

# House Legislative Oversight

**South Carolina Aeronautics Commission**

**Flight Department**

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# Our Mission

Fostering air and economic development by overseeing the safety and development of the state's public use airports, by providing safe and reliable air transportation for state government and business prospects, and by providing aviation education opportunities.



## Flight Department's Primary Purpose

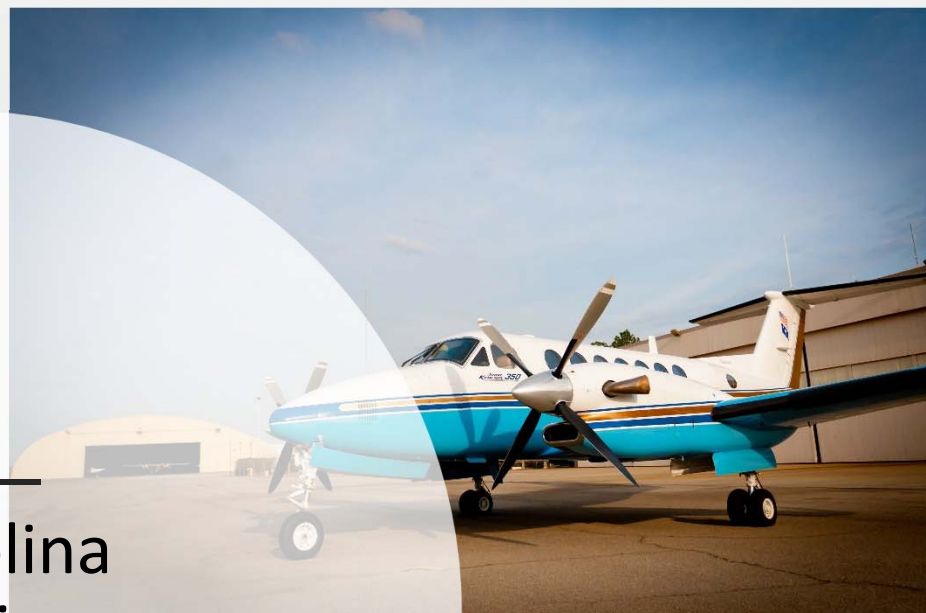
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# Airport Development Organization

- 4 FTE's
  - Overhead covered by General Fund appropriations
  - No increases have been requested for this department in the past 5 years
- Two Aircraft
  - Beechcraft King Air 350 (1990)
  - Beechcraft King Air C90 (1983)





# South Carolina Aeronautics Commission Aircraft





# Flight Department Programs

## – Flight

- For Official State Business Only
- Transportation for: Governor, Constitutional Officers, member of the General Assembly, members of State Boards, Commissions, and agencies and their invitees

## – Maintenance

- SCAC fleet
- DNR fleet
- Possibility of establishing maintenance agreements with other state agencies - §55-5-80(C)

## – Fuel

- Sold to other state agencies who operate aircraft

# Flight Department Operations

- Deliverable 51: Creation of the flight department
- Deliverable 52: Purchase of aircraft
- Deliverable 53.1: Operation of aircraft
- Deliverable 53.2: Adoption of rules and regulations for use of state-owned aircraft
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- Deliverable 53.4: Allowance of aircraft usage for athletic recruiting
- Deliverable 53.5: Allowance of aircraft usage for medical purposes



## Deliverable 51

### Creation of the flight department

SC Code Ann. §55-5-80(C): “The division shall operate a flight department including the purchase, operation, and maintenance of aircraft to support the transportation needs of the State, and may support and cooperate with other state agencies who own aircraft through maintenance and operations agreements.”

**No recommended law change**





## Deliverable 52

### Purchase of Aircraft

SC Code Ann. §55-5-80(C): “The division shall operate a flight department including the **purchase**, operation, and maintenance **of aircraft** to support the transportation needs of the State, and may support and cooperate with other state agencies who own aircraft through maintenance and operations agreements.”

**No recommended law change**



## Deliverable 53.1

### Operation of Aircraft

SC Code Ann. §55-5-80(C): “The division shall operate a flight department including the purchase, **operation**, and maintenance **of aircraft** to support the transportation needs of the State, and may support and cooperate with other state agencies who own aircraft through maintenance and operations agreements.”

**No recommended law change**



## Deliverable 53.2

Adoption of rules and regulations for use of state-owned aircraft

SC Code Ann. §55-1-90: "The division **may adopt rules and promulgate regulations** governing this section."

**No recommended law change**





## Deliverable 53.3

Utilization of aircraft for official state business

SC Code Ann. §55-1-90: "State-owned aircraft may be used by state agencies, and other governmental bodies or political subdivisions within the state for matters pertinent to, and in the normal course of business for the governmental entities."

**No recommended law change**



## Deliverable 53.4

### Allowance of aircraft usage for athletic recruiting

SC Code Ann. §55-1-90: "State-owned aircraft may be used by state agencies, and other governmental bodies or political subdivisions within the state for matters pertinent to, and in the normal course of business for the governmental entities."

Proviso 117.100. (GP: Prohibit Use of State Aircraft for Athletic Recruitment) "Institutions of higher learning may use the state aircraft operated by the Division of Aeronautics for the purpose of athletic recruiting, provided that they reimburse the Division of Aeronautics for all flight hours on an at cost basis, using non-general funds."

**No recommended law change**





## Deliverable 53.5

### Allowance of aircraft usage for medical purposes

SC Code Ann. §55-1-90: “Nothing in this section shall prohibit the division from entering into agreements with a public hospital or medical center owned, operated, or supported in whole or in part by state funds for the purpose of transporting personnel or patients, whether on an emergency basis or otherwise, as long as payment is made, including any insurance proceeds, to the State Treasurer.”

**No recommended law change**

# Flight Department

- Deliverable 54: Flight Logs
- Deliverable 55: Aircraft Maintenance
- Deliverable 56: Maintenance Agreements

# Deliverable 54

## Flight Logs

Budget Proviso 117.22. (GP: State-Owned Aircraft - Flight Logs) “Each agency having in its custody one or more aircraft shall maintain a continuing log on all flights, which in order to promote accountability and transparency shall be open for public inspection and shall also be posted online.”

**No recommended law change**



# Deliverable 55

## Aircraft Maintenance

SC Code Ann. §55-5-80(C): “The division shall operate a flight department including the purchase, operation, and maintenance of aircraft to support the transportation needs of the State, and may support and cooperate with other state agencies who own aircraft through maintenance and operations agreements.”

**No recommended law change**





# Deliverable 56

## Maintenance Agreements

SC Code Ann. §55-5-80(C): “The division shall operate a flight department including the purchase, operation, and maintenance of aircraft to support the transportation needs of the State, and may support and cooperate with other state agencies who own aircraft through maintenance and operations agreements.”

**No recommended law change**





# Hangar

- Deliverable 57.1: Hangar Storage
- Deliverable 57.2: Hangar Rates
- Deliverable 58: Emergency Management Support



# Deliverable 57.1

## Hangar Storage

Budget Proviso 87.4: (AERO: Hangar/Parking Facilities)

“The Division of Aeronautics will provide hangar/parking facilities for government owned and/or operated aircraft on a first come basis. Funds shall be retained by the division for the purpose of hangar and parking facility maintenance. The Hangar Fee Schedule shall be determined by the division and shall not exceed local average market rates. Personnel from the agencies owning and/or operating aircraft will be responsible for ground movement of their aircraft.”

**No recommended law change**





## Deliverable 57.2

### Hangar Rates

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**No recommended law change**





# Deliverable 58

## Emergency Management Support

SC Code Ann. §55-5-80(I): “The division may participate in and support the emergency management division air branch emergency support function.”

**No recommended law change**



# Thank You!

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