

What's Happening With SMS?

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The Four SMS Components

Safety Policy

Safety Risk Management

Safety Assurance

Safety Promotion

SMS Rule Status

Click the link below for the most current information.



[Report on DOT Significant Rulemakings](#)

SMS Focus Group Meeting Planned

Clear your schedules! The next annual SMS Focus Group (SMSFG) meeting is planned for April 29th through May 1st, 2014 in Fort Worth, TX.

These annual meetings provide a forum for sharing best practices and lessons learned among participants and include top notch presenters from both the FAA and industry. This meeting promises to be bigger and better than ever!

The SMSFG is a valuable tool in providing a two-way communication mechanism between the SMS Program Office and participants implementing SMS through the Voluntary Pilot Project.

[SMSFG Registration information.](#)

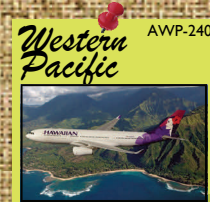
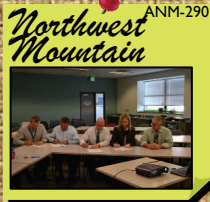
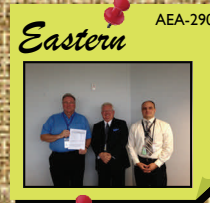
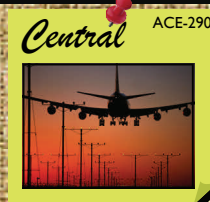
SMS...Something You Do, Not Some "Thing" You Have

article by Robert Sumwalt, NTSB

It's difficult to go to an aviation conference these days without hearing chatter about safety management systems (SMSs). And, judging from some of the rhetoric I've overheard, many of these conversations reveal that some people are trying to make SMS overly difficult. For example, I attended an SMS workshop at last year's NBAA convention. After the requisite presentations, someone in the back of the room stood up and, in some what of a complaining tone, asked rhetorically why a corporate flight department should incorporate SMS. He contended that the requirements were arduous, cumbersome and expensive. My answer to this would be to forget SMS. That's right—**just forget it.** ([click for entire article](#)).

What's Happening in the Regions?

"Click" a sticky note below to get the regional news.



SMS Pilot Project Participants

Pilot Project Participants / Total Certificate Holders

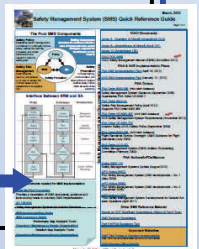
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	121	135	145	141	142
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ACE	6/6	4/146	0/322	0/30	1/28
AEA	14/16	17/338	4/1106	0/104	0/8
AGL	15/17	12/252	2/325	2/66	0/8
ANM	7/8	7/252	0/325	0/84	0/38
ASO	18/18	11/304	4/795	1/98	0/19
ASW	6/6	14/217	3/677	0/86	0/36
AWP	12/12	17/333	1/994	1/119	0/13
All	83/88	86/2148	14/4800	4/576	1/148

SMS Quick Reference Guide

Provides quick and easy access to all of the current SMS Guidance and Tools.

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SMS and SAS... what's the connection?



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