to 0 to command a short acquisition reply (DF*

- = 0).
- d) **Tracking interrogations.** ACAS shall use the short air-air surveillance format (UF = 0) with RL = 0 and AQ = 0 for tracking interrogations.
  - e) **Surveillance replies.** These protocols are described in 23.4.4.3.
  - f) **ACAS broadcast.** An ACAS broadcast shall be made nominally every 8 to 10 s at full power from the top antenna. Installations using directional antennas shall operate such that complete circular coverage is provided nominally every 8 to 10 s.

*Note.— A broadcast causes other Mode S transponders to accept the interrogation without replying and to present the interrogation content containing the MU field at the transponder output data interface. The UDS1 = 3, UDS2 = 2 combination identifies the data as an ACAS broadcast containing the 24-bit address of the interrogating ACAS aircraft. This provides each ACAS with a means of determining the number of other ACAS within its detection range for limiting interference. The format of the MU field is described in this Sub Part.*

#### **23.4.11.3 AIR-AIR COORDINATION PROTOCOLS**

- a) **Coordination interrogations.** ACAS shall transmit UF = 16 interrogations (Figure 3-7) with AQ = 0 and RL = 1 when another aircraft reporting RI = 3 or 4 is declared a threat (4.3.4). The MU field shall contain the resolution message in the subfields specified in 23.4.4.3.

*Note 1.— A UF = 16 interrogation with AQ = 0 and RL = 1 is intended to cause a DF = 16 reply from the other aircraft. Note 2.— An aircraft reporting RI = 3 or RI = 4 is an aircraft equipped with an operating ACAS which has vertical only or vertical and horizontal resolution capability, respectively.*

- b) **Coordination reply.** These protocols are described in 23.4.4.3.

#### **23.4.11.4 PROTOCOLS FOR ACAS COMMUNICATION WITH GROUND STATIONS**

- a) **RA reports to Mode S ground stations.** These protocols are described in 23.4.4.3.
- b) **RA broadcasts.** RA broadcasts shall be transmitted at full power from the bottom antenna at jittered, nominally 8 s intervals for the period that the RA is indicated. The RA broadcast shall include the MU field as specified in this Sub Part. The RA broadcast shall describe the most recent RA that existed during the preceding 8 s period. Installations using directional antennas shall operate such that complete circular coverage is provided nominally every 8 s and the same RA sense and strength is broadcast in each direction.
- c) **Data link capability report.** These protocols are described in 23.4.4.3.
- d) **ACAS sensitivity level control.** ACAS shall act upon an SLC command if and only if TMS has the value 0 and DI is either 1 or 7 in the same interrogation.

#### **23.4.11.5 SIGNAL FORMATS**

- e) The RF characteristics of all ACAS signals shall conform to the Standards of Sub Part 23.3.

#### **23.4.11.6 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ACAS AND MODE S SIGNAL FORMATS**

*Note.— ACAS uses Mode S transmissions for surveillance and communications. ACAS air-air*

*communication functions permit RA decisions to be coordinated with ACAS-equipped threats. ACAS air-ground communication functions permit the reporting of RAs to ground stations and the uplinking of commands to ACAS-equipped aircraft to control parameters of the collision avoidance algorithms.*

- a) **Signal format conventions.** The data encoding of all ACAS signals shall conform to the requirements of 23.4.

*Note.— In air-air transmissions used by ACAS, interrogations transmitted at 1 030 MHz are designated as uplink transmissions and contain uplink format (UF) codes. Replies received at 1 090 MHz are designated as downlink transmissions and contain downlink format (DF) codes.*

**23.4.11.7 FIELD DESCRIPTION**

*Note 1.— The air-air surveillance and communication formats which are used by ACAS but not fully described in Sub Part 23.4. are given in Figure 4-1.*

*Note 2.— This section defines the Mode S fields (and their subfields) that are processed by ACAS to accomplish ACAS functions. Some of the ACAS fields (those also used for other SSR Mode S functions) are described with unassigned ACAS codes in Sub Part 23.4. Such codes are assigned. Fields and subfields used only by ACAS equipment are assigned in this Sub Part.*

*Note 3.— The bit numbering convention used in 23.4. reflects the bit numbering within the entire uplink or downlink format rather than the bits within individual fields or subfields.*

**23.4.11.8 FIELDS AND SUBFIELDS INTRODUCED IN 23.4.**

*Note.— Codes for mission fields and subfields that are designated “reserved for ACAS”, are specified in this section.*

- a) **DR (downlink request).** The significance of the coding of the downlink request field shall be as follows:

Coding	
0-1	See 23.4.3.3.1.
2	ACAS message available
3	Comm-B message available and ACAS message available 4-5 See 23.4.3.1.
6	Comm-B broadcast message 1 available and ACAS message available
7	Comm-B broadcast message 2 available and ACAS message available
8-31	See 23.4.3.3.

- b) **RI (air-air reply information).** The significance of the coding in the RI field shall be as follows:

Coding	
0	No operating ACAS
1	Not assigned
2	ACAS with resolution capability inhibited
3	ACAS with vertical-only resolution capability
4	ACAS with vertical and horizontal

	resolution capability
5-7	Not assigned
8-15	See 23.4.3. 3.

- c) Bit 14 of the reply format containing this field shall replicate the AQ bit of the interrogation. The RI field shall report “no operating ACAS” (RI = 0) if the ACAS unit has failed or is in standby. The RI field shall report “ACAS with resolution capability inhibited” (RI = 2) if sensitivity level is 2 or TA only mode has been selected.

Note.— Codes 0-7 in the RI field indicate that the reply is a tracking reply and also give the ACAS capability of the interrogated aircraft. Codes 8-15 indicate that the reply is an acquisition reply and also give the maximum true airspeed capability of the interrogated aircraft.

- d) **RR (reply request).** The significance of the coding in the reply request field shall be as follows:

Coding	
0-18	See Sub Part 23.3.
19	Transmit a resolution advisory report
20-31	See Sub Part 23.3.

#### **23.4.11.9 ACAS FIELDS AND SUBFIELDS**

Note.— The following paragraphs describe the location and coding of those fields and subfields that are not defined in Section 23.4.3.1. but are used by aircraft equipped with ACAS.

#### **23.4.11.10 Subfield in MA**

- a) ADS (A-definition subfield). This 8-bit (33-40) subfield shall define the remainder of MA.

Note.— For convenience of coding, ADS is expressed in two groups of four bits each, ADS1 and ADS2.

- b) When ADS1 = 0 and ADS2 = 5, the following subfield shall be contained in MA:

- c) **SLC (ACAS sensitivity level control (SLC) command).** This 4-bit (41-44) subfield shall denote a sensitivity level command for own ACAS. Coding

0	No command issued
1	Not assigned
2	Set ACAS sensitivity level to 2
3	Set ACAS sensitivity level to 3
4	Set ACAS sensitivity level to 4
5	Set ACAS sensitivity level to 5
6	Set ACAS sensitivity level to 6
7-14	Not assigned
16	Cancel previous SLC command from this ground station

Note.— Structure of MA for a sensitivity level control command:

#### **23.4.11.11 Subfields in MB**

- a) **Subfields in MB for an RA report.** When BDS1 = 3 and BDS2 = 0, the subfields indicated below shall be contained in MB

Note.— The requirements for communication of information relating to the current or recent RAs is described in in Sub Part 23.4.

- b) **ARA (active RAs).** This 14-bit (41-54) subfield shall indicate the characteristics of the RA, if any, generated by the ACAS associated with the transponder transmitting the subfield. The bits in ARA shall have meanings determined by the value of the MTE subfield and, for vertical RAs, the value of bit 41 of ARA. The meaning of bit 41 of ARA shall be as follows:

Coding

0	There is more than one threat and the RA is intended to provide separation below some threat(s) and above some other threat(s) or no RA has been generated (when MTE = 0)
1	Either there is only one threat or the RA is intended to provide separation in the same direction for all threats

When ARA bit 41 = 1 and MTE = 0 or 1, bits 42-47 shall have the following meanings:

<i>Bit</i>	<i>Coding</i>	
42	0	RA is preventive
	1	RA is corrective
43	0	Upward sense RA has been
	1	Downward sense RA has been
44	0	RA is not increased rate
	1	RA is increased rate
45	0	RA is not a sense reversal
	1	RA is a sense reversal
46	0	RA is not altitude crossing
	1	RA is altitude crossing
47	0	RA is vertical speed limit
	1	RA is positive
48-54		Reserved for ACAS III

When ARA bit 41 = 0 and MTE = 1, bits 42-47 shall have the following meanings:

<i>Bit</i>	<i>Coding</i>	
42	0	RA does not require a correction in the
	1	RA requires a correction in the upward sense
43	0	RA does not require a positive climb
	1	RA requires a positive climb
44	0	RA does not require a correction in the
	1	RA requires a correction in the downward
45	0	RA does not require a positive descend
	1	RA requires a positive descend
46	0	RA does not require a crossing
	1	RA requires a crossing

47	0	RA is not a sense reversal
	1	RA is a sense reversal
48-54		Reserved for ACAS III

*Note.— When ARA bit 41 = 0 and MTE = 0, no vertical RA has been generated.*

- c) **RAC (RACs record).** This 4-bit (55-58) subfield shall indicate all the currently active RACs, if any, received from other ACAS aircraft. The bits in RAC shall have the following meanings:

Bit	Resolution advisory complement
55	Do not pass below
56	Do not pass above
57	Do not turn left
58	Do not turn right

A bit set to 1 shall indicate that the associated RAC is active. A bit set to 0 shall indicate that the associated RAC is inactive.

- d) **RAT (RA terminated indicator).** This 1-bit (59) subfield shall indicate when an RA previously generated by ACAS has ceased being generated.

Coding	
0	ACAS is currently generating the RA indicated in the ARA subfield
1	The RA indicated by the ARA subfield has been terminated

Note 1.— After an RA has been terminated by ACAS, it is still required to be reported by the Mode S transponder for 18±1 s. The RA terminated indicator may be used, for example, to permit timely removal of an RA indication from an air traffic controller’s display, or for assessments of RA duration within a particular airspace.

Note 2.— RAs may terminate for a number of reasons: normally, when the conflict has been resolved and the threat is diverging in range; or when the threat’s Mode S transponder for some reason ceases to report altitude during the conflict. The RA terminated indicator is used to show that the RA has been removed in each of these cases.

- e) **MTE (multiple threat encounter).** This 1-bit (60) subfield shall indicate whether two or more simultaneous threats are currently being processed by the ACAS threat resolution logic.

Coding	
0	One threat is being processed by the resolution logic (when ARA bit 41 = 1); or no threat is being processed by the resolution log (when ARA bit 41 = 0)
1	Two or more simultaneous threats are being processed by the resolution logic

- f) **TTI (threat type indicator subfield).** This 2-bit subfield (61-62) shall define the type of identity data contained in the TID subfield.

Coding	
0	No identify data in TID
1	TID contains a Mode S transponder address

- 2 TID contains altitude, range and bearing data
- 3 Not assigned

- g) **TID (threat identity data subfield).** This 26-bit subfield (63-88) shall contain the Mode S address of the threat or the altitude, range, and bearing if the threat is not Mode S equipped. If two or more threats are simultaneously processed by the ACAS resolution logic, TID shall contain the identity or position data for the most recently declared threat. If TTI = 1, TID shall contain in bits 63-86 the aircraft address of the threat, and bits 87 and 88 shall be set to 0. If TTI = 2, TID shall contain the following three subfields.
- h) **TIDA (threat identity data altitude subfield).** This 13-bit subfield (63-75) shall contain the most recently reported Mode C altitude code of the threat.

*Coding*

Bit	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75
Mode C code bit	C <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	A <sub>4</sub>	0	B <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>4</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>

- i) **TIDR (threat identity data range subfield).** This 7-bit subfield (76-82) shall contain the most recent threat range estimated by ACAS.

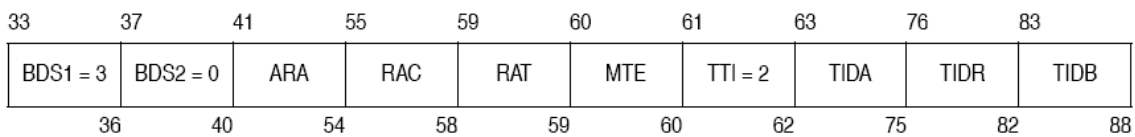
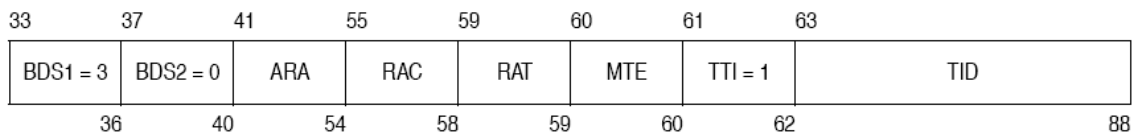
*Coding (n)*

<i>n</i>	<i>Estimated range (NM)</i>
0	No range estimate available
1	Less than 0.05
2-126	$(n-1)/10 \pm 0.05$
127	Greater than 12.55

- j) **TIDB (threat identity data bearing subfield).** This 6-bit subfield (83-88) shall contain the most recent estimated bearing of the threat aircraft, relative to the ACAS aircraft heading.

*Coding (n)*

<i>n</i>	<i>Estimated bearing (degrees)</i>
0	No bearing estimate available
1-60	Between $6(n-1)$ and $6n$
61-63	<i>Not assigned</i>



Bit 72	Bit	ACAS version
0	0	RTCA/DO-185 (pre-ACAS)
0	1	RTCA/DO-185A

1	0	RTCA/DO-185B & EUROCAE ED
1	1	Reserved for future versions (see

Note 1.— A summary of the MB subfields for the data link capability report structure is described in Sub Part 23.4.

Note 2.— The use of hybrid surveillance to limit ACAS active interrogations is described in 4.5.1. The ability only to support decoding of DF = 17 extended squitter messages is not sufficient to set bit 72.

Note 3.— Future versions of ACAS will be identified using part numbers and software version numbers specified in registers E516 and E616.

- k) **MU field.** This 56-bit (33-88) field of long air-air surveillance interrogations (Figure 4-1) shall be used to transmit resolution messages, ACAS broadcasts and RA broadcasts.
- l) **UDS (U-definition subfield).** This 8-bit (33-40) subfield shall define the remainder of MU.

Note.— For convenience in coding, UDS is expressed in two groups of four bits each, UDS1 and UDS2.

- m) **Subfields in MU for a resolution message.** When UDS1 = 3 and UDS2 = 0 the following subfields shall be contained in MU:
- n) **MTB (multiple threat bit).** This 1-bit (42) subfield shall indicate the presence or absence of multiple threats.

Coding	
0	Interrogating ACAS has one threat
1	Interrogating ACAS has more than one threat

- o) **VRC (vertical RAC).** This 2-bit (45-46) subfield shall denote a vertical RAC relating to the addressed aircraft.

Coding	
0	No vertical RAC sent
1	Do not pass below
2	Do not pass above
3	Not assigned

- p) **CVC (cancel vertical RAC).** This 2-bit (43-44) subfield shall denote the cancellation of a vertical RAC previously sent to the addressed aircraft. This subfield shall be set to 0 for a new threat.

Coding	
0	No cancellation
1	Cancel previously sent "Do not pass below"
2	Cancel previously sent "Do not pass above"
3	Not assigned

- q) **HRC (horizontal RAC).** This 3-bit (50-52) subfield shall denote a horizontal RAC relating



to the addressed aircraft.

*Coding*

0	No horizontal RAC or no horizontal resolution capability
1	Other ACAS sense is turn left; do not turn left
2	Other ACAS sense is turn left; do not turn right
3	Not assigned
4	Not assigned
5	Other ACAS sense is turn right; do not turn left
6	Other ACAS sense is turn right; do not turn right
7	Not assigned

- r) **CHC (cancel horizontal RAC).** This 3-bit (47-49) subfield shall denote the cancellation of a horizontal RAC previously sent to the addressed aircraft. This subfield shall be set to 0 for a new threat.

*Coding*

0	No cancellation or no horizontal resolution capability
1	Cancel previously sent “Do not turn left”
2	Cancel previously sent “Do not turn right” 3-7
	Not assigned

- s) **VSB (vertical sense bits subfield).** This 4-bit (61-64) subfield shall be used to protect the data in the CVC and VRC subfields. For each of the 16 possible combinations of bits 43-46 the following VSB code shall be transmitted:

<i>Coding</i>	CVC		VRC		VSB			
	43	44	45	46	61	62	63	64
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
2	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
3	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
4	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
5	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
6	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
7	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
8	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
9	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
10	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
11	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
12	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
13	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
14	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Note.— The rule used to generate the VSB subfield bit setting is a distance 3 Hamming code augmented with a parity bit, producing the ability to detect up to three errors in the eight transmitted bits.

- t) **HSB (horizontal sense bits subfield).** This 5-bit (56-60) subfield shall be used to protect

the data in the CHC and HRC subfields. For each of the 64 possible combinations of bits 47-52 the following HSB code shall be transmitted:

Coding	47	CHC			HRC		HSB					
		48	49	50	51	52	56	57	58	59	6	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
3	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
5	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
6	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
7	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
8	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
9	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
10	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
11	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
12	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
13	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
14	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
15	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
16	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
17	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
18	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
19	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1



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20	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
21	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
22	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
23	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
24	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
25	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
26	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
27	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
29	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
30	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1
31	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
32	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
33	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
34	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
35	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
36	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
37	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
38	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
39	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
40	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
41	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
42	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
43	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
44	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

<i>Coding</i>	47	48	49	50	51	52	56	57	58	59	60
45	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
46	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
47	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
48	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
49	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
50	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
51	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
52	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
53	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
54	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
55	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
56	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
57	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
58	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
59	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
60	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1
61	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
62	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0

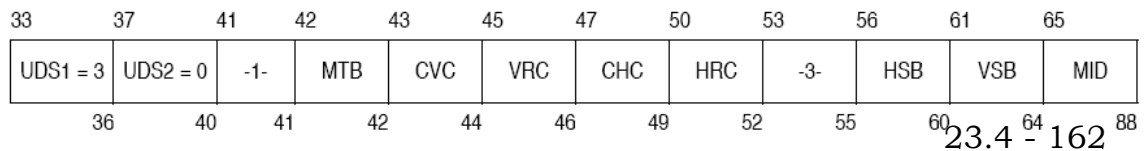
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1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 1

Note.— The rule used to generate the HSB subfield bit setting is a distance 3 Hamming code augmented with a parity bit, producing the ability to detect up to three errors in the eleven transmitted bits.

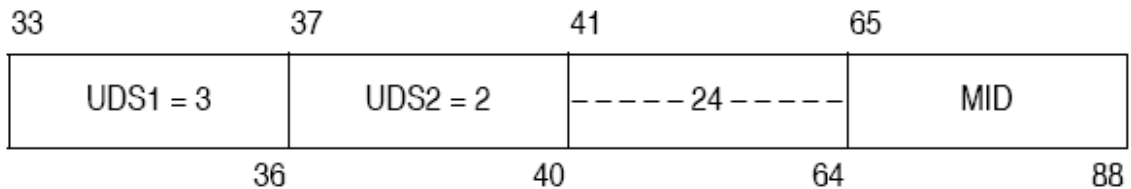
- u) **MID (Aircraft address).** This 24-bit (65-88) subfield shall contain the 24-bit aircraft address of the interrogating ACAS aircraft.

Note.— Structure of MU for a resolution message:



- v) **Subfield in MU for an ACAS broadcast.** When UDS1 = 3 and UDS2 = 2, the following subfield shall be contained in MU:
- w) **MID (Aircraft address).** This 24-bit (65-88) subfield shall contain the 24-bit aircraft address of the interrogating ACAS aircraft.

Note.— Structure of MU for an ACAS broadcast:



- x) **Subfields in MU for an RA broadcast.** When UDS1= 3 and UDS2 = 1, the following subfields shall be contained in MU:
- y) **ARA (active RAs).** This 14-bit (41-54) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.
- z) **RAC (RACs record).** This 4-bit (55-58) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.
- aa) **RAT (RA terminated indicator).** This 1-bit (59) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.
- bb) **MTE (multiple threat encounter).** This 1-bit (60) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.
- cc) **AID (Mode A identity code).** This 13-bit (63-75) subfield shall denote the Mode A identity code of the reporting aircraft.

*Coding*

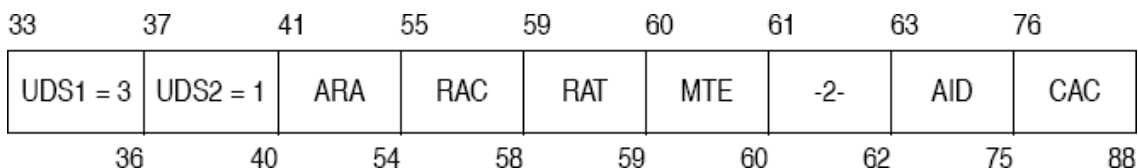
Bit	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75
Mode A code bit	A <sub>4</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>4</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	0	C <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>4</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>

- dd) **CAC (Mode C altitude code).** This 13-bit (76-88) subfield shall denote the Mode C altitude

code of the reporting aircraft.

*Coding*

Bit	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	88
Mode C code bit	C <sub>1</sub>	A <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>	A <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>4</sub>	A <sub>4</sub>	0	B <sub>1</sub>	D <sub>1</sub>	B <sub>2</sub>	D <sub>2</sub>	B <sub>4</sub> D <sub>4</sub>



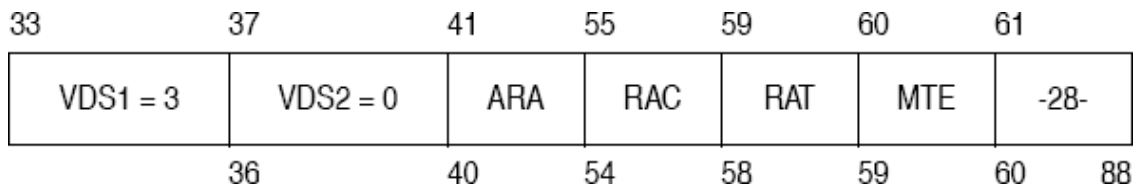
Note.— Structure of MU for an RA broadcast:

- ee) **MV field.** This 56-bit (33-88) field of long air-air surveillance replies (Figure 4-1) shall be used to transmit air-air coordination reply messages.
- ff) **VDS (V-definition subfield).** This 8-bit (33-40) subfield shall define the remainder of MV.

Note.— For convenience in coding, VDS is expressed in two groups of four bits each, VDS1 and VDS2.

- gg) **Subfields in MV for a coordination reply.** When VDS1= 3 and VDS2 = 0, the following subfields shall be contained in MV:
  - hh) **ARA (active RAs).** This 14-bit (41-54) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.
  - ii) **RAC (RACs record).** This 4-bit (55-58) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.
  - jj) **RAT (RA terminated indicator).** This 1-bit (59) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.
  - kk) **MTE (multiple threat encounter).** This 1-bit (60) subfield shall be coded as defined in this Sub Part.

Note.— For convenience in coding, VDS is expressed in two groups of four bits each, VDS1 and VDS2.



- ll) **SL (sensitivity level report).** This 3-bit (9-11) downlink field shall be included in both short and long air-air reply formats (DF = 0 and 16). This field shall denote the sensitivity level at which ACAS is currently operating.

*Coding*

0	ACAS inoperative
1	ACAS is operating at sensitivity level 1
2	ACAS is operating at sensitivity level 2
3	ACAS is operating at sensitivity level 3
4	ACAS is operating at sensitivity level 4
5	ACAS is operating at sensitivity level 5
6	ACAS is operating at sensitivity level 6
7	ACAS is operating at sensitivity level 7

mm) **CC: Cross-link capability.** This 1-bit (7) downlink field shall indicate the ability of the transponder to support the cross-link capability, i.e. decode the contents of the DS field in an interrogation with UF equals 0 and respond with the contents of the specified GICB register in the corresponding reply with DF equals 16.

*Coding*

0	signifies that the transponder cannot support the cross- link capability.
1	signifies that the transponder supports the cross-link capability.

**23.4.11.12 ACAS EQUIPMENT CHARACTERISTICS.**

- a) **Interfaces.** As a minimum, the following input data shall be provided to the ACAS:
- 1) aircraft address code;
  - 2) air-air and ground-air Mode S transmissions received by the Mode S transponder for use by ACAS;
  - 3) own aircraft’s maximum cruising true airspeed capability;
  - 4) pressure altitude; and
  - 5) radio altitude.

Note.— Specific requirements for additional inputs for ACAS II and III are listed in the appropriate sections below.

- b) **Aircraft antenna system.** ACAS shall transmit interrogations and receive replies via two antennas, one mounted on the top of the aircraft and the other on the bottom of the aircraft. The top-mounted antenna shall be directional and capable of being used for direction finding.
- c) **Polarization.** Polarization of ACAS transmissions shall be nominally vertical.
- d) **Radiation pattern.** The radiation pattern in elevation of each antenna when installed on an aircraft shall be nominally equivalent to that of a quarter-wave monopole on a ground plane.

**23.4.11.13 ANTENNA SELECTION**

- a) **Squitter reception.** ACAS shall be capable of receiving squitters via the top and bottom

antennas.

- b) **Interrogations.** ACAS interrogations shall not be transmitted simultaneously on both antennas.
- c) **Pressure altitude source.** The altitude data for own aircraft provided to ACAS shall be obtained from the source that provides the basis for own Mode C or Mode S reports and they shall be provided at the finest quantization available.
- d) A source providing a resolution finer than 7.62 m (25 ft) shall be used.
- e) Where a source providing a resolution finer than 7.62 m (25 ft) is not available, and the only altitude data available for own aircraft is Gilham encoded, at least two independent sources shall be used and compared continuously in order to detect encoding errors.
- f) Two altitude data sources shall be used and compared in order to detect errors before provision to ACAS.
- g) The provisions of 23.4.4.3. shall apply when the comparison of the two altitude data sources indicates that one of the sources is in error.

#### 23.4.11.14 MONITORING

- a) **Monitoring function.** ACAS shall continuously perform a monitoring function in order to provide a warning if any of the following conditions at least are satisfied:
  - 1) there is no interrogation power limiting due to interference control and the maximum radiated power is reduced to less than that necessary to satisfy the surveillance requirements specified in 23.4.4.3; or
  - 2) any other failure in the equipment is detected which results in a reduced capability of providing TAs or RAs; or

- 3) data from external sources indispensable for ACAS operation are not provided, or the data provided are not credible.
- b) **Effect on ACAS operation.** The ACAS monitoring function shall not adversely affect other ACAS functions.
- c) **Monitoring response.** When the monitoring function detects a failure, ACAS shall:
  - 1) indicate to the flight crew that an abnormal condition exists;
  - 2) prevent any further ACAS interrogations; and
  - 3) cause any Mode S transmission containing own aircraft's resolution capability to indicate that ACAS is not operating.

#### **23.4.11.15 REQUIREMENTS FOR A MODE S TRANSPONDER USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH ACAS**

- a) **Transponder capabilities.** In addition to the minimum transponder capabilities defined in 23.4.3.3.1, the Mode S transponder used in conjunction with ACAS shall have the following capabilities:
  - 1) Ability to handle the following formats:

2) Format No.	Format name
UF = 16	Long air-air surveillance interrogation
DF = 16	Long air-air surveillance reply
  - 3) ability to receive long Mode S interrogations (UF = 16) and generate long Mode S replies (DF = 16) at a continuous rate of 16.6 ms (60 per second);
  - 4) means for delivering the ACAS data content of all accepted interrogations addressed to the ACAS equipment;
  - 5) antenna diversity;
  - 6) mutual suppression capability; and
  - 7) inactive state transponder output power restriction.
- b) When the Mode S transponder transmitter is in the inactive state, the peak pulse power at 1 090 MHz  $\pm$ 3 MHz at the terminals of the Mode S transponder antenna shall not exceed -70 dBm.

#### **23.4.11.16 DATA TRANSFER BETWEEN ACAS AND ITS MODE S TRANSPONDER**

- a) Data transfer from ACAS to its Mode S transponder:
- b) The Mode S transponder shall receive from its ACAS RA information for transmission in an RA report and in a coordination reply;
- c) the Mode S transponder shall receive from its ACAS current sensitivity level for transmission in a sensitivity level report;
- d) the Mode S transponder shall receive from its ACAS capability information for transmission in a data link capability report and for transmission in the RI field of air- air downlink formats DF = 0 and DF = 16; and



- e) the Mode S transponder shall receive from its ACAS an indication that RAs are enabled or inhibited for transmission in the RI field of downlink formats 0 and 16.

**23.4.11.17 DATA TRANSFER FROM MODE S TRANSPONDER TO ITS ACAS:**

- a) The Mode S transponder shall transfer to its ACAS received sensitivity level control commands transmitted by Mode S stations;
- b) the Mode S transponder shall transfer to its ACAS received ACAS broadcast messages transmitted by other ACASs;
- c) the Mode S transponder shall transfer to its ACAS received resolution messages transmitted by other ACASs for air-air coordination purposes; and
- d) the Mode S transponder shall transfer to its ACAS own aircraft's Mode A identity data for transmission in an RA broadcast.

**23.4.11.18 COMMUNICATION OF ACAS INFORMATION TO OTHER ACAS**

- a) **Surveillance reply.** The ACAS Mode S transponder shall use the short (DF = 0) or long (DF = 16) surveillance formats for replies to ACAS surveillance interrogations. The surveillance reply shall include the VS field as specified in this Sub Part, the RI field and the SL field as specified in this Sub Part.
- b) **Coordination reply.** The ACAS Mode S transponder shall transmit a coordination reply upon receipt of a coordination interrogation from an equipped threat subject to the conditions of 23.4.4.3. The coordination reply shall use the long air-air surveillance reply format, DF = 16, with the VS field, the RI field, the SL field and the MV field. Coordination replies shall be transmitted even if the minimum reply rate limits of the transponder are exceeded.
- c) The ACAS Mode S transponder shall reply with a coordination reply to a coordination interrogation received from another ACAS if and only if the transponder is able to deliver the ACAS data content of the interrogation to its associated ACAS.

**23.4.11.19 COMMUNICATION OF ACAS INFORMATION TO GROUND STATIONS**

- a) **RA reports to Mode S ground stations.** During the period of an RA and for  $18 \pm 1$  s following the end of the RA, the ACAS Mode S transponder shall indicate that it has an RA report by setting the appropriate DR field code in replies to a Mode S sensor. The RA report shall include the MB field as specified in 23.4.4.3. The RA report shall describe the most recent RA that existed during the preceding  $18 \pm 1$  s period.

*Note 1.— The last sentence of 4.3.11.4.1 means that for  $18 \pm 1$  s following the end of an RA, all MB subfields in the RA report with the exception of bit 59 (RA terminated indicator) will retain the information reported at the time the RA was last active.*

*Note 2.— Upon receipt of a reply with DR = 2, 3, 6 or 7, a Mode S ground station may request downlink of the RA report by setting RR = 19 and either DI = 7, or DI = 7 and RRS = 0 in a surveillance or Comm- A interrogation to the ACAS aircraft. When this interrogation is received, the transponder replies with a Comm-B reply whose MB field contains the RA report.*

- b) **Data link capability report.** The presence of an ACAS shall be indicated by its Mode S transponder to a ground station in the Mode S data link capability report.

*Note.— This indication causes the transponder to set codes in a data link capability report as specified in 4.3.8.4.2.2.2.*

**23.4.12 INDICATIONS TO THE FLIGHT CREW**

**23.4.12.1 CORRECTIVE AND PREVENTIVE RAS**

Indications to the flight crew shall distinguish between preventive and corrective RAs.

**23.4.12.2 ALTITUDE CROSSING RAS**

If ACAS generates an altitude crossing RA, a specific indication shall be given to the flight crew that it is crossing.

**23.4.12.3 PERFORMANCE OF THE ACAS II COLLISION AVOIDANCE LOGIC**

*Note.— Caution is to be observed when considering potential improvements to the reference ACAS II system described in Subpart 4 of the guidance material in the Attachment since changes may affect more than one aspect of the system performance. It is essential that alternative designs would not degrade the performances of other designs and that such compatibility is demonstrated with a high degree of confidence.*

**23.4.12.4 DEFINITIONS RELATING TO THE PERFORMANCE OF THE COLLISION AVOIDANCE LOGIC**

*Note.— The notation [t1, t2] is used to indicate the interval between t1 and t2.*

**Altitude layer.** Each encounter is attributed to one of six altitude layers as follows:

Layer	1	2	3	4	5	6
from		2 300 ft	5 000 ft	10 000 ft	20 000 ft	41 000 ft
to	2 300 ft	5 000 ft	10 000 ft	20 000 ft	41 000 ft	

- a) The altitude layer of an encounter is determined by the average altitude of the two aircraft at closest approach.

*Note.— For the purposes of defining the performance of the collision avoidance logic, there is no need to specify the physical basis of the altitude measurement or the relationship between altitude and ground level.*

- b) **Approach angle.** The difference in the ground headings of the two aircraft at closest approach, with 180 degrees defined as head on and 0 degrees defined as parallel.
- c) **Crossing encounter.** An encounter in which the altitude separation of the two aircraft exceeds 100 ft at the beginning and at the end of the encounter window, and the relative vertical position of two aircraft at the end of the encounter window is reversed from that at the beginning of the encounter window.

- d) **Encounter.** For the purposes of defining the performance of the collision avoidance logic, an encounter consists of two simulated aircraft trajectories. The horizontal coordinates of the aircraft represent the actual position of the aircraft but the vertical coordinate represents an altimeter measurement of altitude.
- e) **Encounter class.** Encounters are classified according to whether or not the aircraft are transitioning at the beginning and end of the encounter window, and whether or not the encounter is crossing.
- f) **Encounter window.** The time interval [tca - 40 s, tca + 10 s].
- g) **Horizontal miss distance (hmd).** The minimum horizontal separation observed in an encounter.
- h) **Level aircraft.** An aircraft that is not transitioning.
- i) **Original trajectory.** The original trajectory of an ACAS-equipped aircraft is that followed by the aircraft in the same encounter when it was not ACAS equipped.
- j) **Original rate.** The original rate of an ACAS-equipped aircraft at any time is its altitude rate at the same time when it followed the original trajectory.
- k) **Required rate.** For the standard pilot model, the required rate is that closest to the original rate consistent with the RA.
- l) **tca.** Nominally, the time of closest approach. For encounters in the standard encounter model (23.4.4.4.2.6), a reference time for the construction of the encounter at which various parameters, including the vertical and horizontal separation (vmd and hmd), are specified.
- m) **Transitioning aircraft.** An aircraft having an average vertical rate with a magnitude exceeding 400 feet per minute (ft/min), measured over some period of interest.
- n) **Turn extent.** A heading difference defined as an aircraft's ground heading at the end of a turn minus its ground heading at the beginning of the turn.
- o) **Vertical miss distance (vmd).** Notionally, the vertical separation at closest approach. For encounters in the standard encounter model, by construction the vertical separation at the time tca.

#### 23.4.12.5 CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE REQUIREMENTS APPLY.

- a) The following assumed conditions shall apply to the performance requirements specified in 23.4.4.4:
  - 1) range and bearing measurements and an altitude report are available for the intruder each cycle as long as it is within 14 NM, but not when the range exceeds 14 NM;
  - 2) the errors in the range and bearing measurements conform to standard range and bearing error models;
  - 3) the intruder's altitude reports, which are its Mode C replies, are expressed in 100 ft

quanta;

- 4) an altitude measurement that has not been quantized and is expressed with a precision of 1 ft or better is available for own aircraft;
- 5) errors in the altitude measurements for both aircraft are constant throughout any particular encounter;
- 6) the errors in the altitude measurements for both aircraft conform to a standard altimetry error model;
- 7) the pilot responses to RAs conform to a standard pilot model;
- 8) the aircraft operate in an airspace in which close encounters, including those in which ACAS generates an RA, conform to a standard encounter model;
- 9) ACAS-equipped aircraft are not limited in their ability to perform the manoeuvres required by their RAs; and
- 10) as specified in 23.4.4.4;
  - i. the intruder involved in each encounter is not equipped; or
  - ii. the intruder is ACAS-equipped but follows a trajectory identical to that in the unequipped encounter; or
  - iii. the intruder is equipped with an ACAS having a collision avoidance logic identical to that of own ACAS.
- b) The performance of the collision avoidance logic shall not degrade abruptly as the statistical distribution of the altitude errors or the statistical distributions of the various parameters that characterize the standard encounter model or the response of pilots to the advisories are varied, when surveillance reports are not available on every cycle or when the quantization of the altitude measurements for the intruder is varied or the altitude measurements for own aircraft are quantized.

#### **23.4.12.6 STANDARD RANGE ERROR MODEL**

The errors in the simulated range measurements shall be taken from a Normal distribution with mean 0 ft and standard deviation 50 ft.

#### **23.4.12.7 STANDARD BEARING ERROR MODEL**

The errors in the simulated bearing measurements shall be taken from a Normal distribution with mean 0.0 degrees and standard deviation 10.0 degrees.

#### **23.4.12.8 STANDARD ALTIMETRY ERROR MODEL**

- a) The errors in the simulated altitude measurements shall be assumed to be distributed as a Laplacian distribution with zero mean having probability density
$$p(e) = 1/2 \lambda \exp(-e / \lambda)$$
- b) The parameter  $\lambda$  required for the definition of the statistical distribution of altimeter error for each aircraft shall have one of two values,  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ , which depend on the altitude layer

of the encounter as follows:

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Layer	1		2		3		4		5		6	
	<i>m</i>	<i>ft</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>ft</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>ft</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>ft</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>ft</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>ft</i>
$\lambda_1$	10	35	11	38	13	43	17	58	22	72	28	94
$\lambda_2$	18	60	18	60	21	69	26	87	30	101	30	101

- c) For an aircraft equipped with ACAS the value of  $\lambda$  shall be  $\lambda_1$ .
- d) For aircraft not equipped with ACAS, the value of  $\lambda$  shall be selected randomly using the following probabilities:

Layer	1	2	3	4	5	6
prob( $\lambda_1$ )	0.391	0.320	0.345	0.610	0.610	0.610
prob( $\lambda_2$ )	0.609	0.680	0.655	0.390	0.390	0.390

**23.4.12.9 STANDARD PILOT MODEL**

The standard pilot model used in the assessment of the performance of the collision avoidance logic shall be that:

- a) any RA is complied with by accelerating to the required rate (if necessary) after an appropriate delay;
- b) when the aircraft’s current rate is the same as its original rate and the original rate complies with the RA, the aircraft continues at its original rate, which is not necessarily constant due to the possibility of acceleration in the original trajectory;
- c) when the aircraft is complying with the RA, its current rate is the same as the original rate and the original rate changes and consequently becomes inconsistent with the RA, the aircraft continues to comply with the RA;
- d) when an initial RA requires a change in altitude rate, the aircraft responds with an acceleration of 0.25 g after a delay of 5 s from the display of the RA;
- e) when an RA is modified and the original rate complies with the modified RA, the aircraft returns to its original rate (if necessary) with the acceleration specified in g) after the delay specified in h);
- f) when an RA is modified and the original rate does not comply with the modified RA, the aircraft responds to comply with the RA with the acceleration specified in g) after the delay specified in h);
- g) the acceleration used when an RA is modified is 0.25 g unless the modified RA is a reversed sense RA or an increased rate RA in which case the acceleration is 0.35 g;
- h) the delay used when an RA is modified is 2.5 s unless this results in the acceleration starting earlier than 5 s from the initial RA in which case the acceleration starts 5 s from the initial RA; and
- i) when an RA is cancelled, the aircraft returns to its original rate (if necessary) with an

acceleration of 0.25 g after a delay of 2.5 s.

**23.4.13 STANDARD ENCOUNTER MODEL.**

**23.4.13.1 ELEMENTS OF THE STANDARD ENCOUNTER MODEL**

- a) In order to calculate the effect of ACAS on the risk of collision and the compatibility of ACAS with air traffic management (ATM), sets of encounters shall be created for each of:
  - 1) the two aircraft address orderings;
  - 2) the six altitude layers;
  - 3) nineteen encounter classes; and
  - 4) nine or ten vmd bins as specified in 23.4.4.4.
- b) The results for these sets shall be combined using the relative weightings
- c) Each set of encounters shall contain at least 500 independent, randomly generated encounters.
- d) The two aircraft trajectories in each encounter shall be constructed with the following randomly selected characteristics:
  - 1) in the vertical plane:
    - i. a vmd from within the appropriate vmd bin;
    - ii. a vertical rate for each aircraft at the beginning of the encounter window,  $\dot{z}_1$  and at the end of the encounter window,  $\dot{z}_2$ ;
    - iii. a vertical acceleration; and
    - iv. a start time for the vertical acceleration; and
  - 2) and in the horizontal plane:
    - i. an hmd;
    - ii. an approach angle;
    - iii. a speed for each aircraft at closest approach;
    - iv. a decision for each aircraft whether or not it turns;
    - v. the turn extent; the bank angle; and the turn end time;
    - vi. a decision for each aircraft whether or not its speed changes; and
    - vii. the magnitude of the speed change.

*Note.— It is possible for the selections made for the various characteristics of an encounter to be irreconcilable. When this occurs, the problem can be resolved by discarding either the selection for a particular characteristic or the whole encounter, as most appropriate.*

- e) Two models shall be used for the statistical distribution of hmd. For calculations of the effect of ACAS on the risk of collision (23.4.4.4.3), hmd shall be constrained to be less than 500 ft. For calculations of the compatibility of ACAS with ATM, hmd shall be selected from a larger range of values.

*Note.— 4.4.2.6.2 and 4.4.2.6.3 specify vertical characteristics for the aircraft trajectories in the standard encounter model that depend on whether the hmd is constrained to be small (“for calculating risk ratio”) or can take larger values (“for ATM compatibility”). Otherwise, the characteristics of the encounters in the vertical and horizontal planes are independent.*

**23.4.13.2 ENCOUNTER AND WEIGHTS**

- a) **Aircraft address.** Each aircraft shall be equally likely to have the higher aircraft address.  
 b) **Altitude layers.** The relative weights of the altitude layers shall be as follows:

<i>Layer</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>
prob(layer)	0.13	0.25	0.32	0.22	0.07	0.01

**23.4.13.3 ENCOUNTER CLASSES**

- a) The encounters shall be classified according to whether the aircraft are level (L) or transitioning (T) at the beginning (before tca) and end (after tca) of the encounter window and whether or not the encounter is crossing, as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>for calculating risk ratio</i>		<i>for ATM compatibility</i>	
	<i>Layers 1-3</i>	<i>Layers 4-6</i>	<i>Layers 1-3</i>	<i>Layers 4-6</i>
1	0.00502	0.00319	0.06789	0.07802
2	0.00030	0.00018	0.00408	0.00440
3	0.00049	0.00009	0.00664	0.00220
4	0.00355	0.00270	0.04798	0.06593
5	0.00059	0.00022	0.00791	0.00549
6	0.00074	0.00018	0.00995	0.00440
7	0.00002	0.00003	0.00026	0.00082
8	0.00006	0.00003	0.00077	0.00082
9	0.00006	0.00003	0.00077	0.00082
10	0.36846	0.10693	0.31801	0.09011
11	0.26939	0.41990	0.23252	0.35386
12	0.06476	0.02217	0.05590	0.01868
13	0.07127	0.22038	0.06151	0.18571
14	0.13219	0.08476	0.11409	0.07143
15	0.02750	0.02869	0.02374	0.02418
16	0.03578	0.06781	0.03088	0.05714
17	0.00296	0.00098	0.00255	0.00082
18	0.00503	0.00522	0.00434	0.00440
19	0.01183	0.03651	0.01021	0.03077

<i>vmd bin</i>	<i>for calculating risk ratio</i>	<i>for ATM compatibility</i>
1	0.013	0.128
2	0.026	0.135
3	0.035	0.209
4	0.065	0.171
5	0.100	0.160
6	0.161	0.092
7	0.113	0.043
8	0.091	0.025
9	0.104	0.014
10	0.091	0.009



<i>Class</i>	<i>before tca</i>	<i>after tca</i>	<i>before tca</i>	<i>after tca</i>	<i>Crossing</i>
1	L	L	T	T	yes
2	L	L	L	T	yes
3	L	L	T	L	yes
4	T	T	T	T	yes
5	L	T	T	T	yes
6	T	T	T	L	yes
7	L	T	L	T	yes
8	L	T	T	L	yes
9	T	L	T	L	yes
10	L	L	L	L	no
11	L	L	T	T	no
12	L	L	L	T	no
13	L	L	T	L	no
14	T	T	T	T	no
15	L	T	T	T	no
16	T	T	T	L	no
17	L	T	L	T	no
18	L	T	T	L	no
19	T	L	T	L	no

b) The relative weights of the encounter classes shall depend on layer as follows:

**23.4.13.4 VMD BINS**

- a) The vmd of each encounter shall be taken from one of ten vmd bins for the non-crossing encounter classes, and from one of nine or ten vmd bins for the crossing encounter classes. Each vmd bin shall have an extent of 100 ft for calculating risk ratio, or an extent of 200 ft for calculating compatibility with ATM. The maximum vmd shall be 1 000 ft for calculating risk ratio, and 2 000 ft otherwise.
- b) For non-crossing encounter classes, the relative weights of the vmd bins shall be as follows:
- c) For the crossing classes, the relative weights of the vmd bins shall be as follows:

<i>vmd bin</i>	<i>for calculating risk ratio</i>	<i>for ATM compatibility</i>
1	0.0	0.064
2	0.026	0.144
3	0.036	0.224
4	0.066	0.183
5	0.102	0.171
6	0.164	0.098
7	0.115	0.046
8	0.093	0.027
9	0.106	0.015
10	0.093	0.010

*Note.*— For the crossing classes, vmd must exceed 100 ft so that the encounter qualifies as a crossing encounter. Thus, for the calculation of risk ratio there is no vmd bin 1, and for calculations of the compatibility with ATM vmd bin 1 is limited to [100 ft, 200 ft].

**23.4.13.5 CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AIRCRAFT TRAJECTORIES IN THE VERTICAL PLANE**

**vmd.** The vmd for each encounter shall be selected randomly from a distribution that is uniform in the interval covered by the appropriate vmd bin.

**23.4.13.6 VERTICAL RATE**

- a) For each aircraft in each encounter, either the vertical rate shall be constant  $\dot{Z}$  or the vertical trajectory shall be constructed so that the vertical rate at tca - 35 s is  $\dot{Z}_1$ , and the vertical rate at tca + 5 s is  $\dot{Z}_2$ . Each vertical rate,  $\dot{Z}$ ,  $\dot{Z}_1$  or  $\dot{Z}_2$  shall be determined by first selecting randomly an interval within which it lies and then selecting the precise value from a distribution that is uniform over the interval selected.
- b) The intervals within which the vertical rates lie shall depend on whether the aircraft is level, i.e. marked “L” in 23.4.4.4.2.6.2.3.1, or transitioning, i.e. marked “T” in 23.4.4.4.2.6.2.3.1, and shall be as follows:

<i>L</i>	<i>T</i>
	[240 ft/min, 400 ft/min] [3 200 ft/min, 6 000 ft/min]
	[80 ft/min, 240 ft/min] [400 ft/min, 3 200 ft/min]
	[-80 ft/min, 80 ft/min] [-400 ft/min, 400 ft/min]
	[-240 ft/min, -80 ft/min] [-3 200 ft/min, -400 ft/min]
	[-400 ft/min, -240 ft/min] [-6 000 ft/min, -3 200 ft/min]

- c) For aircraft that are level over the entire encounter window, the vertical rate  $\dot{Z}$  shall be constant. The probabilities for the intervals within which  $\dot{Z}$  lies shall be as follows:

$\dot{z}$ (ft/min)	$prob(\dot{z})$
[240 ft/min, 400 ft/min]	0.0382
[80 ft/min, 240 ft/min]	0.0989
[-80 ft/min, 80 ft/min]	0.7040
[-240 ft/min, -80 ft/min]	0.1198
[-400 ft/min, -240 ft/min]	0.0391

- d) For aircraft that are not level over the entire encounter window, the intervals for  $\dot{Z}1$  and  $\dot{Z}2$  shall be determined jointly by random selection using joint probabilities that depend on altitude layer and on whether the aircraft is transitioning at the beginning of the encounter window (Rate-to-Level), at the end of the encounter window (Level- to-Rate) or at both the beginning and the end (Rate-to-Rate). The joint probabilities for the vertical rate intervals shall be as follows: IS: 23.4.4
- e) For a Rate-to-Rate track, if line  $|\dot{Z}2 - \dot{Z}1| < 566$  ft/min then the track shall be constructed with a constant rate equal to  $\dot{Z}1$ .

**23.4.13.7 VERTICAL ACCELERATION**

- f) Subject to Sub Part 23.4, for aircraft that are not level over the entire encounter window, the rate shall be constant and equal to  $\dot{Z}1$  over at least the interval [tca - 40 s, tca - 35 s] at the beginning of the encounter window, and shall be constant and equal to  $\dot{Z}2$  over at least the interval [tca + 5 s, tca + 10 s] at the end of the encounter window. The vertical acceleration shall be constant in the intervening period.
- g) The vertical acceleration shall be modelled as follows:

where the parameter A is case-dependent as follows: A(s<sup>-1</sup>)

Case	Layers 1-3	Layers 4-
Rate-to-Level	0.071	0.059
Level-to-Rate	0.089	0.075
Rate-to-Rate	0.083	0.072

and the error  $\epsilon$  is selected randomly using the following probability density:

$$p(\epsilon) = 1/2\mu \exp(-|\epsilon| / \mu) \text{ where}$$

$$\mu = 0.3 \text{ ft s}^{-2}.$$

- h) **Acceleration start time.** The acceleration start time shall be distributed uniformly in the time interval [tca - 35 s, tca - 5 s] and shall be such that  $\dot{Z}2$  is achieved no later than tca + 5 s.

**23.4.14 CHARACTERISTICS OF THE AIRCRAFT TRAJECTORIES IN THE HORIZONTAL PLANE**

**23.4.14.1 HORIZONTAL MISS DISTANCE**

- a) For calculations of the effect of ACAS on the risk of collision (23.4.4.4(c)), hmd shall be uniformly distributed in the range [0, 500 ft].
- b) For calculations concerning the compatibility of ACAS with ATM (23.4.4.4.(d)), hmd shall be distributed so that the values of hmd have the following cumulative probabilities:

hmd (ft)	cumulative probability		hmd (ft)	cumulative probability	
	Layers 1-3	Layers 4-6		Layers 1-3	Layers 4-6
0	0.000	0.000	17 013	0.999	0.868
1 215	0.152	0.125	18 228	1.000	0.897
2 430	0.306	0.195	19 443		0.916
3 646	0.482	0.260	20 659		0.927
4 860	0.631	0.322	21 874		0.939
6 076	0.754	0.398	23 089		0.946
7 921	0.859	0.469	24 304		0.952
8 506	0.919	0.558	25 520		0.965
9 722	0.954	0.624	26 735		0.983
10 937	0.972	0.692	27 950		0.993
12 152	0.982	0.753	29 165		0.996
13 367	0.993	0.801	30 381		0.999
14 582	0.998	0.821	31 596		1.000
15 798	0.999	0.848			

approach angle (deg.)	cumulative probability		approach angle (deg.)	cumulative probability	
	Layers 1-3	Layers 4-6		Layers 1-3	Layers 4-6
0	0.00	0.00	100	0.38	0.28
10	0.14	0.05	110	0.43	0.31
20	0.17	0.06	120	0.49	0.35
30	0.18	0.08	130	0.55	0.43
40	0.19	0.08	140	0.62	0.50
50	0.21	0.10	150	0.71	0.59
60	0.23	0.13	160	0.79	0.66
70	0.25	0.14	170	0.88	0.79
80	0.28	0.19	180	1.00	1.00
90	0.32	0.22			

- c) **Approach angle.** The cumulative distribution for the horizontal approach angle shall be as follows:
- d) **Aircraft speed.** The cumulative distribution for each aircraft's horizontal ground speed at closest approach shall be as follows:

Ground speed (kt)	Cumulative probability		Ground speed(kt)	Cumulative probability	
	<sup>e</sup> Layers 1-	Layers 4-6		<sup>e</sup> Layers 1-3	Layers 4-6
45	0.000		325	0.977	0.528
50	0.005		350	0.988	0.602
75	0.024	0.000	375	0.997	0.692
100	0.139	0.005	400	0.998	0.813
125	0.314	0.034	425	0.999	0.883
150	0.486	0.064	450	1.000	0.940
175	0.616	0.116	475		0.972
200	0.700	0.171	500		0.987
225	0.758	0.211	525		0.993
250	0.821	0.294	550		0.998
275	0.895	0.361	575		0.999
300	0.949	0.427	600		1.000

e) **Horizontal manoeuvre probabilities.** For each aircraft in each encounter, the probability of a turn, the probability of a speed change given a turn, and the probability of a speed change given no turn shall be as follows:

Layer	Prob(turn)	Prob(speed change given a turn)	Prob(speed change given)
1	0.31	0.20	0.50
2	0.29	0.20	0.25
3	0.22	0.10	0.15
4, 5,	0.16	0.05	0.10

f) Given a speed change, the probability of a speed increase shall be 0.5 and the probability of a speed decrease shall be 0.5.

g) **Turn extent.** The cumulative distribution for the extent of any turn shall be as follows:

Turn extent (deg.)	cumulative probability	
	Layers 1-	Layers 4-
15	0.00	0.00
30	0.43	0.58
60	0.75	0.90
90	0.88	0.97
120	0.95	0.99
150	0.98	1.00
180	0.99	
210	1.00	

- h) The direction of the turn shall be random, with the probability of a left turn being 0.5 and the probability of a right turn being 0.5.
- i) Bank angle. An aircraft's bank angle during a turn shall not be less than 15 degrees. The probability that it equals 15 degrees shall be 0.79 in layers 1-3 and 0.54 in layers 4-5. The cumulative distribution for larger bank angles shall be as follows:

Bank angle (deg.)	cumulative probability	
	Layers 1-3	Layers 4-
15	0.79	0.54
25	0.96	0.82
35	0.99	0.98
50	1.00	1.00

- j) Turn end time. The cumulative distribution for each aircraft’s turn end time shall be as follows:

Turn end time (seconds before tca)	cumulative Layers 1-3	probability Layers 4- 6
0	0.42	0.28
5	0.64	0.65
10	0.77	0.76
15	0.86	0.85
20	0.92	0.94
25	0.98	0.99
30	1.00	1.00

- k) Speed change. A constant acceleration or deceleration shall be randomly selected for each aircraft performing a speed change in a given encounter, and shall be applied for the duration of the encounter. Accelerations shall be uniformly distributed between 2 kt/s and 6 kt/s. Decelerations shall be uniformly distributed between 1 kt/s and 3 kt/s.

**23.4.14.2 ACAS EQUIPAGE OF THE INTRUDER**

The performance requirements specified in 23.4.4.4.(c) and 23.4.4.4.(d) each apply to three distinct situations in which the following conditions concerning the intruder’s ACAS and trajectory shall apply:

- a) where the intruder involved in each encounter is not equipped, it follows a trajectory identical to that which it follows when own aircraft is not equipped;
- b) where the intruder is ACAS-equipped but follows a trajectory identical to that in the unequipped encounter:
  - 1) it follows the identical trajectory regardless of whether or not there is an RA;
    - i. the intruder ACAS generates an RA and transmits an RAC that is received immediately after any RA is first announced to the pilot of own aircraft;
    - ii. the sense of the RAC generated by the intruder ACAS and transmitted to own aircraft is opposite to the sense of the first RAC selected and transmitted to the intruder by own aircraft ;
    - iii. the RAC transmitted by the intruder is received by own aircraft; and
    - iv. the requirements apply both when own aircraft has the lower aircraft address and when the intruder aircraft has the lower aircraft address; and
- c) where the intruder is equipped with an ACAS having a collision avoidance logic identical to that of own ACAS:
  - 1) the conditions relating to the performance of own aircraft, ACAS and pilot apply equally to the intruder aircraft, ACAS and pilot;
  - 2) RACs transmitted by one aircraft are received by the other; and
  - 3) the requirements apply both when own aircraft has the lower aircraft address and when the intruder aircraft has the lower aircraft address.

**23.4.14.3 COMPATIBILITY BETWEEN DIFFERENT COLLISION AVOIDANCE LOGIC DESIGNS**

When considering alternative collision avoidance logic designs, certification authorities should verify that:

- a) the performances of the alternative design are acceptable in encounters involving ACAS units that use existing designs; and
- b) the performances of the existing designs are not degraded by the use of the alternative design.

**23.4.14.4 REDUCTION IN THE RISK OF COLLISION**

Under the conditions of this Sub Part, the collision avoidance logic shall be such that the expected number of collisions is reduced to the following proportions of the number expected in the absence of ACAS:

- a) when the intruder is not ACAS equipped 0.18;
- b) when the intruder is equipped but does not respond 0.32; and
- c) when the intruder is equipped and responds 0.04.

**23.4.15 COMPATIBILITY WITH AIR TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT (ATM)**

**23.4.15.1 NUISANCE ALERT RATE**

- a) Under the conditions of Sub Part 23.4, the collision avoidance logic shall be such that the proportion of RAs which are a “nuisance” shall not exceed:
  - 1) .06 when own aircraft’s vertical rate at the time the RA is first issued is less than 400 ft/min; or
  - 2) .08 when own aircraft’s vertical rate at the time the RA is first issued exceeds 400 ft/min.
- b) An RA shall be considered a “nuisance” for the purposes of this Sub Part, unless, at some point in the encounter in the absence of ACAS, the horizontal separation and the vertical separation are simultaneously less than the following values:

	<i>horizontal separation</i>	<i>vertical separation</i>
above FL100	2.0 NM	750 ft
below FL100	1.2 NM	750 ft

**23.4.15.2 COMPATIBLE SENSE SELECTION**

Under the conditions of 23.4, the collision avoidance logic shall be such that the proportion of encounters in which following the RA results in an altitude separation at closest approach with the opposite sign to that occurring in the absence of ACAS shall not exceed the following values:

- a. when the intruder is not ACAS equipped .08;
- b. when the intruder is equipped but does not respond .08; and
- c. when the intruder is equipped and responds .12.



**23.4.15.3 DEVIATIONS CAUSED BY ACAS**

- a) Under the conditions of 23.4, the collision avoidance logic shall be such that the number of RAs resulting in “deviations” greater than the values indicated shall not exceed the following proportions of the total number of RAs:

	<i>when own aircraft's vertical rate at the time the RA is first issued</i>	
	<i>is less than 400 ft/min</i>	<i>exceeds 400 ft/min</i>
<i>when the intruder is not ACAS equipped,</i>		
<i>for deviations ≥300ft</i>	.15	.23
<i>for deviations ≥600ft</i>	.04	.13
<i>for deviations ≥1 000ft</i>	.01	.07
<i>when the intruder is equipped but does not respond,</i>		
<i>for deviations ≥300ft</i>	.23	.35
<i>for deviations ≥600ft</i>	.06	.16
<i>for deviations ≥1 000ft</i>	.02	.07
<i>when the intruder is equipped and responds,</i>		
<i>for deviations ≥300ft</i>	.11	.23
<i>for deviations ≥600ft</i>	.02	.12
<i>for deviations ≥1 000ft</i>	.01	.06

- b) For the purposes of Sub Part 23.4, the “deviation” of the equipped aircraft from the original trajectory shall be measured in the interval from the time at which the RA is first issued until the time at which, following cancellation of the RA, the equipped aircraft has recovered its original altitude rate. The deviation shall be calculated as the largest altitude difference at any time in this interval between the trajectory followed by the equipped aircraft when responding to its RA and its original trajectory.
- c) Relative value of conflicting objectives. The collision avoidance logic should be such as to reduce as much as practicable the risk of collision and limit as much as practicable the disruption to ATM.

**23.4.15.4 ACAS USE OF EXTENDED SQUITTER REPORTS**

- a) ACAS hybrid surveillance using extended squitter position data

*Note.— Hybrid surveillance is the technique used by ACAS to take advantage of passive position information available via extended squitter DF = 17. Using hybrid surveillance, ACAS validates the position provided by extended squitter through direct active range measurement. An initial validation is performed at track initiation. Revalidation is performed once every 60 seconds for targets that do not meet the conditions in altitude or range. Revalidation is performed once per 10 seconds if the intruder becomes a near threat in altitude or range. Finally, regular active surveillance is performed once per second on intruders that become a near threat in both altitude and range. In this manner, passive surveillance (once validated) is used for non-threatening intruders thus lowering the ACAS interrogation rate. Active surveillance is used whenever an intruder becomes a near threat*

in order to preserve ACAS independence as an independent safety monitor.

#### 23.4.15.5 DEFINITIONS

- a) **Active surveillance.** The process of tracking an intruder by using the information gained from the replies to own aircraft's interrogations.
- b) **Hybrid surveillance.** The process of using active surveillance to validate and monitor other aircraft being tracked principally using passive surveillance in order to preserve ACAS independence.
- c) **Initial acquisition.** The process of starting the formation of a new track upon receipt of a squitter from a Mode S aircraft for which there is no track by making an active interrogation.
- d) **Passive surveillance.** The process of tracking another aircraft without interrogating it, by using the other aircraft's extended squitters. ACAS uses the information contained in passive tracks to monitor the need for active surveillance, but not for any other purpose.
- e) **Validation.** The process of verifying the relative position of an intruder using passive information by comparing it to the relative position obtained by active interrogation.
- f) An ACAS equipped to receive extended squitter position reports for passive surveillance of non-threatening intruders shall utilize this passive position information in the following manner.

#### 23.4.15.6 PASSIVE SURVEILLANCE

- a) **Validation.** To validate the position of an intruder reported by extended squitter, ACAS shall determine the relative range and relative bearing as computed from the position and geographical heading of own aircraft and the intruder's position as reported in the extended squitter. This derived range and relative bearing and the altitude reported in the squitter shall be compared to the range, relative bearing and altitude determined by active ACAS interrogation of the aircraft. Differences between the derived and measured range and relative bearing and the squitter and reply altitude shall be computed and used in tests to determine whether the extended squitter data is valid. If these tests are satisfied the passive position shall be considered to be validated and the track shall be maintained on passive data unless it is a near threat as described in 4.5.1.4. If any of these validation tests fail, active surveillance shall be used to track the intruder.

*Note.— Suitable tests for validating extended squitter data information for the purposes of ACAS hybrid surveillance can be found in RTCA/DO-300.*

- b) **Supplementary active interrogations.** In order to ensure that an intruder's track is updated at least as frequently as required in the absence of extended squitter data, each time a track is updated using squitter information the time at which an active interrogation would next be required shall be calculated. An active interrogation shall be made at that time if a further squitter has not been received before the interrogation is due.
- c) **Near threat.** An intruder shall be tracked under active surveillance if it is a near threat,

as determined by separate tests on the range and altitude of the aircraft. These tests shall be such that an intruder is considered a near threat before it becomes a potential threat, and thus triggers a traffic advisory. These tests shall be performed once per second. All near threats, potential threats and threats shall be tracked using active surveillance.

*Note.— Suitable tests for determining that an intruder is a near threat can be found in RTCA/DO-300.*

- d) **Revalidation and monitoring.** If an aircraft is being tracked using passive surveillance, periodic active interrogations shall be performed to validate and monitor the extended squitter data. The default rates of revalidation shall be once per minute for a non-threat and once per 10 seconds for a near threat. The tests shall be performed for each interrogation, and active surveillance shall be used to track the intruder if these revalidation tests fail.
- e) **Full active surveillance.** If the following condition is met for a track being updated via passive surveillance data:
  - f) All near threats, potential threats and threats shall be tracked using active surveillance.
  - g) A track under active surveillance shall transition to passive surveillance if it is neither a near, potential threat nor a threat. The tests used to determine it is no longer a near threat shall be similar to those used in 23.4.5.1.(d) but with larger thresholds in order to have hysteresis which prevents the possibility of frequent transitions between active and passive surveillance.

*Note.— Suitable tests for determining that an intruder is no longer a near threat can be found in RTCA/DO-300.*

#### **23.4.15.7 ACAS OPERATION WITH AN IMPROVED RECEIVER MTL**

*Note.— Applications of extended squitter that are independent of ACAS might be implemented (for convenience) using the ACAS receiver. The use of an improved receiver minimum rigging level (MTL) will make it possible to receive extended squitters from ranges of up to 60 NM and beyond in support of such applications*

- h) An ACAS operating with a receiver having a MTL more sensitive than -74 dBm shall implement the capabilities specified in the following paragraphs.
- i) **Dual minimum triggering levels.** The ACAS receiver shall be capable of setting an indication for each squitter reception as to whether the reply would have been detected by an ACAS operating with a conventional MTL (- 74 dBm). Squitter receptions received at the conventional MTL shall be passed to the ACAS surveillance function for further processing. Squitter receptions that do not meet this condition shall be not be passed to the ACAS surveillance function.

*Note 1.— Extended squitters containing position report information will be disseminated for display in connection with an extended squitter application.*

*Note 2.— Use of the conventional MTL for the ACAS surveillance function preserves the current operation of ACAS surveillance when operating with a receiver with an improved MTL.*

- j) **Dual or re-triggerable reply processor.** The ACAS Mode S reply processing function shall:
- 1) use separate reply processors for Mode S reply formats received at or above the conventional MTL and a separate reply processor for Mode S reply formats received below the conventional MTL; or,
  - 2) use a Mode S reply processor that will re-trigger if it detects a Mode S preamble that is 2 to 3 dB stronger than the reply that is currently being processed.

*Note.— Care must be taken to ensure that low-level squitters (i.e. those below the conventional MTL) do not interfere with the processing of acquisition squitters for ACAS. This could happen if the low-level squitter is allowed to capture the reply processor. This can be prevented by using a separate reply processor for each function, or by requiring the reply processor to be re-triggered by a higher level squitter.*

#### **23.4.15.8 MODE EXTENDED SQUITTER**

*Note 1.— A functional model of Mode S extended squitter systems supporting ADS-B and/or TIS-B is depicted in Figure 5-1.*

*Note 2.— Airborne systems transmit ADS-B messages (ADS-B OUT) and may also receive ADS-B and TIS-B messages (ADS-B IN and TIS-B IN). Ground systems (i.e. ground stations) transmit TIS-B (as an option) and receive ADS-B messages.*

*Note 3.— Although not explicitly depicted in the functional model presented in Figure 5-1, extended squitter systems installed on aerodrome surface vehicles or fixed obstacles may transmit ADS-B messages (ADS-B OUT).*

#### **23.4.15.9 MODE S EXTENDED SQUITTER TRANSMITTING SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS**

*Note.— Many of the requirements associated with the transmission of Mode S extended squitter are included in Section 23.4.2 and 23.4.3 for Mode S transponder and non-transponder devices using the message formats defined in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871). The provisions presented within the following subsections are focused on requirements applicable to specific classes of airborne and ground transmitting systems that are supporting the applications of ADS-B and TIS-B.*

#### **23.4.15.10 ADS-B OUT REQUIREMENTS**

- a) Aircraft, surface vehicles and fixed obstacles supporting an ADS-B capability shall incorporate the ADS-B message generation function and the ADS-B message exchange function (transmit) as depicted in Figure 5-1.
- b) ADS-B transmissions from aircraft shall include position, aircraft identification and type, airborne velocity, periodic status and event driven messages including emergency/priority information.
- c) Extended squitter transmitting equipment shall use formats and protocols of the latest version available.

*Note 1.— The data formats and protocols for messages transferred via extended squitter are specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

*Note 2.— Some States and/or regions require extended squitter version 2 to be transmitted by specific dates.*

- d) **Extended squitter ADS-B transmission requirements.** Mode S extended squitter transmitting equipment shall be classified according to the unit's range capability and the set of parameters that it is capable of transmitting consistent with the following definition of general equipment classes and the specific equipment classes defined in Tables 5-1 and 5-2:
- 1) Class A extended squitter airborne systems support an interactive capability incorporating both an extended squitter transmission capability (i.e. ADS-B OUT) with a complementary extended squitter reception capability (i.e. ADS- B IN) in support of onboard ADS-B applications;
  - 2) Class B extended squitter systems provide a transmission only (i.e. ADS-B OUT without an extended squitter reception capability) for use on aircraft, surface vehicles, or fixed obstructions; and
  - 3) Class C extended squitter systems have only a reception capability and thus have no transmission requirements.
- e) **Class A extended squitter system requirements.** Class A extended squitter airborne systems shall have transmitting and receiving subsystem characteristics of the same class (i.e. A0, A1, A2, or A3).

*Note.— Class A transmitting and receiving subsystems of the same specific class (e.g. Class A2) are designed to complement each other with their functional and performance capabilities. The minimum air-to-air range that extended squitter transmitting and receiving systems of the same class are designed to support are:*

- a) A0-to-A0 nominal air-to-air range is 10 NM;
- b) A1-to-A1 nominal air-to-air range is 20 NM;
- c) A2-to-A2 nominal air-to-air range is 40 NM; and d) A3-to-A3 nominal air-to-air range is 90 NM.

*The above ranges are design objectives and the actual effective air-to-air range of the Class A extended squitter systems may be larger in some cases (e.g. in environments with low levels of 1 090 MHz fruit) and shorter in other cases (e.g. in environments with very high levels of 1 090 MHz fruit).*

#### **23.4.15.11 CONTROL OF ADS-B OUT OPERATION**

- f) Protection against reception of corrupted data from the source providing the position shall be satisfied by error detection on the data inputs and the appropriate maintenance of the installation.
- g) If an independent control of the ADS-B OUT function is provided, then the operational state

of the ADS-B OUT function shall be indicated to the flight crew, at all times.

*Note.— There is no requirement for an independent control for the ADS-B OUT function.*

#### **23.4.15.12 TIS-B OUT REQUIREMENTS**

- a) Ground stations supporting a TIS-B capability shall incorporate the TIS- B message generation function and the TIS-B message exchange function (transmit).
- b) The extended squitter messages for TIS-B shall be transmitted by an extended squitter ground station when connected to an appropriate source of surveillance data.

*Note 1.— Extended squitter messages for TIS-B are specified in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

*Note 2.— Ground stations supporting TIS-B use an extended squitter transmission capability. The characteristics of such ground stations, in terms of transmitter power, antenna gain, transmission rates, etc., are to be tailored to the desired TIS-B service volume of the specific ground station assuming airborne users are equipped with (at least) Class A1 receiving systems.*

- c) The maximum transmission rates and effective radiated power of the transmissions shall be controlled to avoid unacceptable levels of RF interference to other 1 090 MHz systems (i.e. SSR and ACAS).

#### **23.4.15.13 MODE S EXTENDED SQUITTER RECEIVING SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS (ADS-B IN AND TIS-B IN)**

*Note 1.— The paragraphs herein describe the required capabilities for 1 090 MHz receivers used for the reception of Mode S extended squitter transmissions that convey ADS-B and/or TIS-B messages. Airborne receiving systems support ADS- B and TIS-B reception while ground receiving systems support only ADS-B reception.*

*Note 2.— Detailed technical provisions for Mode S extended squitter receivers can be found within RTCA DO-260B/EUROCAE ED-102A, “Minimum Operational Performance Standards for 1 090 MHz Extended Squitter Automatic Dependent Surveillance – Broadcast (ADS-B) and Traffic Information Services – Broadcast (TIS B).”*

#### **23.4.15.14 MODE S EXTENDED SQUITTER RECEIVING SYSTEM FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- a) Mode S extended squitter receiving systems shall perform the message exchange function (receive) and the report assembler function.

*Note.— The extended squitter receiving system receives ADS-B Mode S extended squitter messages and outputs ADS-B reports to client applications. Airborne receiving systems also receive TIS-B extended squitter messages and output TIS-B reports to client applications. This functional model (shown in Figure 5-1) depicts both airborne and ground 1 090 MHz ADS-B receiving systems.*

- b) Mode S extended squitter receiver classes. The required functionality and performance characteristics for the Mode S extended squitter receiving system will vary depending on the ADS-B and TIS-B client applications to be supported and the operational use of the system. Airborne Mode S extended squitter receivers shall be consistent with the definition of receiving system classes shown in Table 5-3.

*Note.— Different equipment classes of Mode S extended squitter installations are possible. The characteristics of the receiver associated with a given equipment class are intended to be appropriate to support the required level of operational capability. Equipment classes A0 through A3 are applicable to those Mode S extended airborne installations that include a Mode S extended squitter transmission (ADS OUT) and reception (ADS-B IN) capability. Equipment classes B0 through B3 are applicable to Mode S extended installations with only a transmission (ADS-B OUT) capability and includes equipment classes applicable to airborne, surface vehicles and fixed obstructions. Equipment classes C1 through C3 are applicable to Mode S extended squitter ground receiving systems.*

#### 23.4.15.15 MESSAGE EXCHANGE FUNCTION

- a) The message exchange function shall include the 1 090 MHz receiving antenna and the radio equipment (receiver/demodulator/decoder/data buffer) sub-functions.
- b) **Message exchange functional characteristics.** The airborne Mode S extended squitter receiving system shall support the reception and decoding of all extended squitter messages as listed in Table 5-3. The ground ADS-B extended squitter receiving system shall, as a minimum, support the reception and decoding of all of the extended squitter message types that convey information needed to support the generation of the ADS-B reports of the types required by the client ATM ground applications.
- c) **Required message reception performance.** The airborne Mode S extended squitter receiver/demodulation/ decoder shall employ the reception techniques and have a receiver minimum trigger threshold level (MTL) as listed in Table 5-3 as a function of the airborne receiver class. The reception technique and MTL for extended squitter ground receiver shall be selected to provide the reception performance (i.e. range and update rates) as required by the client ATM ground applications.
- d) **Enhanced reception techniques.** Class A1, A2 and A3 airborne receiving systems shall include the following features to provide improved probability of Mode S extended squitter reception in the presence of multiple overlapping Mode A/C fruit and/or in the presence of an overlapping stronger Mode S fruit, as compared to the performance of the standard reception technique required for Class A0 airborne receiving systems:
- a) Improved Mode S extended squitter preamble detection.
  - b) Enhanced error detection and correction.
  - c) Enhanced bit and confidence declaration techniques applied to the airborne receiver classes as shown below:
    - 1) Class A1 — Performance equivalent to or better than the use of the “Centre Amplitude” technique.

- 2) Class A2 — Performance equivalent to or better than the use of the “Multiple Amplitude Samples” baseline technique, where at least 8 samples are taken for each Mode S bit position and are used in the decision process.
- 3) Class A3 — Performance equivalent to or better than the use of the “Multiple Amplitude Samples” baseline technique, where at least 10 samples are taken for each Mode S bit position and are used in the decision process.

*Note 1.— The above enhanced reception techniques are as defined in RTCA DO-260B/EUROCAE ED-102A, Appendix I.*

*Note 2.— The performance provided for each of the above enhanced reception techniques when used in a high fruit environment (i.e. with multiple overlapping Mode A/C fruit) is expected to be at least equivalent to that provided by the use of the techniques described in RTCA DO-260B/EUROCAE ED-102A, Appendix I.*

*Note 3.— It is considered appropriate for ground extended squitter receiving systems to employ the enhanced reception techniques equivalent to those specified for airborne Class A2 or A3 receiving systems.*

#### **23.4.15.16 REPORT ASSEMBLER FUNCTION**

- a) The report assembler function shall include the message decoding, report assembly, and output interface sub- functions.
- b) When an extended squitter message is received, the message shall be decoded and the applicable ADS-B report(s) of the types defined in this Sub Part shall be generated within 0.5 seconds.

*Note 1.— Two configurations of extended squitter airborne receiving systems, which include the reception portion of the ADS-B message exchange function and the ADS- B/TIS-B report assembly function, are allowed:*

- a) *Type I extended squitter receiving systems receive ADS-B and TIS-B messages and produce application-specific subsets of ADS-B and TIS-B reports. Type I extended squitter receiving systems are customized to the particular client applications using ADS-B and TIS-B reports. Type I extended squitter receiving systems may additionally be controlled by an external entity to produce installation-defined subsets of the reports that those systems are capable of producing.*
- b) *Type II extended squitter receiving systems receive ADS-B and TIS-B messages and are capable of producing complete ADS-B and TIS-B reports in accordance with the equipment class. Type II extended squitter receiving systems may be controlled by an external entity to produce installation-defined subsets of the reports that those systems are capable of producing.*

*Note 2.— Extended squitter ground receiving systems receive ADS-B messages and produce either application-specific subsets or complete ADS-B reports based on the needs of the ground service provider, including the client applications to be supported.*

*Note 3.— The extended squitter message reception function may be physically partitioned into hardware separate from those that implement the report assembly function.*



### 23.4.15.17 ADS-B REPORT TYPES

*Note 1.— The ADS-B report refers to the restructuring of ADS-B message data received from Mode S extended squitter broadcasts into various reports that can be used directly by a set of client applications. Five ADS-B report types are defined by the following subparagraphs for output to client applications. Additional information on the ADS-B report contents and the applicable mapping from extended squitter messages to ADS-B reports can be found in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871) and RTCA DO-260B / EUROCAE ED-102A.*

*Note 2.— The use of precision (e.g. GNSS UTC measured time) versus non-precision (e.g. internal receiving system clock) time sources as the basis for the reported time of applicability is described in 23.4.5.2.3.5.*

- a) **State vector report.** The state vector report shall contain time of applicability, information about an airborne or vehicle's current kinematic state (e.g. position, velocity), as well as a measure of the integrity of the navigation data, based on information received in airborne or ground position, airborne velocity, identification and category, aircraft operational status and target state and status extended squitter messages. Since separate messages are used for position and velocity, the time of applicability shall be reported individually for the position related report parameters and the velocity related report parameters. Also, the state vector report shall include a time of applicability for the estimated position and/or estimated velocity information (i.e. not based on a message with updated position or velocity information) when such estimated position and/or velocity information is included in the state vector report.

*Note.— Specific requirements for the customization of this type of report may vary according to the needs of the client applications of each participant (ground or airborne). The state vector data is the most dynamic of the four ADS-B reports; hence, the applications require frequent updates of the state vector to meet the required accuracy for the operational dynamics of the typical airborne or ground operations of airborne and surface vehicles.*

- b) **Mode status report.** The mode status report shall contain time of applicability and current operational information about the transmitting participant, including airborne/vehicle address, call sign, ADS-B version number, airborne/vehicle length and width information, state vector quality information, and other information based on information received in aircraft operational status, target state and status, aircraft identification and category, airborne velocity and aircraft status extended squitter messages. Each time that a mode status report is generated, the report assembler function shall update the report time of applicability. Parameters for which valid data is not available shall either be indicated as invalid or omitted from the mode status report.

*Note 1.— Specific requirements for the customization of this type of report may vary according to the needs of the client applications of each participant (ground or airborne).*

*Note 2.— The age of the information being reported within the various data elements of a mode status report may vary as a result of the information having been received within different extended squitter messages at different times.*

- c) **Air referenced velocity report.** Air referenced velocity reports shall be generated when air referenced velocity information is received in airborne velocity extended squitter messages. The air referenced velocity report shall contain time of applicability, airspeed and heading information. Only certain classes of extended squitter receiving systems, as defined in 23.4.5.2.3.5, are required to generate air referenced velocity reports. Each

time that an individual mode status report is generated, the report assembly function shall update the report time of applicability.

*Note 1.— The air referenced velocity report contains velocity information that is received in airborne velocity messages along with additional information received in airborne identification and category extended squitter messages. Air referenced velocity reports are not generated when ground referenced velocity information is being received in the airborne velocity extended squitter messages.*

*Note 2.— Specific requirements for the customization of this type of report may vary according to the needs of the client applications of each participant (ground or airborne).*

- d) **Resolution advisory (RA) report.** The RA report shall contain time of applicability and the contents of an active ACAS resolution advisory (RA) as received in a Type=28 and Subtype=2 extended squitter message.

*Note.— The RA report is only intended to be generated by ground receiving subsystems when supporting a ground ADS-B client application(s) requiring active RA information. An RA report will nominally be generated each time a Type=28, Subtype=2 extended squitter message is received.*

#### 23.4.15.18 TARGET STATE REPORT

*Note.— The target state report will be generated when information is received in target state and status messages, along with additional information received in airborne identification and category extended squitter messages. The target state and status message is defined in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871). Specific requirements for the customization of this type of report may vary according to the needs of the client applications of each participant (ground or airborne).*

#### 23.4.15.19 TIS-B REPORT TYPES

- a) As TIS-B messages are received by airborne receiving systems, the information shall be reported to client applications. Each time that an individual TIS-B report is generated, the report assembly function shall update the report time of applicability to the current time.

*Note 1.— The TIS-B message formats are defined in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

*Note 2.— The TIS-B report refers to the restructuring of TIS-B message data received from ground Mode S extended squitter broadcasts into reports that can be used by a set of client applications. Two ADS-B report types are defined by the following subparagraphs for output to client applications. Additional information on the TIS-B report contents and the applicable mapping from extended squitter messages to ADS-B reports can be found in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871).*

*Note 3.— The use of precision (e.g. GNSS UTC measured time) versus non-precision (e.g. internal receiving system clock) time sources as the basis for the reported time of applicability.*

- b) **TIS-B target report.** All received information elements, other than position, shall be

reported directly, including all reserved fields for the TIS-B fine format messages and the entire message content of any received TIS-B management message. The reporting format is not specified in detail, except that the information content reported shall be the same as the information content received.

- c) When a TIS-B position message is received, it is compared with tracks to determine whether it can be decoded into target position (i.e. correlated to an existing track). If the message is decoded into target position, a report shall be generated within 0.5 seconds. The report shall contain the received position information with a time of applicability, the most recently received velocity measurement with a time of applicability, the estimated position and velocity applicable to a common time of applicability, airborne/vehicle address, and all other information in the received message. The estimated values shall be based on the received position information and the track history of the target.
- d) When a TIS-B velocity message is received, if it is correlated to a complete track, a report shall be generated, within 0.5 seconds of the message reception.
- e) The report shall contain the received velocity information with a time of applicability, the estimated position and velocity applicable to a common time of applicability, airborne/vehicle address, and all other information in the received message. The estimated values shall be based on the received ground reference velocity information and the track history of the target.
- f) **TIS-B management report.** The entire message content of any received TIS-B management message shall be reported directly to the client applications. The information content reported shall be the same as the information content received.
- g) The contents of any received TIS-B management message shall be reported bit-for-bit to the client applications.

#### 23.4.15.20 REPORT TIME OF APPLICABILITY

- a) The receiving system shall use a local source of reference time as the basis for reporting the time of applicability, as defined for each specific ADS-B and TIS-B report type.
- b) **Precision time reference.** Receiving systems intended to generate ADS-B and/or TIS-B reports based on the reception of surface position messages, airborne position messages, and/or TIS-B messages shall use GNSS UTC measured time for the purpose of generating the report time applicability for the following cases of received messages:
  - 1) version zero (0) ADS-B messages, as defined in Sub Part 23.4, when the navigation uncertainty category (NUC) is 8 or 9; or
  - 2) version one (1) or version two (2) ADS-B or TIS-B messages when the navigation integrity category (NIC) is 10 or 11;
- c) UTC measured time data shall have a minimum range of 300 seconds and a resolution of 0.0078125 (1/128) seconds.

#### 23.4.15.21 NON-PRECISION LOCAL TIME REFERENCE

- a) For receiving systems not intended to generate ADS-B and/or TIS-B reports based on reception of ADS-B or TIS-B messages meeting the NUC or NIC criteria, a non-precision

time source shall be allowed. In such cases, where there is no appropriate precision time source available, the receiving system shall establish an appropriate internal clock or counter having a maximum clock cycle or count time of 20 milliseconds. The established cycle or clock count shall have a minimum range of 300 seconds and a resolution of 0.0078125 (1/128) seconds.

*Note.— The use of a non-precision time reference as described above is intended to allow the report time of applicability to accurately reflect the time intervals applicable to reports within a sequence. For example the applicable time interval between state vector reports could be accurately determined by a client application, even though the absolute time (e.g. UTC measured time) would not be indicated by the report.*

#### 23.4.15.22 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

- a) **Reporting requirements for Type I Mode S extended squitter airborne receiving systems.** As a minimum, the report assembler function associated with Type I Mode S extended squitter receiving systems, as defined in 5.2.3, shall support that subset of ADS-B and TIS-B reports and report parameters, that are required by the specific client applications being served by that receiving system.
- b) **Reporting requirements for Type II Mode S extended squitter airborne receiving systems.** The report assembler function associated with Type II receiving systems shall generate ADS-B and TIS-B reports according to the class of the receiving system as shown in Table 5-4 when the prerequisite ADS-B and/or TIS-B messages are being received.
- c) **Reporting requirements for Mode S extended squitter ground receiving systems.** As a minimum, the report assembler function associated with Mode S extended squitter ground receiving systems shall support that subset of ADS-B reports and report parameters that are required by the specific client applications being served by that receiving system.

#### 23.4.15.23 INTEROPERABILITY

- d) The Mode S extended squitter receiving system shall provide interoperability between the different versions of extended squitter ADS-B message formats.

*Note 1.— All defined ADS-B versions and their corresponding message formats are contained in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and Extended Squitter (Doc 9871) and are identified by a version number.*

*Note 2.— ADS-B message formats are defined with backward compatibility with previous versions. An extended squitter receiver can recognize and decode signals of its own version, as well as the message formats from lower versions. The receiver, however, can decode the portion of messages received from a higher version transponder according to its own capability.*

#### 23.4.15.24 INITIAL MESSAGE DECODING

The Mode S extended squitter receiving system shall, upon acquiring a new ADS-B target, initially apply the decoding provisions applicable to version 0 (zero) ADS B messages until or unless an aircraft operational status message is received indicating that a higher

version message format is in use.

**23.4.15.25 APPLYING VERSION NUMBER**

The Mode S extended squitter receiving system shall decode the version number information conveyed in the aircraft operational status message and shall apply the corresponding decoding rules for the reported version, up to the highest version supported by the receiving system, for the decoding of the subsequent extended squitter ADS-B messages from that specific aircraft or vehicle.

**23.4.15.26 HANDLING OF RESERVED MESSAGE SUBFIELDS**

The Mode S extended squitter receiving system shall ignore the contents of any message subfield defined as reserved.

*Note.— This provision supports interoperability between message versions by allowing the definition of additional parameters that will be ignored by earlier receiver versions and correctly decoded by newer receiver versions.*

**23.4.15.27 TABLES FOR SUBPART**

**Table 5-1. ADS-B Class A equipment characteristics**

<i>Equipment class</i>	<i>Minimum transmit power (at</i>	<i>Maximum transmit power (at</i>	<i>Airborne</i>	<i>Minimum extended squitter message capability required (see Note</i>
A0 (Minimum)	18.5 dBW (see Note 1)	27 dBW	Airborne	Airborne position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
			Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
A1 (Basic)	21 dBW	27 dBW	Airborne	Airborne position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
			Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft

				operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
A2 (Enhanced)	21 dBW	27 dBW	Airborne	Airborne position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status Target state and
			Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
A3 (Extended)	23 dBW	27 dBW	Airborne	Airborne position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status Target state and
			Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
<p><i>Note 1.— See Section 23.4. 3.1.2.10.2 for restrictions on the use of this category of Mode S transponder.</i></p> <p><i>Note 2.— The extended squitter messages applicable to Class A equipment are defined in the Technical Provisions for Mode S Services and</i></p>				

**Table 5-2. ADS-B Class B equipment characteristics**

<i>Equipment class</i>	<i>Minimum transmit power (at</i>	<i>Maximum transmit power (at</i>	<i>Airborne or</i>	<i>Minimum extended squitter message capability</i>
B0 (Airborne)	18.5 dBW (see Note 1)	27 dBW	Airborne	Airborne position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
			Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
B1 (Airborne)	21 dBW	27 dBW	Airborne	Airborne position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
			Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status Extended squitter aircraft status
B2 Low (Ground Vehicle)	8.5 dBW	< 18.5 dBW (see Note 2)	Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status
B2 (Ground Vehicle)	18.5 dBW	27 dBW (see Note 2)	Surface	Surface position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status
B3 (Fixed Obstacle)	18.5 dBW	27 dBW (see Note 2)	Airborne (see Note 3)	Airborne position Aircraft identification and category Aircraft operational status

*Note 1.— See Section 23.4.3.1.2. for restrictions on the use of this category of Mode S transponder. Note 2.— The appropriate ATS authority is expected to get the maximum power level permitted.*

**Table 5-3. Reception performance for airborne receiving systems**

<i>Receiver</i>	<i>Intended air-to-air operational range</i>	<i>Receiver minimum trigger threshold level (MTL)</i>	<i>Reception Technique (see Note</i>	<i>Required extended squitter ADS-B message support</i>	<i>Required extended squitter</i>
A0 (Basic VFR)	10 NM	-72 dBm	Standard	Airborne position Surface position Airborne velocity Aircraft identification and	Fine airborne position Coarse airborne position Fine surface position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity
A1 (Basic IFR)	20 NM	-79 dBm	Enhanced	Airborne position Surface position Airborne velocity Aircraft identification and	Fine airborne position Coarse airborne position Fine surface position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity
A2 (Enhanced IFR)	40 NM	-79 dBm	Enhanced	Airborne position Surface position Airborne velocity Aircraft identification and	Fine airborne position Coarse airborne position Fine surface position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity
A3 (Extended capability)	90 NM	-84 dBm (and -87 dBm at 15% probability of reception)	Enhanced	Airborne position Surface position Airborne velocity Aircraft identification and	Fine airborne position Coarse airborne position Fine surface position Aircraft identification and category Airborne velocity

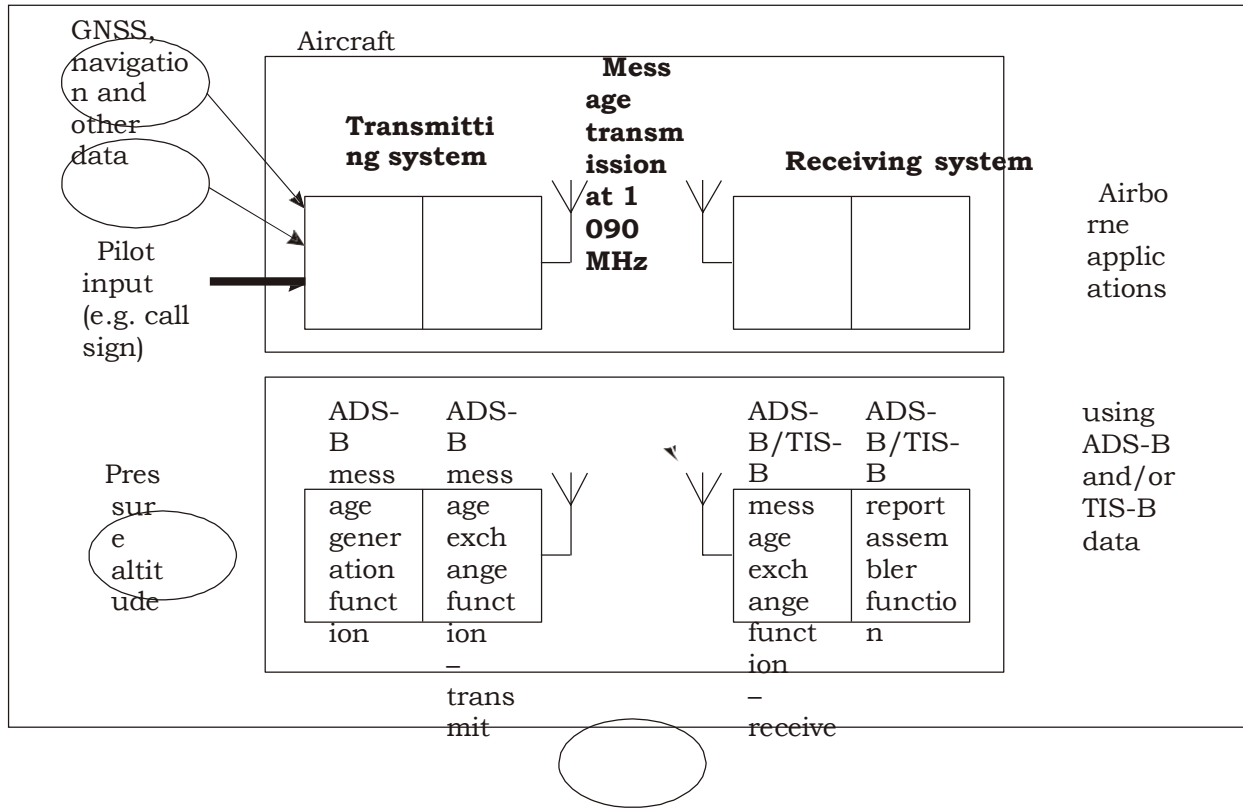


*Note 1.— Specific MTL is referenced to the signal level at the output terminal of the antenna, assuming a passive antenna. If electronic amplification is integrated into the antenna assembly, then the MTL is referenced at the input to the amplifier. For Class A3 receivers, a second performance level is defined at a received signal level of -87 dBm where 15 per cent of the messages are to be successfully received. MTL values refer to reception under non- interference conditions.*

*Note 2.— The extended squitter receiver reception techniques are defined in 5.2.2.4. “Standard” reception techniques refer to the baseline techniques, as required for ACAS 1 090 MHz receivers that are intended to handle single overlapping Mode A/C fruit. “Enhanced” reception techniques refer to techniques intended to provide improved reception performance in the presence of multiple overlapping Mode A/C fruit and improved decoder re- triggering in the presence of overlapping stronger Mode S fruit. The requirements for the enhanced reception techniques that are applicable to the specific airborne receiver classes are defined in*

**Table 5-4. Mode S extended squitter airborne receiving system reporting requirements**

<i>Receiver class</i>	<i>Minimum ADS-B reporting requirements</i>	<i>Minimum TIS-B reporting</i>
A0 (Basic VFR)	ADS-B state vector report (per 5.2.3.3.1) and ADS-B mode status report (per 5.2.3.3.2)	TIS-B state report and TIS-B management report
A1 (Basic IFR)	ADS-B state vector report (per 5.2.3.3.1) and ADS-B mode status report (per 5.2.3.3.2) and ADS-B air referenced velocity report (ARV) (per	TIS-B state report and TIS-B management report
A2 (Enhanced IFR)	ADS-B state vector report (per 5.2.3.3.1) and ADS-B mode status report (per 5.2.3.3.2) and ADS-B ARV report (per 5.2.3.3.3) and ADS-B target state report (per 5.2.3.3.5)	TIS-B state report and TIS-B management report
A3 (Extended capability)	ADS-B state vector report (per 5.2.3.3.1) and ADS-B mode status report (per 5.2.3.3.2) and ADS-B ARV report (per 5.2.3.3.3) and ADS-B target state report (per 5.2.3.3.5)	TIS-B state report and TIS-B management report



Ground

**Transmitting system**

Surveillance data (e.g. from SSR)	TIS-B message generation function	TIS-B message exchange function
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**Receiving system**

ADS-B message exchange function	ADS-B report assembler function	Ground applications using ADS-B data
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#### 23.4.15.28 MULTILATERATION SYSTEMS

*Note 1.— Multilateration (MLAT) systems use the time difference of arrival (TDOA) of the transmissions of an SSR transponder (or the extended squitter transmissions of a non-transponder device) between several ground receivers to determine the position of the aircraft (or ground vehicle). A multilateration system can be:*

- a) passive, using transponder replies to other interrogations or spontaneous squitter transmissions;*
- b) active, in which case the system itself interrogates aircraft in the coverage area;  
or*
- c) a combination of a) and b).*

*Note 2.— Material contained in EUROCAE ED-117 – MOPS for Mode S Multilateration Systems for Use in A-SMGCS and ED-142 – Technical Specifications for Wide Area Multilateration System (WAM) provides a good basis for planning, implementation and satisfactory operation of MLAT systems for most applications.*

#### 23.4.15.29 DEFINITIONS

- a) *Multilateration (MLAT) System.*** A group of equipment configured to provide position derived from the secondary surveillance radar (SSR) transponder signals (replies or squitters) primarily using time difference of arrival (TDOA) techniques. Additional information, including identification, can be extracted from the received signals.
- b) *Time Difference of Arrival (TDOA).*** The difference in relative time that a transponder signal from the same aircraft (or ground vehicle) is received at different receivers.

#### 23.4.15.30 FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- a) Radio frequency characteristics, structure and data contents of signals used in 1 090 MHz MLAT systems shall conform to the provisions of Section 23.4.3.
- b) An MLAT system used for air traffic surveillance shall be capable of determining aircraft position and identity.

*Note 1.— Depending on the application, either two- or three- dimensional position of the aircraft may be required. Note 2.—Aircraft identity may be determined from:*

- 1) Mode A code contained in Mode A or Mode S replies; or*
- 2) Aircraft identification contained in Mode S replies or extended squitter identity and category message.*

*Note 3.— Other aircraft information can be obtained by analysing transmissions of opportunity (i.e. squitters or replies to other ground interrogations) or by direct interrogation by the MLAT system.*

- c) Where an MLAT system is equipped to decode additional position information contained in

transmissions, it shall report such information separately from the aircraft position calculated based on TDOA.

#### **23.4.15.31 PROTECTION OF THE RADIO FREQUENCY ENVIRONMENT**

*Note.— This section only applies to active MLAT systems.*

- a) In order to minimize system interferences the effective radiated power of active interrogators shall be reduced to the lowest value consistent with the operationally required range of each individual interrogator site.

*Note.— Guidance material on power consideration is contained in the Aeronautical Surveillance Manual (Doc 9924).*

- b) An active MLAT system shall not use active interrogations to obtain information that can be obtained by passive reception within each required update period.

*Note.— Transponder occupancy will be increased by the use of omnidirectional antennas. It is particularly significant for Mode S selective interrogations because of their higher transmission rate. All Mode S transponders will be occupied decoding each selective interrogation not just the addressed transponder.*

- c) An active MLAT system consisting of a set of transmitters shall be considered as a single Mode S interrogator.
- d) The set of transmitters used by all active MLAT systems in any part of the airspace shall not cause any transponder to be impacted such that its occupancy, because of the aggregate of all MLAT 1 030 MHz interrogations, is greater than 2 per cent at any time.

*Note 1.— This represents a minimum requirement. Some regions may impose stricter requirements.*

*Note 2.— For an MLAT system using only Mode S interrogations, 2 per cent is equivalent to no more than 400 Mode S interrogations per second received by any aircraft from all systems using MLAT technology.*

- e) Active MLAT systems shall not use Mode S All-Call interrogations.

*Note.— Mode S aircraft can be acquired by the reception of acquisition squitter or extended squitter even in airspace where there are no active interrogators.*

#### **23.4.15.32 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- a) The performance characteristics of the MLAT system used for air traffic surveillance shall be such that the intended operational service(s) can be satisfactorily supported.

#### **23.4.15.33 TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AIRBORNE SURVEILLANCE APPLICATIONS**

*Note 1.— Airborne surveillance applications are based on aircraft receiving and using ADS-B message information transmitted by other aircraft/vehicles or ground stations. The capability of an aircraft to receive and use ADS-B/TIS-B message information is referred to*

as ADS-B/TIS-B IN.

*Note 2.— Initial airborne surveillance applications use ADS-B messages on 1 090 MHz extended squitter to provide airborne traffic situational awareness (ATSA) and are expected to include “In-trail procedures” and “Enhanced visual separation on approach”.*

*Note 3.— Detailed description of aforementioned applications can be found in RTCA/DO-289 and DO-312.*

#### **23.4.16 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

##### **23.4.16.1 TRAFFIC DATA FUNCTIONS**

*Note.— The aircraft transmitting ADS-B messages used by other aircraft for airborne surveillance applications is referred to as the reference aircraft.*

##### **23.4.17 IDENTIFYING THE REFERENCE AIRCRAFT**

The system shall support a function to identify unambiguously each reference aircraft relevant to the application.

##### **23.4.18 TRACKING THE REFERENCE AIRCRAFT**

The system shall support a function to monitor the movements and behavior of each reference aircraft relevant to the application.

##### **23.4.19 TRAJECTORY OF THE REFERENCE AIRCRAFT**

The system shall support a computational function to predict the future position of a reference aircraft beyond simple extrapolation.

*Note.— It is anticipated that this function will be required for future applications.*

##### **23.4.20 DISPLAYING TRAFFIC**

*Note.— Provisions contained in this section apply to cases wherein tracks generated by ACAS and by reception of ADS-B/TIS-B IN messages are shown on a single display.*

a) The system shall display only one track for each distinct aircraft on a given display.

*Note.— This is to ensure that tracks established by ACAS and ADS- B/TIS-B IN are properly correlated and mutually validated before being displayed.*

b) Where a track generated by ADS-B/TIS-B IN and a track generated by ACAS have been determined to belong to the same aircraft, the track generated by ADS-B/TIS-B IN shall be displayed.

*Note.— At close distances, it is possible that the track generated by ACAS provides better accuracy than the track generated by ADS- B/TIS-B IN. The requirement above ensures the continuity of the display.*

c) The display of the tracks shall comply with the requirements of ACAS traffic display.

*Note.— 23.4.4.3 addresses colour coding and readability of the display.*

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## PART 23 SUBPART 4 – IMPLEMENTING STANDARDS

*For ease of reference, the number assigned to each implementing standard corresponds to its associated regulation. For example, IS 23.4.1 would reflect a standard required in subsection 23.4.1*



**IS: 23.4. SSR AUTOMATIC PRESSURE-ALTITUDE TRANSMISSION CODE (PULSE POSITION ASSIGNMENT)**

RANGE	PULSE POSITIONS <i>(0 or 1 in a pulse position denotes absence or presence of a</i>											
	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
B1 000 to B950	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
B950 to B850	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
B850 to B750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
B750 to B650	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
B650 to B550	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
B550 to B450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
B450 to B350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
B350 to B250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
B250 to B150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
B150 to B50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
B50 to 50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
50 to 150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
150 to 250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
250 to 350	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
350 to 450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
450 to 550	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
550 to 650	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
650 to 750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
750 to 850	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
850 to 950	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
950 to 1 050	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
1 050 to 1 150	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
1 150 to 1 250	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
1 250 to 1 350	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
1 350 to 1 450	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
1 450 to 1 550	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
1 550 to 1 650	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
1 650 to 1 750	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
1 750 to 1 850	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
1 850 to 1 950	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
1 950 to 2 050	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
2 050 to 2 150	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
2 150 to 2 250	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
2 250 to 2 350	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
2 350 to 2 450	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
2 450 to 2 550	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
2 550 to 2 650	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
2 650 to 2 750	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1



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**SURVEILLANCE RADAR AND COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEMS**

RANGE	PULSE POSITIONS <i>(0 or 1 in a pulse position denotes absence or presence of a</i>											
	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
2 750 to 2 850	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
2 850 to 2 950	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
2 950 to 3 050	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
3 050 to 3 150	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
3 150 to 3 250	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
3 250 to 3 350	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
3 350 to 3 450	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
3 450 to 3 550	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
3 550 to 3 650	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
3 650 to 3 750	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
3 750 to 3 850	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
3 850 to 3 950	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
3 950 to 4 050	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
4 050 to 4 150	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
4 150 to 4 250	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0
4 250 to 4 350	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
4 350 to 4 450	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
4 450 to 4 550	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
4 550 to 4 650	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
4 650 to 4 750	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
4 750 to 4 850	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
4 850 to 4 950	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
4 950 to 5 050	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
5 050 to 5 150	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
5 150 to 5 250	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
5 250 to 5 350	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
5 350 to 5 450	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
5 450 to 5 550	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
5 550 to 5 650	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
5 650 to 5 750	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
5 750 to 5 850	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
5 850 to 5 950	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
5 950 to 6 050	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
6 050 to 6 150	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
6 150 to 6 250	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
6 250 to 6 350	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
6 350 to 6 450	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
6 450 to 6 550	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
6 550 to 6 650	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
6 650 to 6 750	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
6 750 to 6 850	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
6 850 to 6 950	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
6 950 to 7 050	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
7 050 to 7 150	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
7 150 to 7 250	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0



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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
7 250 to 7 350	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
7 350 to 7 450	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
7 450 to 7 550	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
7 550 to 7 650	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
7 650 to 7 750	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
7 750 to 7 850	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
7 850 to 7 950	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
7 950 to 8 050	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
8 050 to 8 150	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
8 150 to 8 250	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
8 250 to 8 350	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
8 350 to 8 450	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
8 450 to 8 550	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
8 550 to 8 650	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
8 650 to 8 750	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
8 750 to 8 850	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
8 850 to 8 950	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
8 950 to 9 050	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
9 050 to 9 150	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
9 150 to 9 250	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
9 250 to 9 350	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
9 350 to 9 450	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
9 450 to 9 550	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
9 550 to 9 650	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
9 650 to 9 750	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
9 750 to 9 850	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
9 850 to 9 950	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
9 950 to 10 050	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
10 050 to 10 150	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
10 150 to 10 250	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
10 250 to 10 350	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
10 350 to 10 450	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
10 450 to 10 550	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
10 550 to 10 650	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
10 650 to 10 750	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
10 750 to 10 850	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
10 850 to 10 950	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
10 950 to 11 050	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
11 050 to 11 150	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
11 150 to 11 250	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
11 250 to 11 350	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
11 350 to 11 450	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
11 450 to 11 550	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
11 550 to 11 650	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
11 650 to 11 750	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1



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			D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
Increments (Feet)													
11 750	to	11	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
11 850	to	11	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
11 950	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
12 050	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
12 150	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
12 250	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
12 350	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
12 450	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
12 550	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
12 650	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
12 750	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
12 850	to	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
12 950	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
13 050	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
13 150	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
13 250	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
13 350	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
13 450	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
13 550	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
13 650	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
13 750	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
13 850	to	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
13 950	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
14 050	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
14 150	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
14 250	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
14 350	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
14 450	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
14 550	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
14 650	to	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
14 750	to	14	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
14 850	to	14	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
14 950	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
15 050	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
15 150	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
15 250	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
15 350	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
15 450	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
15 550	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
15 650	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
15 750	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
15 850	to	15	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
15 950	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
16 050	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
16 150	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0



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	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>			D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
16 250	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
16 350	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
16 450	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
16 550	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
16 650	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
16 750	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
16 850	to	16	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
16 950	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
17 050	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
17 150	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
17 250	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
17 350	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
17 450	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
17 550	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
17 650	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
17 750	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
17 850	to	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
17 950	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
18 050	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
18 150	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
18 250	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
18 350	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
18 450	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
18 550	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
18 650	to	18	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
18 750	to	18	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
18 850	to	18	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
18 950	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
19 050	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
19 150	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
19 250	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
19 350	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
19 450	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
19 550	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
19 650	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
19 750	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
19 850	to	19	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
19 950	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
20 050	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
20 150	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
20 250	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
20 350	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
20 450	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
20 550	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
20 650	to	20	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1



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Incremen ts <i>(Feet)</i>	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4	
20 750 to 20	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	
20 850 to 20	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	
20 950 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	
21 050 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	
21 150 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	
21 250 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	
21 350 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	
21 450 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	
21 550 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	
21 650 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	
21 750 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	
21 850 to 21	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	
21 950 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	
22 050 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	
22 150 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	
22 250 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	
22 350 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	
22 450 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	
22 550 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	
22 650 to 22	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
22 750 to 22	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
22 850 to 22	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	
22 950 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	
23 050 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	
23 150 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	
23 250 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	
23 350 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	
23 450 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	
23 550 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	
23 650 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	
23 750 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	
23 850 to 23	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	
23 950 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	
24 050 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	
24 150 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	
24 250 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	
24 350 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	
24 450 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	
24 550 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	
24 650 to 24	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	



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Increments <i>(Feet)</i>			D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
25 250	to	25	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
25 350	to	25	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
25 450	to	25	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
25 550	to	25	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
25 650	to	25	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
25 750	to	25	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
25 850	to	25	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
25 950	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
26 050	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
26 150	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
26 250	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
26 350	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
26 450	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
26 550	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
26 650	to	26	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
26 750	to	26	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
26 850	to	26	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
26 950	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
27 050	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
27 150	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
27 250	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
27 350	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
27 450	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
27 550	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
27 650	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
27 750	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
27 850	to	27	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
27 950	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
28 050	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
28 150	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
28 250	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
28 350	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
28 450	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
28 550	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
28 650	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
28 750	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
28 850	to	28	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
28 950	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
29 050	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
29 150	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
29 250	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
29 350	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
29 450	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
29 550	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1



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29 650	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
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	Increments (Feet)			D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
29 750	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
29 850	to	29	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
29 950	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
30 050	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
30 150	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
30 250	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
30 350	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
30 450	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
30 550	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
30 650	to	30	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
30 750	to	30	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
30 850	to	30	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
30 950	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
31 050	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
31 150	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
31 250	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
31 350	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
31 450	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
31 550	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
31 650	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
31 750	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
31 850	to	31	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
31 950	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
32 050	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
32 150	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
32 250	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
32 350	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
32 450	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
32 550	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
32 650	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
32 750	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
32 850	to	32	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
32 950	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
33 050	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
33 150	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
33 250	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
33 350	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
33 450	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
33 550	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
33 650	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
33 750	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
33 850	to	33	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
33 950	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
34 050	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0



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34 150	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
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	Increments (Feet)			D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
34 250	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
34 350	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
34 450	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
34 550	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
34 650	to	34	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
34 750	to	34	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
34 850	to	34	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
34 950	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
35 050	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
35 150	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
35 250	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
35 350	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
35 450	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
35 550	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
35 650	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
35 750	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
35 850	to	35	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
35 950	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
36 050	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
36 150	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
36 250	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
36 350	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
36 450	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
36 550	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
36 650	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
36 750	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
36 850	to	36	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
36 950	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
37 050	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
37 150	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
37 250	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
37 350	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
37 450	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
37 550	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
37 650	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
37 750	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
37 850	to	37	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
37 950	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
38 050	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
38 150	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
38 250	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
38 350	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
38 450	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
38 550	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
38 650	to	38	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1



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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
38 750 to 38 850	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
38 850 to 38 950	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
38 950 to 39 050	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
39 050 to 39 150	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
39 150 to 39 250	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
39 250 to 39 350	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
39 350 to 39 450	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
39 450 to 39 550	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
39 550 to 39 650	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
39 650 to 39 750	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
39 750 to 39 850	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
39 850 to 39 950	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
39 950 to 40 050	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
40 050 to 40 150	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
40 150 to 40 250	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
40 250 to 40 350	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
40 350 to 40 450	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
40 450 to 40 550	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
40 550 to 40 650	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
40 650 to 40 750	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
40 750 to 40 850	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
40 850 to 40 950	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
40 950 to 41 050	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
41 050 to 41 150	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
41 150 to 41 250	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
41 250 to 41 350	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
41 350 to 41 450	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
41 450 to 41 550	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
41 550 to 41 650	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
41 650 to 41 750	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
41 750 to 41 850	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
41 850 to 41 950	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
41 950 to 42 050	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
42 050 to 42 150	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
42 150 to 42 250	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
42 250 to 42 350	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
42 350 to 42 450	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
42 450 to 42 550	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
42 550 to 42 650	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
42 650 to 42 750	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
42 750 to 42 850	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
42 850 to 42 950	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
42 950 to 43 050	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
43 050 to 43 150	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
43 150 to 43 250	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0



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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
43 250 to 43 350	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
43 350 to 43 450	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
43 450 to 43 550	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
43 550 to 43 650	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
43 650 to 43 750	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
43 750 to 43 850	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
43 850 to 43 950	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
43 950 to 44 050	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
44 050 to 44 150	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
44 150 to 44 250	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
44 250 to 44 350	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
44 350 to 44 450	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
44 450 to 44 550	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
44 550 to 44 650	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
44 650 to 44 750	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
44 750 to 44 850	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
44 850 to 44 950	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
44 950 to 45 050	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
45 050 to 45 150	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
45 150 to 45 250	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
45 250 to 45 350	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
45 350 to 45 450	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
45 450 to 45 550	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
45 550 to 45 650	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
45 650 to 45 750	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
45 750 to 45 850	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
45 850 to 45 950	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
45 950 to 46 050	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
46 050 to 46 150	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
46 150 to 46 250	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
46 250 to 46 350	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
46 350 to 46 450	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
46 450 to 46 550	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
46 550 to 46 650	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
46 650 to 46 750	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
46 750 to 46 850	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
46 850 to 46 950	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
46 950 to 47 050	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
47 050 to 47 150	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
47 150 to 47 250	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
47 250 to 47 350	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
47 350 to 47 450	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
47 450 to 47 550	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
47 550 to 47 650	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
47 650 to 47 750	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1



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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
47 750 to 47 850	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
47 850 to 47 950	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
47 950 to 48 050	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
48 050 to 48 150	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
48 150 to 48 250	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
48 250 to 48 350	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
48 350 to 48 450	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
48 450 to 48 550	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
48 550 to 48 650	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
48 650 to 48 750	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
48 750 to 48 850	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
48 850 to 48 950	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
48 950 to 49 050	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
49 050 to 49 150	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
49 150 to 49 250	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
49 250 to 49 350	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
49 350 to 49 450	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
49 450 to 49 550	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
49 550 to 49 650	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
49 650 to 49 750	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
49 750 to 49 850	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
49 850 to 49 950	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
49 950 to 50 050	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
50 050 to 50 150	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
50 150 to 50 250	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
50 250 to 50 350	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
50 350 to 50 450	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
50 450 to 50 550	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
50 550 to 50 650	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
50 650 to 50 750	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
50 750 to 50 850	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
50 850 to 50 950	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
50 950 to 51 050	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
51 050 to 51 150	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
51 150 to 51 250	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
51 250 to 51 350	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
51 350 to 51 450	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
51 450 to 51 550	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
51 550 to 51 650	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
51 650 to 51 750	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
51 750 to 51 850	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
51 850 to 51 950	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
51 950 to 52 050	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
52 050 to 52 150	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0



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52 150	to	52 250	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
52 250 to 52 350	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
52 350 to 52 450	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
52 450 to 52 550	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
52 550 to 52 650	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
52 650 to 52 750	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
52 750 to 52 850	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
52 850 to 52 950	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
52 950 to 53 050	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
53 050 to 53 150	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
53 150 to 53 250	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
53 250 to 53 350	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
53 350 to 53 450	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
53 450 to 53 550	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
53 550 to 53 650	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
53 650 to 53 750	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
53 750 to 53 850	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
53 850 to 53 950	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
53 950 to 54 050	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
54 050 to 54 150	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
54 150 to 54 250	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
54 250 to 54 350	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
54 350 to 54 450	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
54 450 to 54 550	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
54 550 to 54 650	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
54 650 to 54 750	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
54 750 to 54 850	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
54 850 to 54 950	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
54 950 to 55 050	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
55 050 to 55 150	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
55 150 to 55 250	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
55 250 to 55 350	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
55 350 to 55 450	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
55 450 to 55 550	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
55 550 to 55 650	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
55 650 to 55 750	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
55 750 to 55 850	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
55 850 to 55 950	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
55 950 to 56 050	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
56 050 to 56 150	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
56 150 to 56 250	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
56 250 to 56 350	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
56 350 to 56 450	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
56 450 to 56 550	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
56 550 to 56 650	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1





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56 650	to	56 750	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
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	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
56 750 to 56 850	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
56 850 to 56 950	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
56 950 to 57 050	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
57 050 to 57 150	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
57 150 to 57 250	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
57 250 to 57 350	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
57 350 to 57 450	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
57 450 to 57 550	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
57 550 to 57 650	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
57 650 to 57 750	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
57 750 to 57 850	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
57 850 to 57 950	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
57 950 to 58 050	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
58 050 to 58 150	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
58 150 to 58 250	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
58 250 to 58 350	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
58 350 to 58 450	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
58 450 to 58 550	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
58 550 to 58 650	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
58 650 to 58 750	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
58 750 to 58 850	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
58 850 to 58 950	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
58 950 to 59 050	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
59 050 to 59 150	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
59 150 to 59 250	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
59 250 to 59 350	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
59 350 to 59 450	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
59 450 to 59 550	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
59 550 to 59 650	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
59 650 to 59 750	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
59 750 to 59 850	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
59 850 to 59 950	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
59 950 to 60 050	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
60 050 to 60 150	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
60 150 to 60 250	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
60 250 to 60 350	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
60 350 to 60 450	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
60 450 to 60 550	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
60 550 to 60 650	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
60 650 to 60 750	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
60 750 to 60 850	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
60 850 to 60 950	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
60 950 to 61 050	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
61 050 to 61 150	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
61 150 to 61 250	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0



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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
61 250 to 61 350	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
61 350 to 61 450	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
61 450 to 61 550	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
61 550 to 61 650	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
61 650 to 61 750	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
61 750 to 61 850	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
61 850 to 61 950	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
61 950 to 62 050	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
62 050 to 62 150	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
62 150 to 62 250	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
62 250 to 62 350	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
62 350 to 62 450	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
62 450 to 62 550	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
62 550 to 62 650	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
62 650 to 62 750	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
62 750 to 62 850	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
62 850 to 62 950	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
62 950 to 63 050	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
63 050 to 63 150	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
63 150 to 63 250	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
63 250 to 63 350	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
63 350 to 63 450	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
63 450 to 63 550	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
63 550 to 63 650	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
63 650 to 63 750	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
63 750 to 63 850	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
63 850 to 63 950	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
63 950 to 64 050	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
64 050 to 64 150	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
64 150 to 64 250	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
64 250 to 64 350	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
64 350 to 64 450	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
64 450 to 64 550	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
64 550 to 64 650	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
64 650 to 64 750	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
64 750 to 64 850	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
64 850 to 64 950	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
64 950 to 65 050	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
65 050 to 65 150	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
65 150 to 65 250	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
65 250 to 65 350	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
65 350 to 65 450	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
65 450 to 65 550	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
65 550 to 65 650	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
65 650 to 65 750	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1



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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
65 750 to 65 850	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
65 850 to 65 950	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
65 950 to 66 050	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
66 050 to 66 150	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
66 150 to 66 250	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
66 250 to 66 350	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
66 350 to 66 450	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
66 450 to 66 550	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
66 550 to 66 650	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
66 650 to 66 750	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
66 750 to 66 850	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
66 850 to 66 950	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
66 950 to 67 050	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
67 050 to 67 150	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
67 150 to 67 250	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
67 250 to 67 350	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
67 350 to 67 450	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
67 450 to 67 550	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
67 550 to 67 650	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
67 650 to 67 750	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
67 750 to 67 850	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
67 850 to 67 950	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
67 950 to 68 050	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
68 050 to 68 150	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
68 150 to 68 250	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
68 250 to 68 350	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
68 350 to 68 450	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
68 450 to 68 550	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
68 550 to 68 650	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
68 650 to 68 750	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
68 750 to 68 850	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
68 850 to 68 950	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
68 950 to 69 050	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
69 050 to 69 150	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
69 150 to 69 250	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
69 250 to 69 350	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
69 350 to 69 450	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
69 450 to 69 550	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
69 550 to 69 650	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
69 650 to 69 750	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
69 750 to 69 850	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
69 850 to 69 950	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
69 950 to 70 050	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
70 050 to 70 150	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
70 150 to 70 250	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0



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	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
70 250 to 70 350	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
70 350 to 70 450	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
70 450 to 70 550	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
70 550 to 70 650	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
70 650 to 70 750	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
70 750 to 70 850	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
70 850 to 70 950	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
70 950 to 71 050	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
71 050 to 71 150	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
71 150 to 71 250	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
71 250 to 71 350	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
71 350 to 71 450	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
71 450 to 71 550	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
71 550 to 71 650	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
71 650 to 71 750	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
71 750 to 71 850	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
71 850 to 71 950	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
71 950 to 72 050	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
72 050 to 72 150	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
72 150 to 72 250	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
72 250 to 72 350	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
72 350 to 72 450	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
72 450 to 72 550	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
72 550 to 72 650	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
72 650 to 72 750	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
72 750 to 72 850	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
72 850 to 72 950	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
72 950 to 73 050	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
73 050 to 73 150	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
73 150 to 73 250	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
73 250 to 73 350	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
73 350 to 73 450	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
73 450 to 73 550	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
73 550 to 73 650	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
73 650 to 73 750	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
73 750 to 73 850	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
73 850 to 73 950	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
73 950 to 74 050	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
74 050 to 74 150	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
74 150 to 74 250	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
74 250 to 74 350	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
74 350 to 74 450	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
74 450 to 74 550	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
74 550 to 74 650	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1



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74 650 to 74 750	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
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	Increments (Feet)	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
74 750 to 74 850	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
74 850 to 74 950	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
74 950 to 75 050	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
75 050 to 75 150	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
75 150 to 75 250	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
75 250 to 75 350	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
75 350 to 75 450	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
75 450 to 75 550	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
75 550 to 75 650	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
75 650 to 75 750	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
75 750 to 75 850	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
75 850 to 75 950	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
75 950 to 76 050	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
76 050 to 76 150	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
76 150 to 76 250	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
76 250 to 76 350	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
76 350 to 76 450	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
76 450 to 76 550	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
76 550 to 76 650	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
76 650 to 76 750	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
76 750 to 76 850	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
76 850 to 76 950	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
76 950 to 77 050	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
77 050 to 77 150	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
77 150 to 77 250	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
77 250 to 77 350	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
77 350 to 77 450	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
77 450 to 77 550	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
77 550 to 77 650	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
77 650 to 77 750	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
77 750 to 77 850	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
77 850 to 77 950	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
77 950 to 78 050	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
78 050 to 78 150	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
78 150 to 78 250	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
78 250 to 78 350	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
78 350 to 78 450	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
78 450 to 78 550	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
78 550 to 78 650	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
78 650 to 78 750	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
78 750 to 78 850	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
78 850 to 78 950	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
78 950 to 79 050	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
79 050 to 79 150	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
79 150 to 79 250	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0



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	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
79 250 to 79 350	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
79 350 to 79 450	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
79 450 to 79 550	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
79 550 to 79 650	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1
79 650 to 79 750	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
79 750 to 79 850	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
79 850 to 79 950	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1
79 950 to 80 050	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
80 050 to 80 150	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
80 150 to 80 250	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
80 250 to 80 350	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
80 350 to 80 450	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
80 450 to 80 550	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
80 550 to 80 650	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1
80 650 to 80 750	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
80 750 to 80 850	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
80 850 to 80 950	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
80 950 to 81 050	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
81 050 to 81 150	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
81 150 to 81 250	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
81 250 to 81 350	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
81 350 to 81 450	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
81 450 to 81 550	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
81 550 to 81 650	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
81 650 to 81 750	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
81 750 to 81 850	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
81 850 to 81 950	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
81 950 to 82 050	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
82 050 to 82 150	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
82 150 to 82 250	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
82 250 to 82 350	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
82 350 to 82 450	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
82 450 to 82 550	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
82 550 to 82 650	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
82 650 to 82 750	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
82 750 to 82 850	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
82 850 to 82 950	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
82 950 to 83 050	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
83 050 to 83 150	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
83 150 to 83 250	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
83 250 to 83 350	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
83 350 to 83 450	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
83 450 to 83 550	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
83 550 to 83 650	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
83 650 to 83 750	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1





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83 750 to 83 850	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
83 850 to 83 950	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
83 950 to 84 050	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
84 050 to 84 150	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
84 150 to 84 250	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
84 250 to 84 350	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
84 350 to 84 450	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
84 450 to 84 550	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
84 550 to 84 650	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
84 650 to 84 750	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
84 750 to 84 850	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
84 850 to 84 950	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
84 950 to 85 050	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
85 050 to 85 150	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
85 150 to 85 250	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
85 250 to 85 350	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
85 350 to 85 450	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
85 450 to 85 550	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
85 550 to 85 650	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
85 650 to 85 750	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
85 750 to 85 850	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
85 850 to 85 950	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
85 950 to 86 050	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
86 050 to 86 150	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
86 150 to 86 250	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
86 250 to 86 350	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
86 350 to 86 450	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
86 450 to 86 550	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
86 550 to 86 650	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
86 650 to 86 750	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
86 750 to 86 850	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
86 850 to 86 950	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
86 950 to 87 050	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
87 050 to 87 150	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
87 150 to 87 250	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
87 250 to 87 350	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
87 350 to 87 450	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
87 450 to 87 550	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
87 550 to 87 650	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
87 650 to 87 750	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
87 750 to 87 850	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
87 850 to 87 950	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
87 950 to 88 050	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
88 050 to 88 150	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
88 150 to 88 250	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0



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88 250 to 88 350	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
88 350 to 88 450	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
88 450 to 88 550	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
88 550 to 88 650	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
88 650 to 88 750	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
88 750 to 88 850	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
88 850 to 88 950	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
88 950 to 89 050	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
89 050 to 89 150	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
89 150 to 89 250	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
89 250 to 89 350	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
89 350 to 89 450	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
89 450 to 89 550	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
89 550 to 89 650	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
89 650 to 89 750	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
89 750 to 89 850	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
89 850 to 89 950	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1
89 950 to 90 050	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
90 050 to 90 150	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
90 150 to 90 250	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
90 250 to 90 350	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
90 350 to 90 450	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
90 450 to 90 550	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
90 550 to 90 650	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
90 650 to 90 750	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
90 750 to 90 850	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
90 850 to 90 950	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
90 950 to 91 050	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
91 050 to 91 150	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
91 150 to 91 250	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
91 250 to 91 350	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
91 350 to 91 450	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
91 450 to 91 550	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
91 550 to 91 650	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
91 650 to 91 750	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
91 750 to 91 850	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
91 850 to 91 950	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
91 950 to 92 050	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
92 050 to 92 150	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
92 150 to 92 250	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
92 250 to 92 350	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
92 350 to 92 450	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
92 450 to 92 550	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
92 550 to 92 650	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
92 650 to 92 750	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1



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92 750 to 92 850	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
92 850 to 92 950	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
92 950 to 93 050	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
93 050 to 93 150	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
93 150 to 93 250	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
93 250 to 93 350	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
93 350 to 93 450	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
93 450 to 93 550	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
93 550 to 93 650	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
93 650 to 93 750	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
93 750 to 93 850	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
93 850 to 93 950	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
93 950 to 94 050	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
94 050 to 94 150	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
94 150 to 94 250	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
94 250 to 94 350	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
94 350 to 94 450	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
94 450 to 94 550	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
94 550 to 94 650	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
94 650 to 94 750	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
94 750 to 94 850	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
94 850 to 94 950	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
94 950 to 95 050	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
95 050 to 95 150	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
95 150 to 95 250	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
95 250 to 95 350	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
95 350 to 95 450	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
95 450 to 95 550	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
95 550 to 95 650	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
95 650 to 95 750	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
95 750 to 95 850	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
95 850 to 95 950	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
95 950 to 96 050	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
96 050 to 96 150	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
96 150 to 96 250	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
96 250 to 96 350	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
96 350 to 96 450	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
96 450 to 96 550	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
96 550 to 96 650	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
96 650 to 96 750	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
96 750 to 96 850	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
96 850 to 96 950	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
96 950 to 97 050	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
97 050 to 97 150	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
97 150 to 97 250	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0



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97 250 to 97 350	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
97 350 to 97 450	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
97 450 to 97 550	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
97 550 to 97 650	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
97 650 to 97 750	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
97 750 to 97 850	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
97 850 to 97 950	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
97 950 to 98 050	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
98 050 to 98 150	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
98 150 to 98 250	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
98 250 to 98 350	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
98 350 to 98 450	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
98 450 to 98 550	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
98 550 to 98 650	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
98 650 to 98 750	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
98 750 to 98 850	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
98 850 to 98 950	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
98 950 to 99 050	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
99 050 to 99 150	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
99 150 to 99 250	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
99 250 to 99 350	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
99 350 to 99 450	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
99 450 to 99 550	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
99 550 to 99 650	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
99 650 to 99 750	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
99 750 to 99 850	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
99 850 to 99 950	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
99 950 to 100 050	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
100 to 100 150	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
100 to 100 250	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
100 to 100 350	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
100 to 100 450	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
100 to 100 550	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
100 to 100 650	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
100 to 100 750	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
100 to 100 850	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
100 to 100 950	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
100 to 101 050	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
101 to 101 150	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
101 to 101 250	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
101 to 101 350	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
101 to 101 450	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
101 to 101 550	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
101 to 101 650	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1



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101	to	101 750	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
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101 to 101 850	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
101 to 101 950	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
101 to 102 050	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
102 to 102 150	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
102 to 102 250	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
102 to 102 350	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
102 to 102 450	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
102 to 102 550	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
102 to 102 650	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
102 to 102 750	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
102 to 102 850	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
102 to 102 950	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
102 to 103 050	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
103 to 103 150	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
103 to 103 250	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
103 to 103 350	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
103 to 103 450	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
103 to 103 550	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
103 to 103 650	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
103 to 103 750	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
103 to 103 850	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
103 to 103 950	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
103 to 104 050	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
104 to 104 150	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
104 to 104 250	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
104 to 104 350	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
104 to 104 450	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
104 to 104 550	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
104 to 104 650	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
104 to 104 750	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
104 to 104 850	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
104 to 104 950	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
104 to 105 050	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
105 to 105 150	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
105 to 105 250	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
105 to 105 350	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
105 to 105 450	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
105 to 105 550	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
105 to 105 650	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
105 to 105 750	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
105 to 105 850	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
105 to 105 950	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
105 to 106 050	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
106 to 106 150	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
106 to 106 250	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0



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	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
106 to 106 350	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
106 to 106 450	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
106 to 106 550	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
106 to 106 650	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
106 to 106 750	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
106 to 106 850	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
106 to 106 950	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
106 to 107 050	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
107 to 107 150	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
107 to 107 250	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
107 to 107 350	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
107 to 107 450	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
107 to 107 550	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
107 to 107 650	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
107 to 107 750	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
107 to 107 850	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
107 to 107 950	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
107 to 108 050	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
108 to 108 150	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
108 to 108 250	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
108 to 108 350	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
108 to 108 450	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
108 to 108 550	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
108 to 108 650	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
108 to 108 750	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
108 to 108 850	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
108 to 108 950	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
108 to 109 050	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
109 to 109 150	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
109 to 109 250	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
109 to 109 350	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
109 to 109 450	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
109 to 109 550	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
109 to 109 650	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
109 to 109 750	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
109 to 109 850	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
109 to 109 950	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
109 to 110 050	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
110 to 110 150	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
110 to 110 250	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
110 to 110 350	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
110 to 110 450	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
110 to 110 550	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
110 to 110 650	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1



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110	to	110 750	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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Increments <i>(Feet)</i>		D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
110	to 110 850	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
110	to 110 950	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
110	to 111 050	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
111	to 111 150	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
111	to 111 250	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
111	to 111 350	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
111	to 111 450	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
111	to 111 550	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
111	to 111 650	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
111	to 111 750	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
111	to 111 850	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
111	to 111 950	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
111	to 112 050	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
112	to 112 150	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
112	to 112 250	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
112	to 112 350	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
112	to 112 450	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
112	to 112 550	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
112	to 112 650	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
112	to 112 750	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
112	to 112 850	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
112	to 112 950	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
112	to 113 050	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
113	to 113 150	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
113	to 113 250	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
113	to 113 350	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
113	to 113 450	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
113	to 113 550	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
113	to 113 650	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
113	to 113 750	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
113	to 113 850	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
113	to 113 950	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
113	to 114 050	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
114	to 114 150	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
114	to 114 250	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
114	to 114 350	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
114	to 114 450	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
114	to 114 550	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
114	to 114 650	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
114	to 114 750	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
114	to 114 850	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
114	to 114 950	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
114	to 115 050	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
115	to 115 150	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
115	to 115 250	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0



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	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
115 to 115 350	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
115 to 115 450	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
115 to 115 550	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
115 to 115 650	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
115 to 115 750	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
115 to 115 850	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
115 to 115 950	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
115 to 116 050	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
116 to 116 150	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
116 to 116 250	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
116 to 116 350	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
116 to 116 450	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
116 to 116 550	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
116 to 116 650	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
116 to 116 750	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
116 to 116 850	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
116 to 116 950	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
116 to 117 050	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
117 to 117 150	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
117 to 117 250	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
117 to 117 350	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
117 to 117 450	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
117 to 117 550	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
117 to 117 650	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
117 to 117 750	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
117 to 117 850	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
117 to 117 950	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
117 to 118 050	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
118 to 118 150	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
118 to 118 250	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
118 to 118 350	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
118 to 118 450	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
118 to 118 550	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
118 to 118 650	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
118 to 118 750	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
118 to 118 850	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
118 to 118 950	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
118 to 119 050	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
119 to 119 150	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
119 to 119 250	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
119 to 119 350	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
119 to 119 450	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
119 to 119 550	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
119 to 119 650	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1



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119	to	119 750	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
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RANGE	PULSE POSITIONS <i>(0 or 1 in a pulse position denotes absence or presence of a pulse, respectively)</i>										
	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>	D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2
119 to 119 850	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
119 to 119 950	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
119 to 120 050	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0
120 to 120 150	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0
120 to 120 250	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
120 to 120 350	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
120 to 120 450	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
120 to 120 550	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0
120 to 120 650	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1
120 to 120 750	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
120 to 120 850	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
120 to 120 950	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
120 to 121 050	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0
121 to 121 150	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
121 to 121 250	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
121 to 121 350	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
121 to 121 450	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
121 to 121 550	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
121 to 121 650	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
121 to 121 750	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
121 to 121 850	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
121 to 121 950	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
121 to 122 050	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
122 to 122 150	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
122 to 122 250	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0
122 to 122 350	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
122 to 122 450	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
122 to 122 550	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
122 to 122 650	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1
122 to 122 750	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
122 to 122 850	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
122 to 122 950	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
122 to 123 050	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
123 to 123 150	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
123 to 123 250	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
123 to 123 350	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
123 to 123 450	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
123 to 123 550	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
123 to 123 650	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	1
123 to 123 750	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
123 to 123 850	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
123 to 123 950	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
123 to 124 050	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
124 to 124 150	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0



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124	to	124 250	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
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RANGE	PULSE POSITIONS <i>(0 or 1 in a pulse position denotes absence or presence of a pulse, respectively)</i>												
	Increments <i>(Feet)</i>		D2	D4	A1	A2	A4	B1	B2	B4	C1	C2	C4
124	to	124 350	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
124	to	124 450	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
124	to	124 550	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
124	to	124 650	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	1
124	to	124 750	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
124	to	124 850	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
124	to	124 950	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1
124	to	125 050	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
125	to	125 150	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0
125	to	125 250	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
125	to	125 350	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
125	to	125 450	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
125	to	125 550	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
125	to	125 650	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1
125	to	125 750	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
125	to	125 850	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
125	to	125 950	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
125	to	126 050	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
126	to	126 150	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
126	to	126 250	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
126	to	126 350	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
126	to	126 450	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
126	to	126 550	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
126	to	126 650	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
126	to	126 750	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1