



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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NOTICE

U.S.-France Third-Country Code Share Opportunities

Under the June 1998 aviation agreement between the United States and France, the United States may, effective April 1999, designate a third U.S. carrier to operate code-share services via an intermediate third-country.¹ In addition, effective April 1999, among the three U.S. designated airlines, two additional partnerships may be added with third-country airlines for code-share operations via intermediate third countries.

By this notice we request that all U.S. air carriers interested in making use of the April 1999 third-country code-share opportunities file applications for those 1999 services with the Department no later than February 8, 1999. Answers to such applications should be filed February 16, 1999. Replies to answers should be filed February 19, 1999.

Carriers without requisite operating authority should file exemption/designation applications and requests for statements of authorization to serve the affected markets in conjunction with their third-country code-share partners. Carriers with the requisite underlying authority and statements of authorization need only file requests for a designation. All applications should include, at a minimum, the following information: (a) the proposed startup date; (b) the markets to be served, frequencies per market, and duration of service in each market, if not to be provided on a year-round basis; (c) type of aircraft to be used; (d) the code-share partner involved and the country and specific intermediate point over which the services will be provided; and (e) existing authority held to conduct the operations, if applicable. In addition, carriers must provide as a part of their applications, copies of the relevant cooperative service arrangements. Applicants are free to submit any additional information that they believe will help us in making our decision.

Except for the procedural dates, exemption applications should conform to part 302, Subpart D of our regulations (14 CFR Part 302). All applications (for operating authority and/or designation) should be filed with the Department of Transportation, Dockets, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590.²

¹ United Air Lines, Inc. and Northwest Airlines, Inc. are currently authorized to provide third-country code-services. (See Order 98-6-5.)

² The original submission is to be unbound and without tabs on 8 ½" x 11" white paper using dark ink (not green) to facilitate use of the Department's docket imaging system.

We will serve this notice on all U.S. certificated air carriers.

By:

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