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Appendix 3. Abbreviations/Acronyms

As used in this manual, the following abbreviations/ acronyms have the meanings indicated.

AAWU Alaskan Aviation Weather AAS Airport Advisory Service AC Advisory Circular ACAR Aircraft Communication Reporting System ADCUS Advise Customs ADDS Aviation Digital Data Set ADF Automatic Direction Fin ADIZ Air Defense Identification ADS-B Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast AFB Air Force Base AFCS Automatic Flight Contro AFIS Automatic Flight Inform AFM Aircraft Flight Manual AGL Above Ground Level	s Addressing and rvice der
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ACI Above Cround I con	
AGL Above Ground Level	
AHRS Attitude Heading Refere	nce System
AIM Aeronautical Information	n Manual
AIRMET Airmen's Meteorological	Information
AIS Aeronautical Information	Services
ALD Available Landing Distar	nce
ALDARS Automated Lightning De Reporting System	etection and
ALS Approach Light Systems	
AMSL Above Mean Sea Level	
ANP Actual Navigation Perform	rmance
AOCC Airline Operations Contr	ol Center
AP Autopilot System	
APV Approach with Vertical C	Guidance
AR Authorization Required	
ARENA Areas Noted for Attentio	
ARFF IC Aircraft Rescue and Fire Commander	Fighting Incident
ARINC Aeronautical Radio Inco	rporated
ARO Airport Reservations Off	ïce
ARSA Airport Radar Service A	rea
ARSR Air Route Surveillance R	Radar
ARTCC Air Route Traffic Contro	l Center
ARTS Automated Radar Termin	nal System
ASDE-X Airport Surface Detection Model X	n Equipment –
ASOS Automated Surface Obse	. ~
ASR Airport Surveillance Rad	erving System

Abbreviation/	Meaning
Acronym	9
ASRS	Aviation Safety Reporting System
ASSC	Airport Surface Surveillance Capability
ATC	Air Traffic Control
ATCRBS	Air Traffic Control Radar Beacon System
ATCSCC	Air Traffic Control System Command Center
ATCT	Airport Traffic Control Tower
ATD	Along-Track Distance
ATIS	Automatic Terminal Information Service
ATT	Attitude Retention System
AWC	Aviation Weather Center
AWOS	Automated Weather Observing System
AWTT	Aviation Weather Technology Transfer
AWW	Severe Weather Forecast Alert
BAASS	Bigelow Aerospace Advanced Space Studies
BBS	Bulletin Board System
BC	Back Course
BECMG	Becoming group
C/A	Coarse Acquisition
CARTS	Common Automated Radar Terminal System (ARTS) (to include ARTS IIIE and ARTS IIE)
CAT	Clear Air Turbulence
CD	Controller Display
CDI	Course Deviation Indicator
CDR	Coded Departure Route
CERAP	Combined Center/RAPCON
CFA	Controlled Firing Area
CFIT	Controlled Flight into Terrain
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
COA	Certificate of Waiver or Authorization
CPDLC	Controller Pilot Data Link Communications
CTAF	Common Traffic Advisory Frequency
CVFP	Charted Visual Flight Procedure
CVRS	Computerized Voice Reservation System
CWA	Center Weather Advisory
CWSU	Center Weather Service Unit
DA	Decision Altitude
DCA	Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport
DCP	Data Collection Package
DER	Departure End of Runway
DH	Decision Height

Abbreviations/Acronyms Appendix 3–1