

## Appendix 3. Abbreviations/Acronyms

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

Abbreviation/ Acronym	Meaning
AAWU . . . . .	Alaskan Aviation Weather Unit
AAS . . . . .	Airport Advisory Service
AAM . . . . .	Advanced Air Mobility
AC . . . . .	Advisory Circular
ACAR . . . . .	Aircraft Communications Addressing and Reporting System
ADCUS . . . . .	Advise Customs
ADDS . . . . .	Aviation Digital Data Service
ADF . . . . .	Automatic Direction Finder
ADIZ . . . . .	Air Defense Identification Zone
ADS-B . . . . .	Automatic Dependent Surveillance–Broadcast
AFB . . . . .	Air Force Base
AFCS . . . . .	Automatic Flight Control System
AFIS . . . . .	Automatic Flight Information Service
AFM . . . . .	Aircraft Flight Manual
AGL . . . . .	Above Ground Level
AHRS . . . . .	Attitude Heading Reference System
AIM . . . . .	Aeronautical Information Manual
AIRMET . . . . .	Airmen’s Meteorological Information
AIS . . . . .	Aeronautical Information Services
ALD . . . . .	Available Landing Distance
ALDARS . . . . .	Automated Lightning Detection and Reporting System
ALS . . . . .	Approach Light Systems
AMSL . . . . .	Above Mean Sea Level
ANP . . . . .	Actual Navigation Performance
AOCC . . . . .	Airline Operations Control Center
AP . . . . .	Autopilot System
APV . . . . .	Approach with Vertical Guidance
AR . . . . .	Authorization Required
ARENA . . . . .	Areas Noted for Attention
ARFF IC . . . . .	Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Incident Commander
ARINC . . . . .	Aeronautical Radio Incorporated
ARO . . . . .	Airport Reservations Office
ARSA . . . . .	Airport Radar Service Area
ARSR . . . . .	Air Route Surveillance Radar
ARTCC . . . . .	Air Route Traffic Control Center
ARTS . . . . .	Automated Radar Terminal System
ASDE-X . . . . .	Airport Surface Detection Equipment – Model X
ASOS . . . . .	Automated Surface Observing System
ASR . . . . .	Airport Surveillance Radar

Abbreviation/ Acronym	Meaning
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
ATO . . . . .	Air Traffic Organization
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
BVLOS . . . . .	Beyond Visual Line of Sight
C/A . . . . .	Coarse Acquisition
CARTS . . . . .	Common Automated Radar Terminal System (ARTS) (to include ARTS IIIIE and ARTS IIE)
CAT . . . . .	Clear Air Turbulence
CBO . . . . .	Community–Based Organization
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 . . . . .	Chartered Visual Flight Procedure
CVRS . . . . .	Computerized Voice Reservation System
CWA . . . . .	Center Weather Advisory
CWSU . . . . .	Center Weather Service Unit
DA . . . . .	Decision Altitude