

# Bid Period Information

Guidance  
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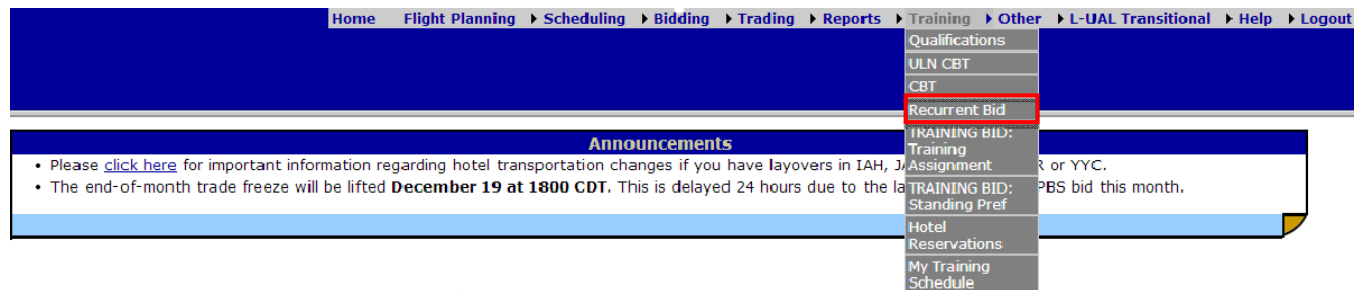
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## Recurrent Training Bidding

Pilots will receive recurrent training notifications via CCS at the time of the bid open. To access recurrent bidding functionality in CCS, hover your cursor over Training in the CCS Main Menu Tabs to display the available transactions. Select Recurrent Bid. A Bidding user guide can be accessed by navigating to Help > Bidding.



Recurrent bidding opens each month on the 18th at 10:00 CST and closes on the 25th at 10:00 CST. Recurrent bidding awards are used in your PBS line award and will display on your monthly calendar in PBS.

## Scheduling Phone Numbers

Crew Scheduling	800-338-2739	Local: 847-700-2739
GUM Scheduling	866-245-4134	Local GUM: 671-645-8310

Report operational concerns, e.g. hotel bookings, to PDR by navigating to the ALPA MEC website home page and the ALPA.org APP. PDR is the compliant report for all Pilots.

## PBS Bidding

PBS Schedule bidding shall open no later than 1700 CST on the 6th calendar day of the month and shall close at 1000 CST on the 12th calendar day of the month.

**Captain** schedule awards shall be completed no later than 2359 CST on the 15th calendar day of the month.

**First Officer** schedule awards shall be completed no later than 2359 CST on the 17th calendar day of the month.

**Monthly** schedule awards for each Category shall be published in PBS when completed.

### FOR HELP WITH PBS BIDDING:

For bidding help and/or award interpretation, pilots may either log on to [www.prefbid.com](http://www.prefbid.com) to chat live with a pilot PBS Trainer or call the PBS Help Desk at 231-UGOTPBS / 231-846-8727 during normal business hours. Both assets are available during the Bid and Award Windows.

Pilots who call the Union office may be told to log in to [www.prefbid.com](http://www.prefbid.com) for assistance. If you have issues logging into [www.prefbid.com](http://www.prefbid.com), please email [livehelp@prefbid.com](mailto:livehelp@prefbid.com) during the Bid and Award windows and [UALPBS@alpa.org](mailto:UALPBS@alpa.org) at other time periods with your name and employee number.

Pilots wishing to file a dispute over their PBS Award can do so monthly on the 18th. To file a dispute, use the same drop-down menu in PBS that is used to navigate between the Crew Info and Bidding Screens, and select [Disputes](#). All disputes are answered no later than two business days after the 23rd, when the filing window closes.

## PICK-UPS IN A VACATION MONTH

Effective with the November 2016 bid period, when a pilot's starting PTC and LPV is less than MPG in his vacation month and a pilot in this situation picks up flying, there will be no increase in his overall compensation until his PTC or LPV is greater than MPG. (Note that a Senior Man or PPU assignment is a partial exception to this, since a portion of the SRM/PPU compensation is done via Add Pay.)

A pilot can avoid this situation entirely if his PBS award exceeds certain levels. For example, with seven days of vacation, a PBS award of at least 76:25 in a 30-day bid period and at least 78:45 in a 31-day bid period will avoid this situation (assuming the pilot has no unpaid absences). With 14 days of vacation, a PBS award of at least 82:50 in a 30-day bid period and at least 85:10 in a 31-day bid period will avoid the situation (assuming no unpaid absences). Below is the complete table showing these values.

If the number of vacation days in a Bid Period is...	...then to receive full pay value for any net pick up, your PBS award must be at least:	
	30-Day Bid Period	31-Day Bid Period
1	70:55	73:15
2	71:50	74:10
3	72:45	75:05
4	73:40	76:00
5	74:35	76:55
6	75:30	77:50
7	76:25	78:45
8	77:20	79:40
9	78:15	80:35
10	79:10	81:30
11	80:05	82:25
12	81:00	83:20
13	81:55	84:15
14	82:50	85:10
15	83:45	86:05
16	84:40	87:00
17	85:35	87:55
18	86:30	88:50
19	87:25	89:45
20	88:20	--
21	89:15	--

#### PAIRING NUMBERING MATRIX

Equipment	Equipment Bases
1 = 320	EWR, DCA, ORD, IAH, DEN, SFO, LAX
2 = 777	EWR, DCA, IAH, SFO
3 = 756	EWR, ORD, IAH, DEN, DCA, SFO, LAX
4 =	No longer used
5 = 737	EWR, DCA, MCO, CLE, ORD, IAH, DEN, LAS, LAX, SFO, GUM
6 =	No longer used
7 =	No longer used
8 = 787	EWR, DCA, ORD, IAH, DEN, SFO, LAX
9 = Operational Trips	

#### BASE CODES

EWR - E	IAH - H	LAX - L	MCO - M
DCA - W	GUM - G	SFO - F	LAS - J
ORD - O	DEN - D	CLE - V	

To standardize the end state, we will be using the following numbering range in any fleet with augmentation. All Bases and Equipment will have their Base and Equipment identifiers (outlined above) preceding the ID name.

Base Trips	001-499
IRA	501-699
IRB	701-899
CAP IRO	901-999

737 domestic and 320 fleets will not have augmentation; they will be numbered as follows:

Base Trips	001-999
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Please note - Alpha numeric codes will be used for the Trip ID as needed at any level. In addition, equipment and bases that do not have double augmented trips may have single augmented trips numbered in the 501-899 number range.

## 2023-2024 Pilot Month Definitions

Month	Year	Bid Period	Days
May	2023	May 1 - May 30	30
June	2023	May 31 - Jun 29	30
July	2023	Jun 30 - Jul 29	30
August	2023	Jul 30 - Aug 28	30
September	2023	Aug 29 - Sep 28	31
October	2023	Sep 29 - Oct 29	31
November	2023	Oct 30 - Nov 29	31
December	2023	Nov 30 - Dec 29	30
January	2024	Dec 30 - Jan 29	31
February	2024	Jan 30 - Feb 29	31
March	2024	Mar 1 - Mar 30	30
April	2024	Mar 31 - Apr 30	31

Trip Trade for the subsequent month opens on the 24th of each month at 1500 LBT.

## Reserve Day Off Trade Requests

Trading days off for reserves starts in the morning of the 25<sup>th</sup> of every month (for the subsequent month). The exception is the January bid month which starts trading on December 26<sup>th</sup>. Start times vary by base, see below for an overview of trade start times.

### START TIMES FOR RDO TRADES

EWR, DCA, MCO, CLE	0900 LBT
ORD, IAH	1100 LBT
DEN	1200 LBT
SFO, LAX, LAS	1200 LBT
GUM	1200 LBT

## Flight Number Ranges

Flight No Range	Description
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2500-2599	Charter Flights
2765-2855	Cargo Flights



## FAR 117 Flight and Duty Limitations

TABLE A TO PART 117 – MAXIMUM FLIGHT TIME LIMITS FOR UNAUGMENTED OPERATIONS  
TABLE

Time of report (acclimated time)	Maximum flight hours
0000-0459	8 hours
0500-1959	9 hours
2000-2359	8 hours

TABLE B TO PART 117 – FLIGHT DUTY PERIOD: UNAUGMENTED OPERATIONS

Scheduled time of start (acclimated time)	Max flight duty period (hours) for line holders based on number of segments						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
0000-0359	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
0400-0459	10	10	10	10	9	9	9
0500-0559	12	12	12	12	11.5	11	10.5
0600-0659	13	13	12	12	11.5	11	10.5
0700-1159	14	14	13	13	12.5	12	11.5
1200-1259	13	13	13	13	12.5	12	11.5
1300-1659	12	12	12	12	11.5	11	10.5
1700-2159	12	12	11	11	10	9	9
2200-2259	11	11	10	10	9	9	9
2300-2359	10	10	10	9	9	9	9

TABLE C TO PART 117 – FLIGHT DUTY PERIOD: AUGUMENTED OPERATIONS

Scheduled time of start (acclimated time)	Maximum flight duty period (hours) based on rest facility and number of pilots					
	Class 1 rest facility		Class 2 rest facility		Class 3 rest facility	
	3 pilots	4 pilots	3 pilots	4 pilots	3 pilots	4 pilots
0000-0559	15	17	14	15.5	13	13.5
0600-0659	16	18.5	15	16.5	14	14.5
0700-1259	17	19	16.5	18	15	15.5
1300-1659	16	18.5	15	16.5	14	14.5
1700-2359	15	17	14	15.5	13	13.5

FAR 117.11 - MAXIMUM FLIGHT TIME LIMITS: AUGMENTED OPERATIONS

Number of pilots	Maximum flight hours
3 Pilots	13
4 Pilots	17

## Buffers

The following buffers are applied to pilot schedule improvement, per Section 20-A-5 of the UPA. Ops = Operational, TT = TripTrade

### FAR 117 Limits

### Buffer Limit

Rest: 30 in 168	1:00	No less than 31 hours of consecutive rest in 168 hours
Flight Time: 100 in 672	5:00	No more than 95 hours of flight time in 672 hours
Flight Time: 1000 in 365	10:00	No more than 990 hours of flight time in 365 days
FDP Cumulative: 60 in 168	4:00	No more than 56 hours of FDP in 168 hours (PBS and TT)
FDP Cumulative: 190 in 672	8:00	No more than 182 hours of FDP in 672 hours

### In Operations Buffers - Crew Scheduling

	Ops	TT
Flight Time Limits in FDP (Table A) Unaugmented	:30	X
Flight Time Limits in FDP (Table A) Single Augmented	:30	X
Flight Time Limits in FDP (Table A) Double Augmented	:30	X
Unaugmented FDP Limits (Table B)	:30	X
Augmented FDP Limits (Table C)	:30	X
Reserve Unaugmented Ops Limit (FDP + RAP)	1:00	n/a
Reserve Augmented Ops Limit (FDP + RAP)	1:00	n/a
Reserve Minimum Rest	:45	n/a
Minimum Rest	:45	n/a
Rest 30 in 168	1:00	1:00
Flight Time 100 in 672	5:00	5:00
Flight Time 1000 in 365	10:00	10:00
FDP Cumulative 60 in 168	4:00	4:00
FDP Cumulative 190 in 672	4:00	4:00
18 hour rest between any line and training assignments	X	:30
Island Hopper Pre & Post Trip Rest	:45	:45

There is a 23 hour buffer prior to retirement.

## Detailed Pairing Information

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EFF 01/05/14 THRU 01/25/14

RPT: 1840

75B

ID E3099 - GLOBAL (EUR)

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64 ENR LIS 2010 0810 26.05 D S 7.00 7.00 9.00 .00

RLS: 0840 HTL: SHERATON LISBOA 351213120000 OP=> 35218403732

AEROCOPE 351218400121

RPT: 0845

75B DH 65 LIS ENR 1015 1335 8.20 8.20 10.20 .00

RLS: 1405

DAYS- 3 PAY-15.20\* FTM-15.20\* TAFB- 43.25 INT- 15.20 M\$-115.05 T/C- .00

1. Effective date range of operation. The first date this trip will operate is Jan 5. The last date this trip will operate is Jan 25. The calendar on the right displays calendar days of operation.
2. Identifier or Name of the Trip/Pairing E3099; Basic or Global.
3. Report Time LCL
4. Equipment Type

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5. Flt Number
6. Departure Airport
7. Arrival Airport
8. Departure Time LCL
9. Arrival Time LCL
10. Ground Time before next segment (Layover Time – on last segment of the day)

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RPT: 1840																																	
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11. Meals available on the flight B=breakfast, L=lunch, D=Dinner, S=Snack
12. Flight Time
13. Accumulated Flight time. These values are the same in this example because there is only one segment.
14. Total Time on Duty for that duty period.
15. Duty Credit/Duty Period Penalty Time/Duty Period Soft Time for that duty period.

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RPT: 1840				
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RLS: 0840	HTL: SHERATON LISBOA		351213120000	
	AEROCOOPE		351218400121	
RPT: 0845	OP=> 35218403732			
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DAYS- 3 PAY-15.20* FTM-15.20* TAFB- 43.25 INT- 15.20				M\$-115.05 T/C- .00
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16. Release Time LCL
17. Hotel Name
18. Hotel Phone Number
19. Operations phone number
20. Transportation Name
21. Transportation Phone Number

EFF 01/25/14 THRU 01/25/14	ID E3099 - GLOBAL (EUR)	-- -- -- --
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RLS: 0840 HTL: SHERATON LISBOA 351213120000 OP=> 35218403732		-- -- -- -- 23 24 25
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75B DH 65 LIS EWR 1015 1335 8.20 8.20 10.20 .00		
RLS: 1405		
DAYS- 3 PAY-15.20 <sup>h</sup> FTM-15.20 <sup>h</sup> TAFB- 43.25 INT- 15.20	M\$-115.05 T/C- .00	

- 22. DH – Deadhead indicator OA – other airline deadhead
- 23. Total number of days included in the Trip/Pairing
- 24. Total Bid/Credit/Pay Time
- 25. Total Flight Time
- 26. Total Scheduled Time Away From Base
- 27. INT – International Time
- 28. M\$ – Per Diem in dollars
- 29. T/C – Pairing Credit/Pairing Penalty Time/Pairing Soft Time

E Trips are available in Excel format. This format enables filtering and sorting to display information in desired views.