Aeronav vs. Jeppesen: IFR Charting Compared

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## Intent of this seminar

- No advocacy
- Straight comparison
  - Where the product shines
  - Where the product falls short
- How do you buy it?
  - Packaging
  - Cost
  - Paper
  - Electronic

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## Scope of this seminar

- We assume State of California coverage
- We will cover
  - Approach charts
  - Airport charts
- We will not cover
  - En route charts
  - Departure and arrival charts
  - · Preface and end matter
    - With some exceptions
- Time limitations
  - Let us know other detail you want

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# Buying Aeronav on paper

- Terminal Procedures Publication
  - · Perfect bound
  - 4-hole loose leaf flip-up (and 4-ring binder)
- 56-day AIRAC cycle based
  - Entire book is replaced
- 28-day mid-cycle bound change notice
  - Replacement pages
  - No one buys this (\$0.85)
- California TPP requires two volumes
  - SW-2 Northern California (\$5.95)
  - SW-3 Southern California (\$5.95)
- California En Route charts (minus Sierras)
  - L1/L2 (\$5.25)
  - L3/L4 (\$5.25)

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# Buying Aeronav electronically

- Content is free
- Pay for the packaging
- Ubiquitous
  - aeronav.faa.gov
  - flightaware.com
  - aopa.org
  - airnav.com
  - All iPad apps
- Panel avionics
  - Garmin FliteCharts
    - GNS 530, GTN 750, G500, G600, G1000, GMX 200

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## Buying Jeppesen on paper

- Airway Manual
  - California coverage in one product
    - Terminal charts
    - En route charts
    - Area charts
  - Standard revision service
    - One-year subscription (\$163.00)
    - Initial full content
    - Mailed 14-day changes inserted by hand
  - Express service
    - Standard service, smaller coverage area
  - "Trip kit"
    - One time (no updates) full content (\$56.00)

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# Buying Jeppesen electronic

- Various coverages to save money
  - Full US
  - Western US
  - California (\$130.00)
- Products
  - JeppView 5-install for panel avionics
    - G1000, G500, G600, GNS 530, GTN 750, GMX 200
    - Extra installs can go on PC, tablet
  - JeppView 4-install for PCs, tablets
  - Mobile FliteDeck IFR 1-install for iPad
    - Announced at AirVenture, ostensible ForeFlight competitor: Full US (\$299.00)

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# Paper product sequence

#### Aeronav

- 1. Legends
- 2. Appendices
- 3. Terminal charts
  - State
    - STARs
    - City
      - Airport
        - Approaches
        - Airport Diag
        - SIDs/ODPs

### Jeppesen

- 1. Introduction
- 2. En route/area
- 3. Terminal charts
  - State
    - City
      - · Airport
        - STARs
        - SIDs/ODPs
        - Specials
        - Airport Diag
        - Approaches

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## Paper product sequence

#### **Aeronav**

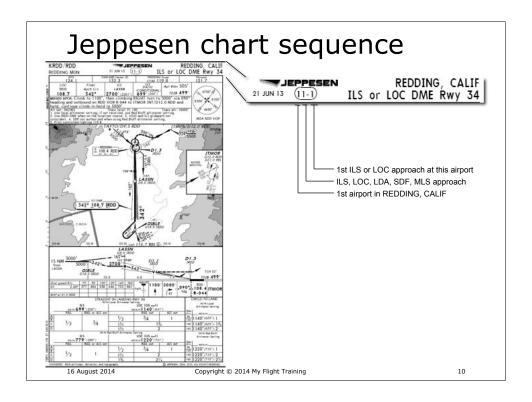
- Appendices are important
  - Minimums, alternates, radar
  - Cross-referenced with A and T
- INDEX is your friend
  - Find all charts related to an airport
- STARs are shared by multiple airports
  - · Sort before airports

### Jeppesen

- Pages within airport sequenced
  - 10-3, 10-9, 11-1
  - Approaches sorted by final guidance, runway
- 14-day updates packaged in this sequence
  - So you can apply update in 1 pass

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# Sourcing and legal authority

- Aeronav and Jeppesen publish
  - Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) charts
    - These are published as amendments to FAR 97 and are regulatory as specified in FAR 91.175(a).
    - Source
      - ICAO "state"
      - United States
        - FAA or DoD
      - · Identified in chart amendment text
  - "State" text is reproduced verbatim
    - Missed approach procedure
    - Chart notes

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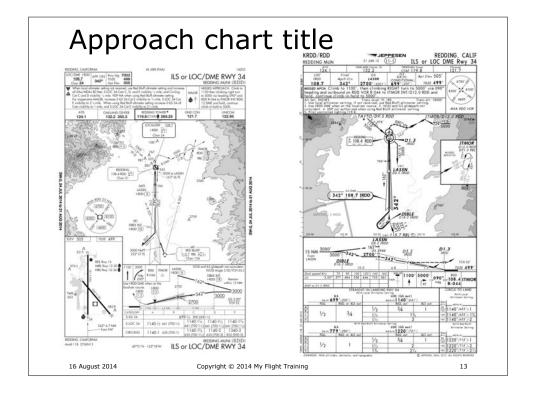
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# Approach chart title

- The instrument approach chart title names
  - the navigation aid(s) providing guidance on the final approach segment
  - whether straight-in or circling minimums are depicted on the chart
- Titles same except for punctuation
  - Jeppesen renders solidus as space
    - VOR DME vice VOR/DME

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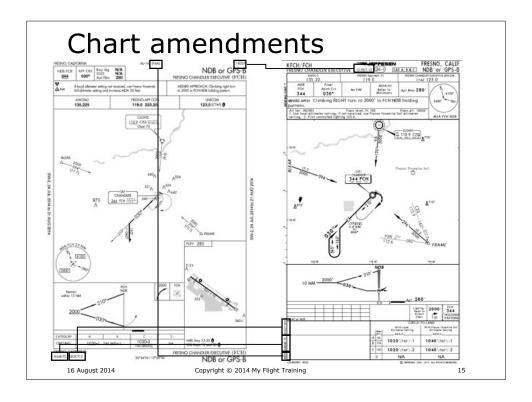


## Chart amendments

- Chart issue/effective date
  - Any change including typography
    - Aeronav: Julian date
    - Jeppesen: **dd-mmm-yy** issue date
- Chart procedure change date
  - Track, altitudes, minimums, notes
- Chart amendment number
  - Assigned by FAA
  - Same on both

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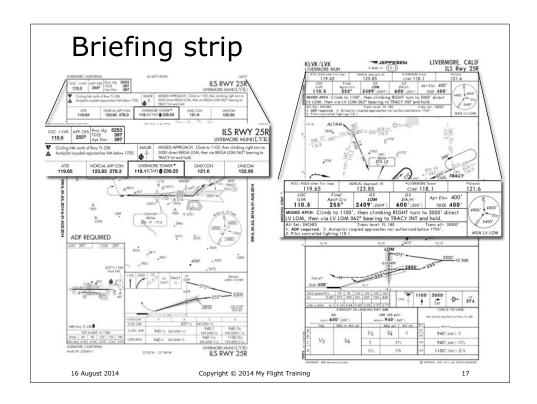


# Briefing strip

- DOT Volpe human factors initiative
  - Jeppesen jumped first
  - Then NACO
  - All old-format charts gone (I believe)
- Avionics setup
  - Communications: order of use
    - Jeppesen shows radar, part-time facilities
  - Navigation: frequency, course, ident
- Differences
  - Landing data, lighting systems, MSA
    - Find these elsewhere on chart

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## **Planview**

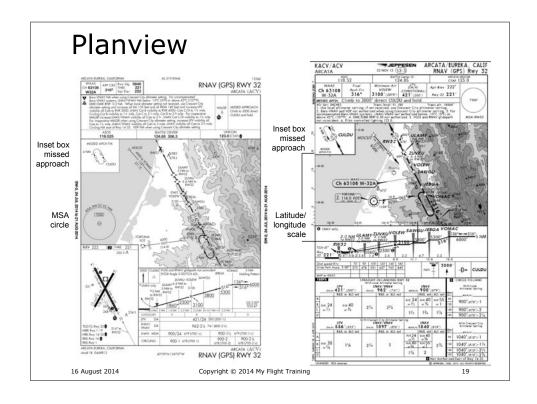
#### Aeronav

- Planview doesn't shrink
- Not-to-scale features
  - Scale rings
    - Feeder facilities
    - En route facilities
    - May be deprecated
  - Scale breaks
  - Inset boxes
- MSA circle overlay

### Jeppesen

- Planview gets squeezed by hypertrophic minimums table
- Always to-scale
  - Inset boxes
- Lat-lon edge scale
- No MSA overlay
  - In briefing strip

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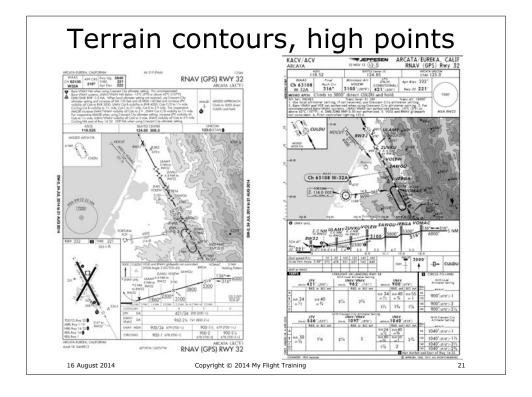


# Terrain contours, high points

- Terrain contour charting criteria
  - Planview terrain rises 4000 HAA
  - Terrain < 6 nm ARP rises 2000 HAA
- Spot elevations
  - Very inconsistent
  - Criteria for charting unknown
  - Various symbols
  - Highest point distinguished by type size or bold arrow

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## Profile view

#### Aeronav

- Constant rate of descent track
  - May falsely imply constant rate achieves crossing altitudes
    - Not true outside FAF
- GS/TCH
- VDA
- Remote notes for LNAV

#### Jeppesen

- Descent track
  - Precision
    - Feathers for ILS, MLS, LPV GS/GP
  - Non-precision
    - LOC track dashed
- PFAF not charted
  - No lightning bolt
- GS/TCH
- VDA
- Remote notes for LNAV

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# Missed approach profile

#### Aeronav

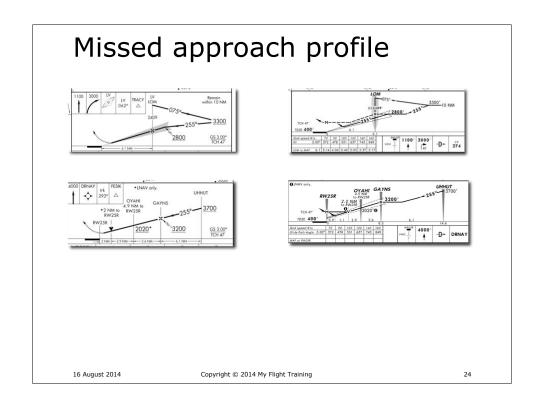
- All minimums misses
  - Not shown!
- Best minimum
  - Solid-to-dashed up-turning arrow
- Worse minimums
  - Fix over threshold
  - MAP not charted
  - FAF to MAP row in timing table

### Jeppesen

- All misses shown
  - Upward-turning arrow for each
  - RNAV can have 3
- Non-precision MAP
  - Marked M
  - Fix
  - Timing table
  - GPS MAP

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### Profile view altitudes

#### Aeronav

- 2000 minimum
- 2000 maximum
- 2000 mandatory
- 2000 recommended
- NP FAF
  - Maltese cross
  - Glideslope alt
- P FAF
  - Lightning bolt

### Jeppesen

- 2000 minimum
- 2000 MAXIMUM
- 2000 MANDATORY
- 2000 RECOMMENDED
- NP FAF
  - Maltese cross
  - Glideslope alt
- P FAF
  - Not charted

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# Profile view runway depiction

#### Aeronav

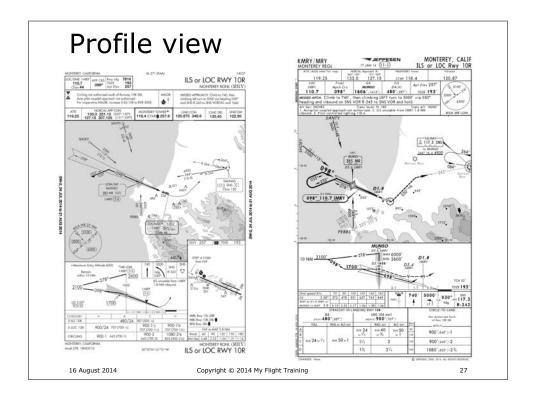
- Straight-in runway data
  - In briefing strip
    - Landing distance
    - TDZE or THRE
    - Airport elevation
  - In airport sketch
    - in an port sketch
    - Runway length
    - TDZE or THRE
    - Airport elevation
  - Not in profile

### Jeppesen

- Runway lengths
  - Nowhere on chart
  - Consult airport diagram
- Airport elevation
  - Briefing strip
- TDZE or Rwy
  - Briefing strip
  - Profile runway depiction
  - Rwy marks THRE

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# Descent/timing table

- Provides timing from FAF to MAP
  - By groundspeed
  - Required for non-precision approaches where timing is a MAP option
- May be only way of identifying MAP
  - If no fix or station at MAP
  - Distance FAF to MAP is shown

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## Timing/descent table

#### Aeronav

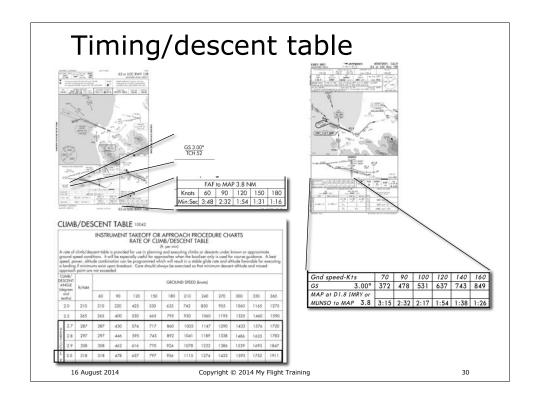
- Timing FAF to MAP required or optional:
  - Below airport sketch
    - FAF to MAP dist
    - Selected groundspeeds
    - Time FAF to MAP
- Timing not authorized:
  - Table omitted
  - RNAV, DME

### Jeppesen

- Always provided
  - Unused rows left blank
  - Four rows
    - 1. Selected groundspeeds
    - 2. Glideslope or glidepath vertical speed
    - 3. Vertical descent angle (VDA) vertical speed
    - 4. Time FAF to MAP

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## Airport sketch

#### Aeronav

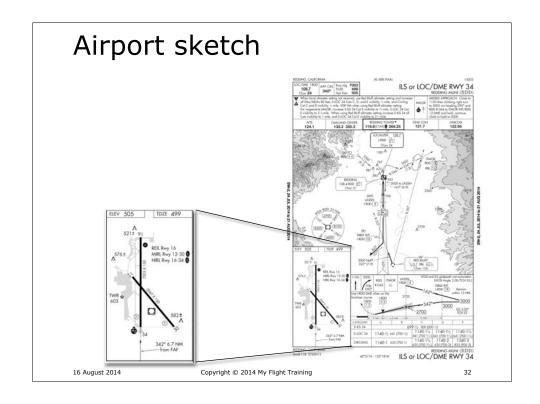
- Mini depiction of airport
  - Same graphic as A/FD
- Depicts
  - arrival of final approach segment
  - obstructions
  - runway lengths
  - lighting
  - elevations
- Declared distances
  - D references A/FD

#### Jeppesen

- None
- Elsewhere on chart
  - Elevations
  - Approach lighting
  - VGSI
- Refer to airport diagram page
  - Lighting
  - Runway lengths
  - Obstructions

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### **Minimums**

#### Aeronav

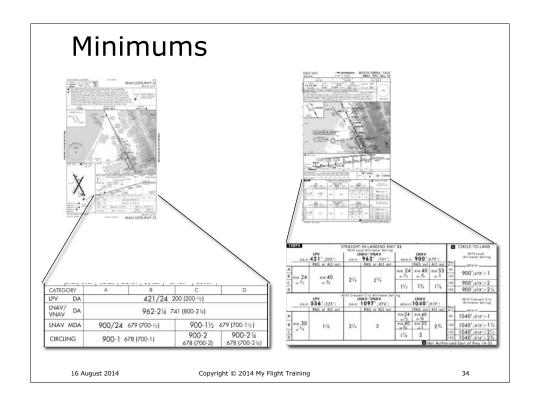
- Best to worst, top to bottom
- Multiple tables for optional minimums
  - DME minimums
  - · Stepdown fixes
- Pilot must compute and apply minimum penalties for
  - Inoperative components
  - Remote altimeter sources

#### Jeppesen

- Best to worst, left to right
- Multiple tables for optional minimums
  - DME minimums
  - Optional stepdowns
- Penalty minimum columns computed
  - Inoperative components
  - INOP override notes
  - Remote altimeter sources
  - Unless space limited

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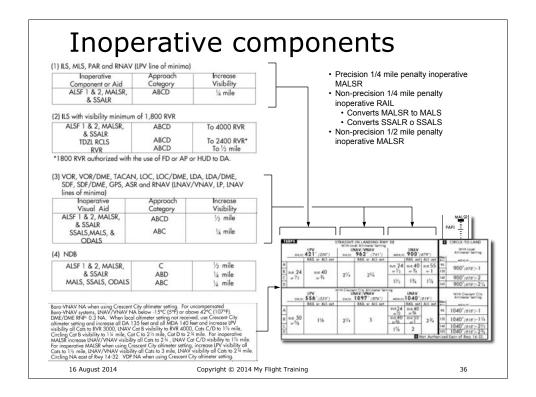


## Inoperative components

- Jeppesen
  - Applies all standard inoperative penalties from the TPP INOP table
  - Applies INOP table overrides from the chart notes
  - Applies remote altimeter source penalties
  - Sometimes runs out of room
    - Remote notes used
  - Can squeeze out the plan view

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# Airport diagram

#### Aeronav

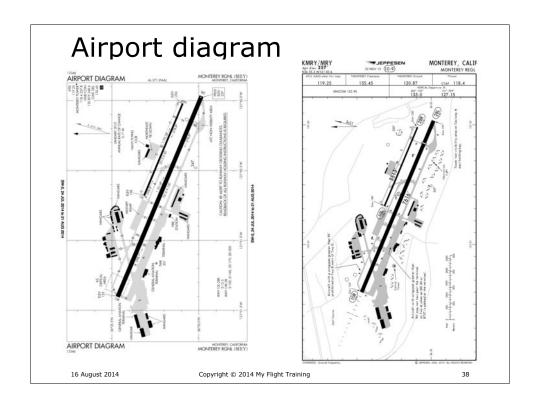
- Full-page diagram
  - Same as A/FD fullpage diagrams (selected airports)
- Lat/lon
- Taxiways (gray)
  - Designators
- Runways (black)
  - Lengths
  - Slopes
  - Magnetic direction

#### Jeppesen

- Location (page #)
  - Dedicated (10-9)
  - Reverse of 1st approach (e.g., 11-1)
  - Large airport multipage (10-9, 10-9A)
- Airport diagram
- Runway data
- Takeoff minimums
- Departure procedures
- Alternate minimums

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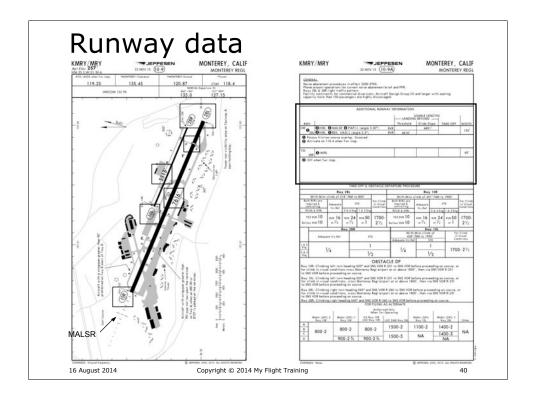


## Runway data

- Magnetic direction
- Slope (Aeronav)
- Declared distances (Aeronav D)
  - Runway length
  - Displaced thresholds
  - Landing distance available
  - Landing distance at glideslope RPI
- Lighting (Jeppesen)
  - Edge
  - VGSI
  - ALS
  - PCL

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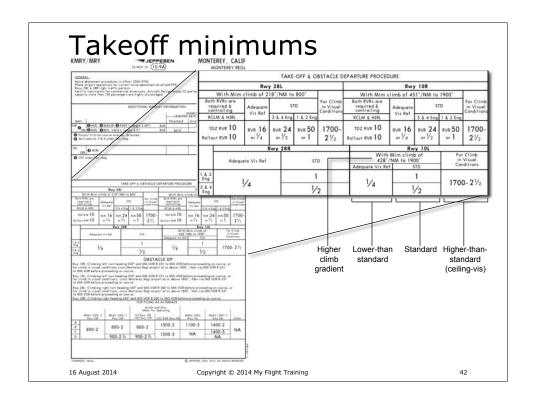


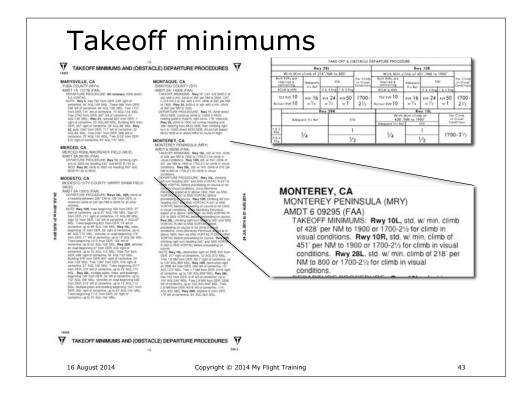
## Takeoff minimums

- Aeronav cross-references via
  - Else, standard takeoff minimums:
    - 1/2 sm: 3-, 4-engine aircraft
    - 1 sm: 1-, 2-engine aircraft
- Jeppesen
  - For each runway
    - Lower-than-standard (commercial ops)
    - Standard
    - Higher-than standard (ceiling-vis)
    - NA (not authorized for IFR departure)

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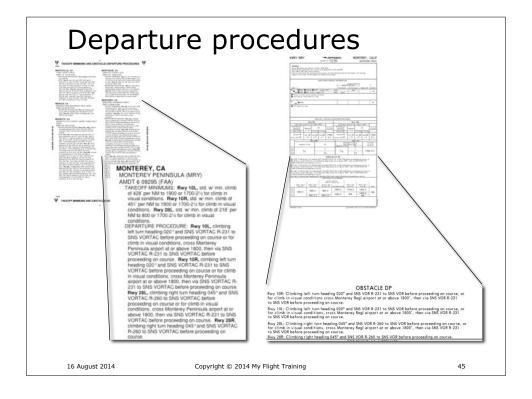


# Departure procedures

- Aeronav cross-references via
  - Absence of means standard departure procedure
- Jeppesen airport chart
  - Blank box means standard departure procedure
- Both reference graphical ODPs in many new cases (especially RNAV)
- Departure procedure and takeoff minimums must be read in tandem

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### Alternate minimums

#### Aeronav

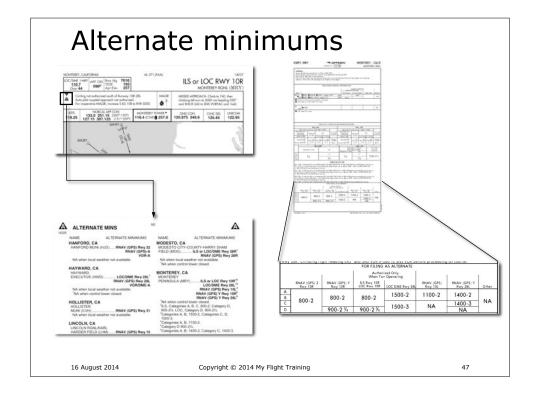
- Approach chart notes:
  - No icon: standard
  - ANA: this approach not authorized
  - A: refer to TPP Section M for nonstandard overrides
- Section M:
  - Footnote structure
  - Notes, limitations
  - · Non-standard mins
    - · By category
    - By approach

### Jeppesen

- Airport chart
  - Standard
  - Non-standard
  - Not authorized
  - All merged
  - Notes, limitations appear above column

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## Summary

- Similarities
  - Symbology
  - Briefing strip
- Distinctions
  - Cost, updating, ease of interpretation
- Aeronav
  - Airport sketch
  - Plan view size
- Jeppesen
  - No remote tables, appendices
  - All standard, non-standard minimums interpolated

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### Recommendations

- Whichever charting system you use
  - Know how to find information
    - Sequence of charts
    - Chart-to-chart cross references
    - Glossaries, legends, tables
  - Know how to update it
    - Revision system
    - Amendment numbering

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