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RADAR ASSOCIATE
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NONRADAR***

Lesson 1: Longitudinal Separation










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LESSON PLAN DATA SHEET

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Handout(s)	<input type="radio"/> Practice Exercise
Exercise / Activity	Refer to handout for: <input type="radio"/> Practice Exercise 1, Applying 44 Knot and 22 Knot Separation <input type="radio"/> Practice Exercise 2, Applying Same Course Separation <input type="radio"/> Practice Exercise 3, Applying Opposite Course Separation
Scenario	NONE
Assessments	YES - Written
Materials and Equipment	<input type="radio"/> Pencil and/or pen
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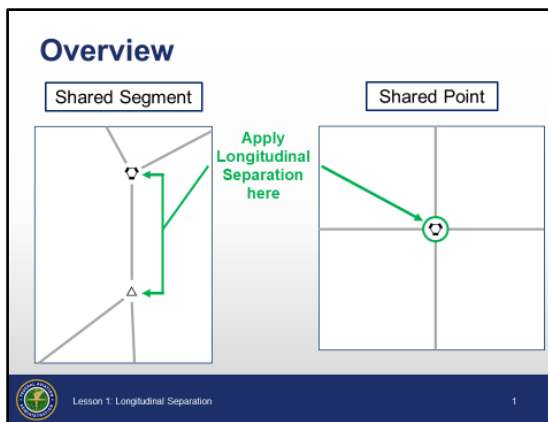
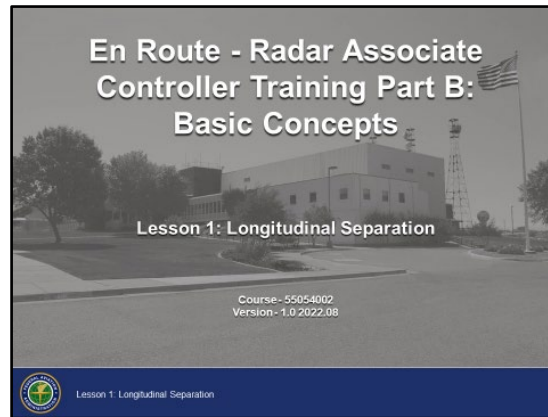
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LESSON INTRODUCTION

Overview

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Overview



LONGITUDINAL SEPARATION - The longitudinal spacing of aircraft at the same altitude by a minimum distance expressed in units of time or miles.

Anytime aircraft at the same altitude share the same route, either a point or a line segment, longitudinal separation may be used.

This lesson will cover longitudinal separation and its application in air traffic control situations.


LESSON INTRODUCTION (CONT'D)

Lesson Objectives

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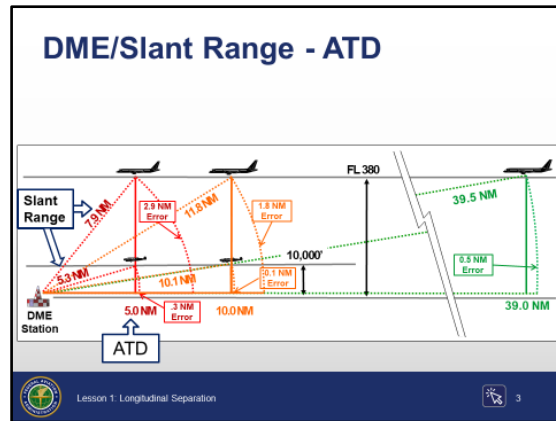
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SEPARATION MINIMA

DME Slant Range - ATD

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25B, Glossary



DME Slant Range - ATD



DISTANCE MEASURING EQUIPMENT (DME) - Equipment (airborne and ground) used to measure, in nautical miles, the slant range distance of an aircraft from the DME navigational aid.



SLANT RANGE - The horizontal distance from the aircraft antenna to the ground station, due to line-of-sight transmission of the DME signal.



ALONG-TRACK DISTANCE (ATD) - The horizontal distance between the aircraft's current position and a fix measured by an area navigation (RNAV) system that is not subject to slant-range errors.

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SEPARATION MINIMA *(CONT'D)*

DME/Slant Range - ATD (Cont'd)

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pars. 6-1-1, 6-4-
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Use mileage-based (DME and/or ATD) procedures and minima only when direct pilot/controller VHF or UHF voice communications are maintained

☉ Use mileage based procedures and minima between:

- DME equipped aircraft
- RNAV equipped aircraft using ATD
- DME and ATD aircraft:
 - Provided the DME aircraft is either 10,000' or below, or outside of 10 miles from the DME NAVAID, or
 - Advise the pilot of an RNAV aircraft to use DME distances when applying DME separation along VOR airways/routes



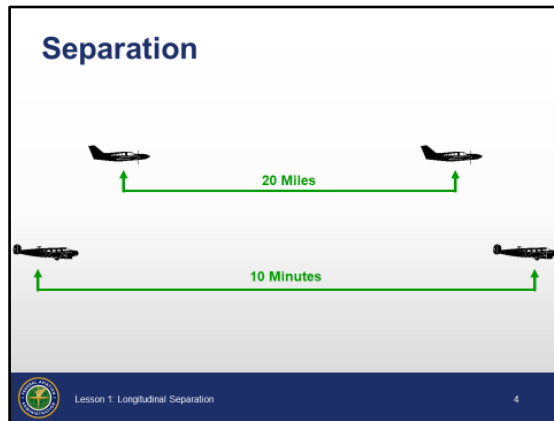
USE DME DISTANCES

NOTE: Not all RNAV aircraft are capable of reporting slant range. For example, GPS reports distance-to-waypoint as ATD. This is the reason for the 10,000'/10 mile limitation.

SEPARATION MINIMA (CONT'D)

Separation

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6-4-2



Separation

⊙ 20 miles or 10 minutes

- This is the standard if no other rules apply
- Other rules may allow for lower separation minima

Example: The 44 knot rule allows for 5 miles or 3 minutes.

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES

Climbing Through an Altitude

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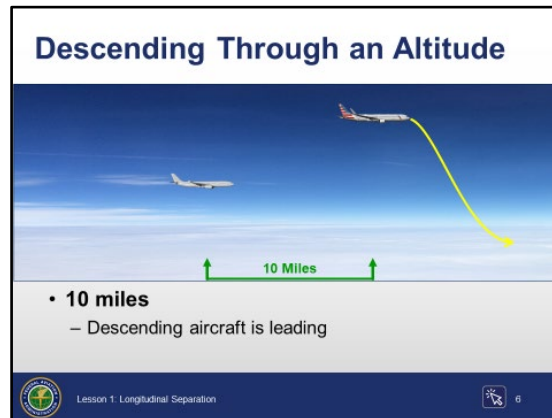
Climbing Through an Altitude

- ⦿ 10 Miles may be applied when a following aircraft is climbing through the altitude of a leading aircraft
 - Used between:
 - DME equipped aircraft
 - RNAV equipped aircraft using ATD
 - DME and ATD aircraft, provided the DME aircraft is either 10,000' or below or outside of 10 miles from the DME NAVAID
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SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Descending Through an Altitude

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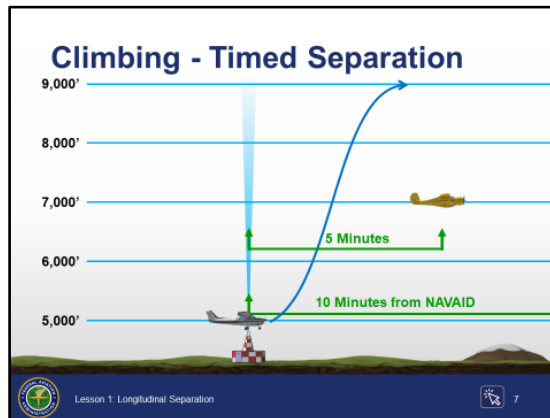
Descending Through an Altitude

- ⦿ 10 Miles may be applied when a leading aircraft is descending through the altitude of a following aircraft
 - Used between:
 - DME equipped aircraft
 - RNAV equipped aircraft using ATD
 - DME and ATD aircraft, provided the DME aircraft is either 10,000' or below or outside of 10 miles from the DME NAVAID
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SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

Climbing - Timed Separation

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Climbing - Timed Separation

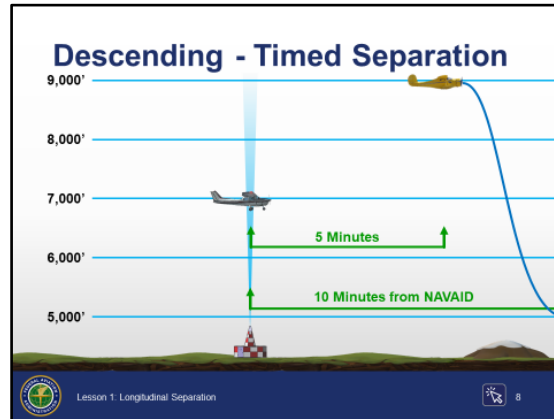
- ⦿ 5 minutes may be applied when:
 - Climbing aircraft is following
 - Aircraft are separated by not more than 4,000' when the altitude change started
 - Altitude change starts within 10 minutes after a following aircraft reports over a fix reported over by the leading aircraft or has acknowledged a clearance specifying the time to cross the same fix
- ⦿ Position reporting
 - When a position report affecting separation is not received, take action to obtain the report no later than 5 minutes after the aircraft was estimated over the fix
 - Do not require an aircraft to make the same position report to more than one facility

NOTE: Position reporting requirements are applicable to all types of separation.

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

Descending - Timed Separation

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Descending - Timed Separation



- ⦿ 5 minutes may be applied when:
 - Descending aircraft is leading
 - Aircraft are separated by not more than 4,000' when the altitude change started
 - Altitude change is started within 10 minutes after a following aircraft reports over a fix reported over by the leading aircraft or has acknowledged a clearance specifying the time to cross the same fix
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SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check
What is the minimum DME longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the front aircraft descending?

A. 10 miles
B. 20 miles
C. 30 miles

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Question: What is the minimum DME longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the front aircraft descending?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

What is the maximum altitude difference allowed when using timed longitudinal separation for the leading aircraft to descend?

- A. 1,000'
- B. 2,000'
- C. 4,000'



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Question: What is the maximum altitude difference allowed when using timed longitudinal separation for the leading aircraft to descend?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check
What is the minimum DME longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the trailing aircraft climbing?

A. 20 miles
B. 15 miles
C. 10 miles

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Question: What is the minimum DME longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the trailing aircraft climbing?



SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

What is the minimum longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the front aircraft climbing?

- A. 10 minutes or 20 miles
- B. 5 minutes or 10 miles
- C. 3 minutes or 5 miles

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Question: What is the minimum longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the front aircraft climbing?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

You have two non-DME aircraft in-trail, and the trailing aircraft requests a climb. What is the maximum time to start the altitude change using timed longitudinal separation?

- A. 5 minutes after the leading aircraft reports over a fix reported by the following aircraft
- B. 10 minutes after the request for the altitude change following the leading aircraft on similar routes
- C. 10 minutes after the following aircraft reports over a fix reported by the leading aircraft



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Question: You have two non-DME aircraft in-trail, and the trailing aircraft requests a climb. What is the maximum time to start the altitude change using timed longitudinal separation?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

What is the minimum longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the trailing aircraft descending?

- A. 5 minutes or 10 miles
- B. 10 minutes or 20 miles
- C. 15 minutes or 30 miles



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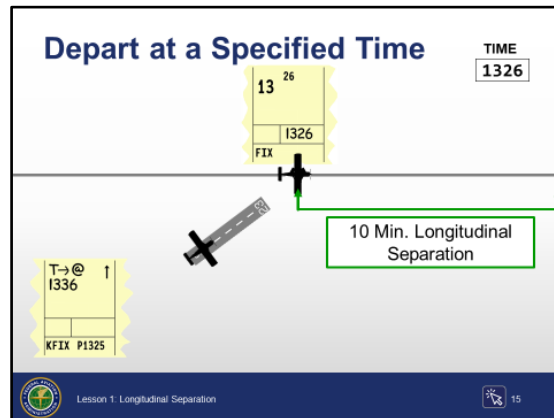


Question: What is the minimum longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail with the trailing aircraft descending?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Depart at a Specified Time

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Depart at a Specified Time

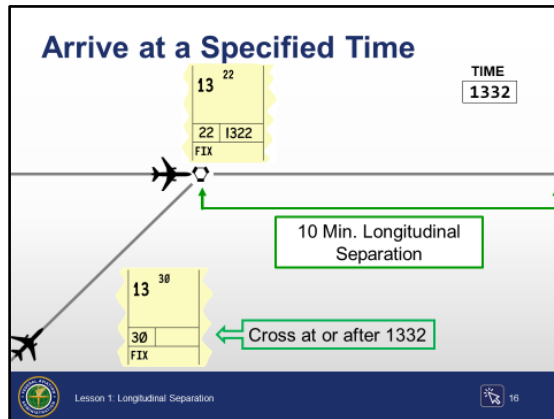
- ⦿ Instructions may be issued to a departure to ensure proper longitudinal separation

Example: "DEPART AT 1336, CLEARANCE VOID IF NOT OFF BY 1350"

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

Arrive at a Specified Time

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pars. 6-4-1, 6-4-
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Arrive at a Specified Time

- ⦿ An en route aircraft may be restricted to cross a fix at or before or at or after a specified time
 - If able, aircraft will adjust its speed to accommodate the restriction



CROSS (fix) AT OR BEFORE (time)



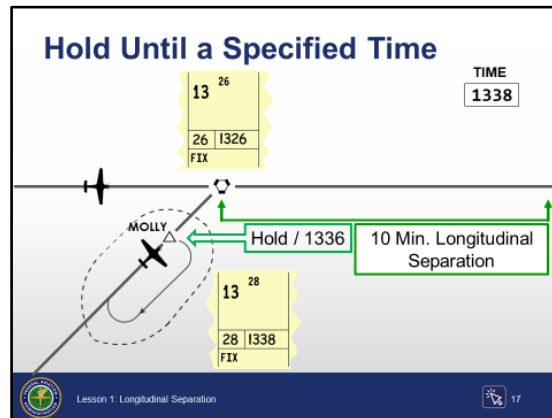
CROSS (fix) AT OR AFTER (time)

Example: "CROSS HVQ VORTAC AT OR AFTER 1332"

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Hold Until a Specified Time

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Hold Until a Specified Time

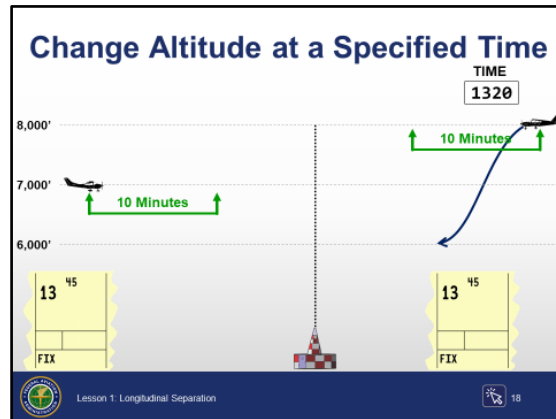
- ⦿ If an aircraft cannot adjust its speed to follow another by the appropriate minima, a hold may be issued to ensure longitudinal separation

Example: "HOLD SOUTHWEST OF MOLLY AS PUBLISHED UNTIL 1336 THEN PROCEED ON COURSE"

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Change Altitude at a Specified Time

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Change Altitude at a Specified Time

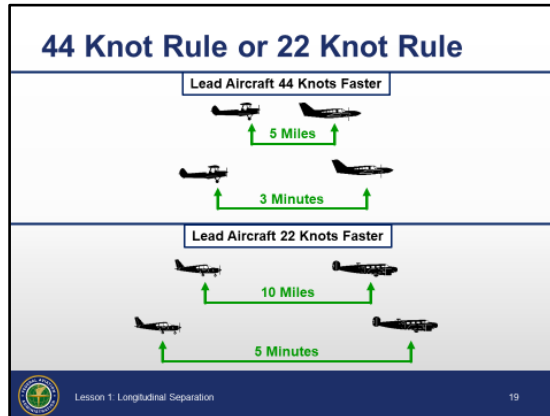
- ⦿ When controlling by time vertical separation must be accomplished 10 minutes before the aircraft cross

Example: "DESCEND AND MAINTAIN 6,000. DESCEND AS TO BE LEVEL BY 1335, TIME 1320"

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

44 or 22 Knot Rule

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6-4-2



44 Knot Rule or 22 Knot Rule

- ⊙ The 10 minute or 20 mile longitudinal standard can be reduced in situations where the leading aircraft is 44 knots or 22 knots faster than the following aircraft if the following conditions are met:
 - A departing aircraft follows a preceding aircraft which has taken off from the same or adjacent airport
 - A departing aircraft follows a preceding en route aircraft which has reported over a fix serving the departure airport
 - An en route aircraft follows a preceding en route aircraft which has reported over the same fix
- ⊙ Minima:
 - 44 knot leading aircraft
 - 5 miles
 - 3 minutes
 - 22 knot leading aircraft
 - 10 miles
 - 5 minutes

NOTE: A faster leading aircraft must either depart the same/adjacent airport or report a common fix before this reduced separation can be applied. This cannot be applied to aircraft in-trail without a position report.



SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

A position report affecting separation has not been received. What is the maximum time before you take action to obtain this report?

- A. 3 minutes
- B. 5 minutes
- C. 10 minutes

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Question: A position report affecting separation has not been received. What is the maximum time before you take action to obtain this report?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check
What is a key component of applying 44 or 22 knot rules?

- A. Aircraft must fly identical routes until either 10 minute or 20 NM DME separation can be obtained
- B. Both aircraft must remain at the same altitude to avoid ground speed differences caused by varying upper winds
- C. Aircraft must depart the same or adjacent airports or follow a preceding en route aircraft which has reported over the same fix

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Question: What is a key component of applying 44 or 22 knot rules?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

You are providing DME separation between a RNAV aircraft and a DME aircraft. What are the altitude and/or distance limitations for this type of separation?

- A. The RNAV aircraft must be at or above 5,000' AGL and 5 miles from the no-signal area
- B. The DME aircraft is either 10,000' or below or outside of 10 miles from the DME NAVAID
- C. Both aircraft should be above FL180 without any distance limitations



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Question: You are providing DME separation between a RNAV aircraft and a DME aircraft. What are the altitude and/or distance limitations for this type of separation?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

What is slant range?

- A. The distance, following the curve of the earth, that DME aircraft use to determine along track distance
- B. The distance from the aircraft to the ground station, due to line-of-sight transmission of the DME signal
- C. The distance off-course caused by the widening of an airway that occurs as an aircraft gets farther from a NAVAID



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Question: What is slant range?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

When may mileage-based procedures and minima be used for separation?

- A. Only along airways designated for the purpose and indicated on en route high/low charts
- B. Only when requested by the pilots
- C. Only when direct pilot/controller VHF or UHF voice communications are maintained



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Question: When may mileage-based procedures and minima be used for separation?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES *(CONT'D)*

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check
What type of aircraft utilize Along Track Distances?

A. RNAV aircraft
B. Military TACAN aircraft
C. All aircraft certified for IFR flight

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Question: What type of aircraft utilize Along Track Distances?

PRACTICE EXERCISE 1: APPLYING 44 OR 22 KNOT SEPARATION

Practice Exercise 1: Applying 44 or 22 Knot Separation

- **Purpose**

- Apply the 44 or 22 knot rule for longitudinal separation

- **Materials**

- Practice exercise 1 from Lesson 1 handout
- Pen or pencil

- **Directions**

- This exercise takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. Scan the map and flight strips. Write your answers to questions 1-4 in the space provided, indicating whether the 44 or 22 knot rule can be applied to the situation. You are limited to using longitudinal separation only.



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Purpose

Apply the 44 or 22 knot rule for longitudinal separation

Materials



Handout:

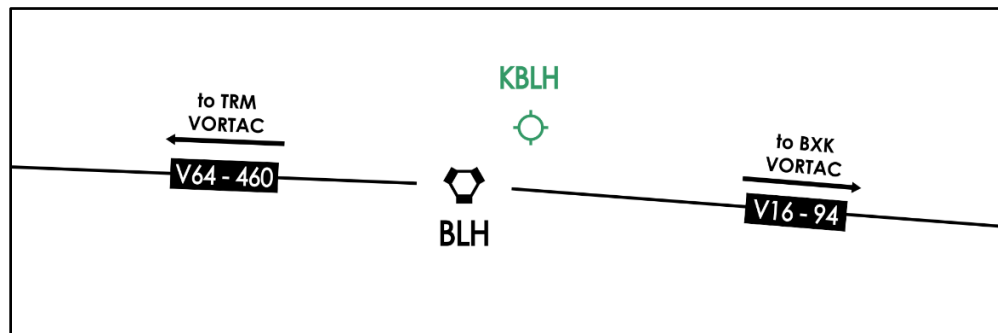
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1.



N84PR C414/T T210 G212 02 226 01	BXK 0220	02 ⁴⁷ 0247 BLH	80✓	TRM	KDVT PXR V16 BLH V64 SLI KLGB	1572
N21HA C310/T T168 02 206 01		↑ KBLH P0225	80	TRM 80	KBLH BLH V64 HEMET KHMT/0100	2167

Time is 0248. What is the earliest time N21HA may be released? Explain your answer.

PRACTICE EXERCISE 1: APPLYING 44 OR 22 KNOT SEPARATION (CONT'D)

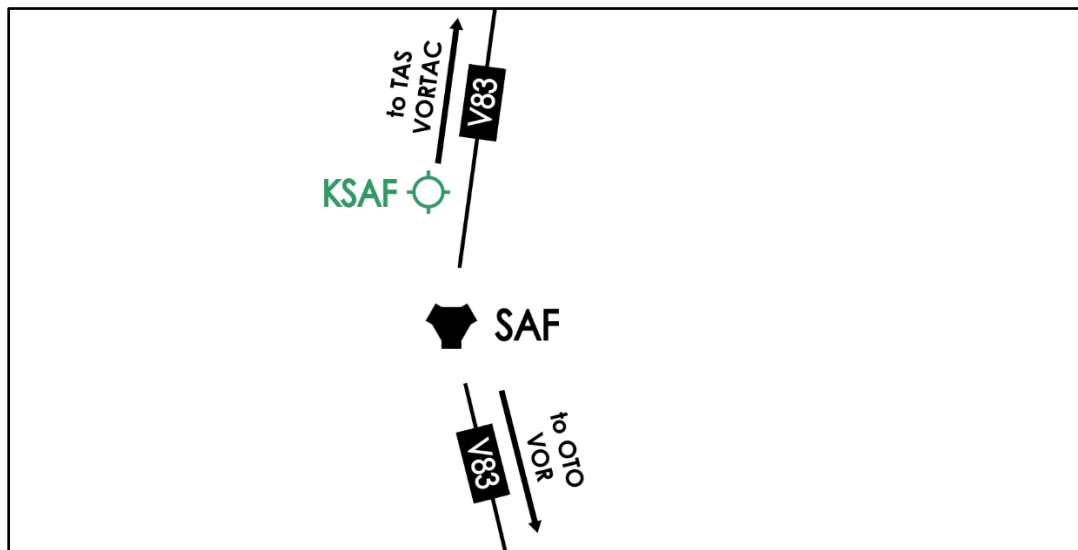
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N7193U R22/G T85 49 539 01		↑		ALMON	KTUS TUS V105 PXR KPHX/0031	4220
		KTUS P1722		80		
N75VC SH36/A T185 49 079 01		↑	↑80	ALMON	KTUS TUS V105 PXR KPHX/0105	4366
						D-A
		KTUS P1722		80	CLV30	

Time is 1726. What is the earliest time N7193U may be released? Explain your answer.

PRACTICE EXERCISE 1: APPLYING 44 OR 22 KNOT SEPARATION (CONT'D)

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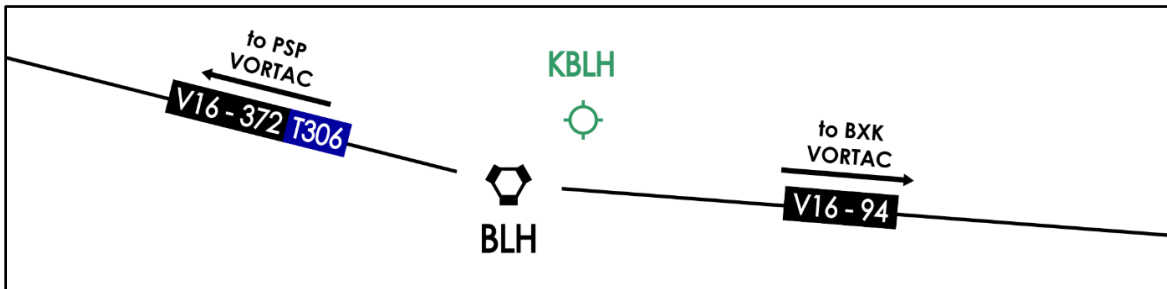


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		22				
		SAF				
N115LF CL30/L T458 16 701 01		↑		0T0	KSAF SAF V83 OT0 TCS J13 BECON UT13 LMM SJD MMSD/0141	2167
		KSAF P2030		400		

Time is 2023. What is the earliest time N115LF may be released? Explain your answer.

PRACTICE EXERCISE 1: APPLYING 44 OR 22 KNOT SEPARATION (CONT'D)

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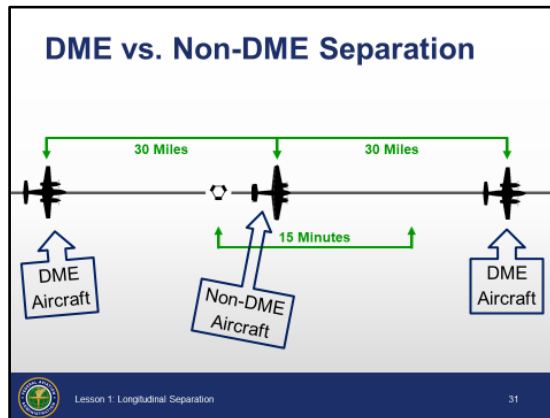
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N550BZ BE55/G T190 16 701 01		↑ KBLH P1630		PSP 80	KBLH BLH V16 DODGR KEMT/0045	1025

Time is 1625. What is the most efficient order to release N323RB and N550BZ? Explain your answer.

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

DME vs. Non-DME Separation

JO 7110.65, par.
6-4-2



DME vs. Non-DME Separation

- ⦿ 30 miles between aircraft, when one is using DME/ATD and the other is not, if both the following conditions are met:
 - The aircraft using DME/ATD derives distance information by reference to the same NAVAID or waypoint over which the aircraft not using DME/ATD has reported
 - The aircraft not using DME/ATD is within 15 minutes of the NAVAID
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SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

Separation by Pilots

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pars. 6-4-4, 6-4-
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Separation by Pilots

- When pilots on the same course in direct radio communication concur, you may authorize the following aircraft to maintain longitudinal separation of 10 minutes, or 20 miles between:
 - DME equipped aircraft
 - RNAV equipped aircraft using ATD
 - DME and ATD aircraft provided:
 - The DME aircraft is either 10,000' or below or outside of 10 miles from the DME NAVAID



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Separation by Pilots

- ⦿ When pilots of aircraft on the same course in direct radio communication with each other concur, you may authorize the following aircraft to maintain longitudinal separation of 10 minutes, or 20 miles between:
 - DME equipped aircraft
 - RNAV equipped aircraft using ATD
 - DME and ATD aircraft:
 - Provided the DME aircraft is either 10,000' or below, or outside of 10 miles from the DME NAVAID, or
 - Advise the pilot of an RNAV aircraft to use DME distances when applying DME separation along VOR airways/routes





**MAINTAIN AT LEAST ONE ZERO MINUTES/TWO ZERO MILES
SEPARATION FROM (ident)**

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check
What is the longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail when one is non-DME?

A. 15 miles
B. 30 miles
C. 35 miles

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Question: What is the longitudinal separation for two aircraft in-trail when one is non-DME?



SEPARATION PROCEDURES - SAME/CONVERGING/CROSSING COURSES (CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

Two pilots, in direct communication with each other, concur to maintain longitudinal separation. What is the correct minima?

- A. 5 minutes or 10 miles
- B. 10 minutes or 20 miles
- C. 15 minutes or 30 miles

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Question: Two pilots, in direct communication with each other, concur to maintain longitudinal separation. What is the correct minima?

PRACTICE EXERCISE 2: APPLYING SAME COURSE SEPARATION

Practice Exercise 2: Applying Same Course Separation

- **Purpose**

- Apply same course longitudinal separation

- **Materials**

- Practice exercise 2 from Lesson 1 handout
- Pen or pencil

- **Directions**

- This exercise takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. Scan the flight strips. Determine if longitudinal separation can be established. Write your answers to questions 1-2 in the space provided.



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Purpose

Apply same course longitudinal separation

Materials



Handout:

- ⦿ Practice exercise 2 from Lesson 1 handout
- ⦿ Pen or pencil

Directions

This exercise takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. Scan the flight strips. Determine if longitudinal separation can be established. Write your answers to questions 1-2 in the space provided.

PRACTICE EXERCISE 2: APPLYING SAME COURSE SEPARATION (CONT'D)

1.

DAL240 B738/L T448 G456 Ø2 226 Ø1	TFD Ø231	Ø2 ⁴⁹		370✓	EWM	KLAX DOTSS2 CNERY BLH J169 TFD J50 SSO J4 INK GEEKY SOCKK3 KDFW	4111
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AAL831 A319/L T458 G465 Ø2 226 Ø1	TFD Ø225	Ø2 ⁴³		350✓	EWM	KLAX DOTSS2 CNERY BLH J169 TFD J50 SSO J4 INK GEEKY SOCKK3 KDFW	4306
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Time is 0235. DAL240 requests a descent to FL330. Indicate what steps you would use and the minima to apply in order to accommodate this request.

PRACTICE EXERCISE 2: APPLYING SAME COURSE SEPARATION (CONT'D)

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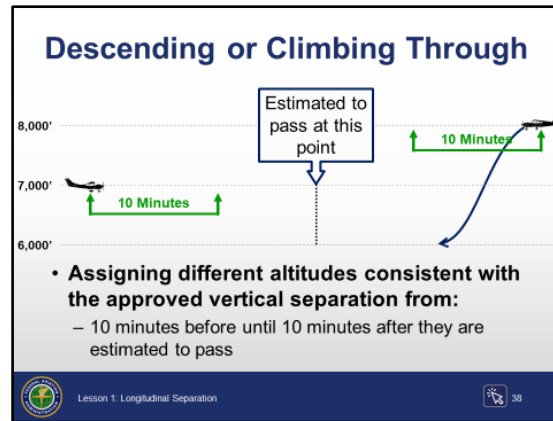
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		TX0				
N1762T C185/T T135 G142 22 076 01	ACH 2110	22 ⁰⁹	80 ✓	CDS	KSAF SAF V62 TX0 V530 CDS V14 HBR KHBR	1534
		09 2209				
		TX0				

Time is 2221. N99329 is requesting a climb to 10,000'. Can you issue this clearance? Explain your answer.

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES

Descending or Climbing Through

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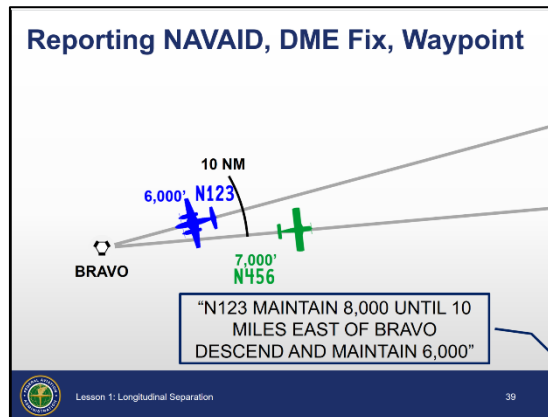
Descending or Climbing Through

- ⦿ Separate aircraft traveling opposite courses by assigning different altitudes consistent with the approved vertical separation from:
 - 10 minutes before until 10 minutes after they are estimated to pass
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SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES (CONT'D)

Reporting NAVAID, DME Fix, Waypoint

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Reporting NAVAID, DME fix, Waypoint

- ⦿ Vertical separation may be discontinued when:
 - Both aircraft have reported passing NAVAIDs, DME fixes, or waypoints indicating they have passed each other

Example:

N123: "N123, REQUEST 6,000"

Controller: "N456, SAY DME EAST OF BRAVO"

N456: "N456 IS 10 MILES EAST OF BRAVO"

Controller: "N123 MAINTAIN 8,000 UNTIL 10 MILES EAST OF BRAVO DESCEND AND MAINTAIN 6,000"

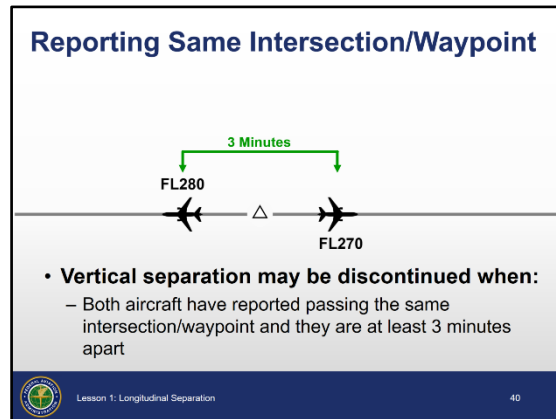
N123: "N123 WILCO"

NOTE: This procedure is not limited to aircraft operating in opposite directions along the same airway or radial. It may also be applied to aircraft established on diverging airways or radials of the same NAVAID.

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES (CONT'D)

Reporting Same Intersection/ Waypoint

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Reporting Same Intersection/Waypoint

⦿ Vertical separation may be discontinued when:

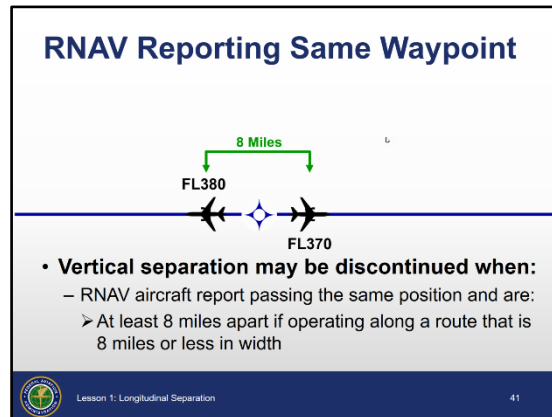
- Both aircraft have reported passing the same intersection/waypoint and they are at least 3 minutes apart

NOTE: Aircraft must be 3 minutes apart, not 3 minutes after passing. If each aircraft is 1½ minutes from the crossing, the total is 3 minutes.

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RNAV Reporting Same Waypoint

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RNAV Reporting Same Waypoint

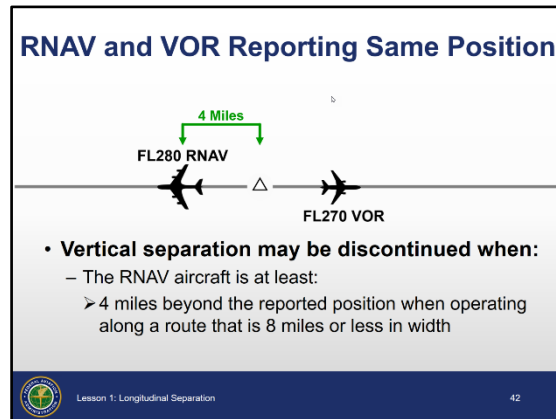
- ⦿ Vertical separation may be discontinued when:
 - Two RNAV aircraft have reported passing the same position and are:
 - At least 8 miles apart if operating along a route that is 8 miles or less in width
 - or*
 - 18 miles apart if operating along an expanded route
 - except*
 - 30 miles must be applied if operating along that portion of any route segment defined by a navigation station requiring extended usable distance limitations beyond 130 miles

NOTE: Expanded routes are route segments more than 8 miles wide (protected airspace). Route width and expanded route width will be covered in the next lesson.

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES (CONT'D)

RNAV and VOR Reporting Same Position

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RNAV and VOR Reporting Same Position

- ⦿ Vertical separation may be discontinued when:
 - An aircraft utilizing RNAV and an aircraft utilizing VOR have reported passing the same position and the RNAV aircraft is at least:
 - 4 miles beyond the reported position when operating along a route that is 8 miles or less in width
 - 9 miles beyond the point when operating along an expanded route
 - except*
 - 15 miles must be applied if operating along that portion of any route segment defined by a navigation station requiring extended usable distance limitation beyond 130 miles, or 3 minutes apart whichever is greater

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES

(CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

Opposite direction RNAV aircraft and VOR aircraft have reported the same fix. When can you discontinue vertical separation?

- A. When the RNAV aircraft is 4 miles beyond the fix
- B. When the VOR aircraft is 5 miles beyond the fix
- C. When both aircraft have reported 10 miles beyond the fix



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Question: Opposite direction RNAV aircraft and VOR aircraft have reported the same fix. When can you discontinue vertical separation?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES

(CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

Two opposite direction aircraft have reported the same DME fix. When can you discontinue vertical separation?

- A. Immediately
- B. In 3 minutes
- C. In 5 minutes



Lesson 1: Longitudinal Separation



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Question: Two opposite direction aircraft have reported the same DME fix. When can you discontinue vertical separation?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES

(CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

What is the separation minima for two aircraft after passing at an intersection?

- A. Immediately after
- B. 3 minutes apart
- C. Opposite direction passing is not allowed at intersections



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Question: What is the separation minima for two aircraft after passing at an intersection?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES

(CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

Two aircraft are on opposite direction courses and one is climbing. How many minutes prior to the crossing must you establish vertical separation?

- A. 10 minutes
- B. 5 minutes
- C. 3 minutes



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Question: Two aircraft are on opposite direction courses and one is climbing. How many minutes prior to the crossing must you establish vertical separation?

SEPARATION PROCEDURES - OPPOSITE COURSES (CONT'D)

Knowledge Check

Knowledge Check

Two opposite direction RNAV aircraft have reported passing the same position. When can you discontinue vertical separation?

- A. Immediately
- B. When the aircraft are 8 miles apart
- C. When the aircraft are 4 miles apart



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Question: Two opposite direction RNAV aircraft have reported passing the same position. When can you discontinue vertical separation?

PRACTICE EXERCISE 3: APPLYING OPPOSITE COURSE SEPARATION

Practice Exercise 3: Applying Opposite Course Separation

- **Purpose**

- Apply opposite course longitudinal separation

- **Materials**

- Practice exercise 3 from Lesson 1 handout
- Pen or pencil

- **Directions**

- This exercise takes approximately 20 minutes to complete. Scan the map and flight strips. Determine if longitudinal separation can be established. Write your answers to questions 1-2 in the space provided.



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Purpose

Apply opposite course longitudinal separation

Materials



Handout:

- ⦿ Practice exercise 3 from Lesson 1 handout
 - ⦿ Pen or pencil
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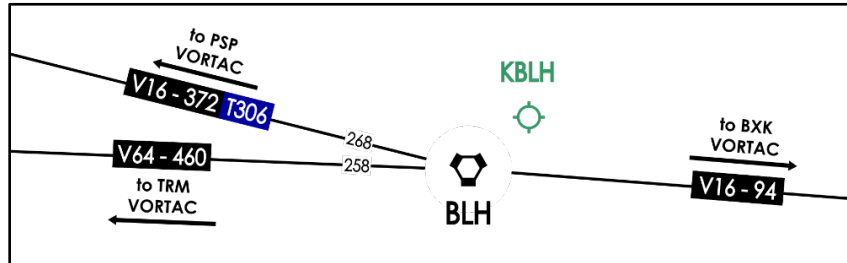
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PRACTICE EXERCISE 3: APPLYING OPPOSITE COURSE SEPARATION (CONT'D)

1.



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N75VC SH36/A T185 16 079 01		↑ 1025/26 KBLH P1022	↑80 60 80	PSP 80	KBLH BLH V16 DODGR KEMT/0049 CLV30	4366 D-A

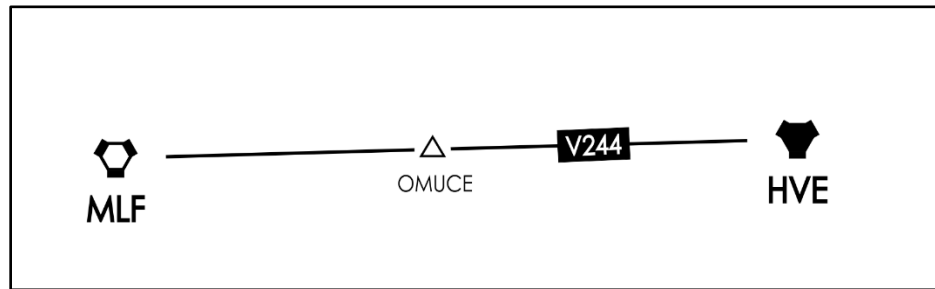
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PRACTICE EXERCISE 3: APPLYING OPPOSITE COURSE SEPARATION *(CONT'D)*

Time is 1034. N7178Q requests lower. How can you provide separation?

PRACTICE EXERCISE 3: APPLYING OPPOSITE COURSE SEPARATION (CONT'D)

2.



N14HJ PC12/A T180 G194 23 773 04	HVE	01 ¹⁴	160✓	EWM	KGUC HBU V244 TPH KTPH/0221 RP OMUCE/58	1534
	0041	14				
		MLF				
N161JW BE20/A T230 G215 23 226 03	TFD	00 ⁴³	170✓	HVE	KCDC V235 MLF V244 MTK KMTJ/0136 RP OMUCE/58	2654
	0231	43 0043				
		MLF				

Time is 0058. N161JW is requesting lower. Can you issue the clearance? Explain your answer.


CONCLUSION

Lesson Summary

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This lesson covered:

- Longitudinal separation minima
- Procedures for applying longitudinal separation to aircraft on same/converging/crossing courses
- Procedures for applying longitudinal separation to aircraft on opposite courses

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Summary

- ⦿ Longitudinal separation minima
 - DME/slant range - ATD
 - Separation
 - 20 Miles
 - 10 Minutes
- ⦿ Procedures for applying longitudinal separation to aircraft on same/converging/crossing courses
 - Climbing through an altitude
 - Descending through an altitude
 - Climbing - timed separation
 - Descending - timed separation
 - Depart at a specified time
 - Arrive at a specified time
 - Hold until a specified time
 - Change altitude at a specified time
 - 44 or 22 knot rule
 - DME vs. non-DME separation
 - Separation by pilots

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CONCLUSION (CONT'D)

Lesson Summary (Cont'd)

- ⊙ Procedures for applying longitudinal separation to aircraft on opposite courses
 - Descending or climbing through
 - Reporting NAVAID, DME fix, waypoint
 - Reporting same intersection/waypoint
 - Reporting same RNAV waypoint
 - RNAV/VOR reporting same position
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