

Seaplane Pilots' Model Code of Conduct Released

January 28, 2005—A SEAPLANE PILOTS' MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT (Code of Conduct) has been released as a free public service to the seaplane community. The Code of Conduct presents broad guidance and recommendations for seaplane pilots to improve airmanship, flight safety, and to sustain and improve the seaplane community.

The Code of Conduct is a voluntary, ethical code that presents diverse principles within its seven sections: (1) General Responsibilities of Seaplane Aviators; (2) Care of Passengers and People near the Seaplane; (3) Training and Proficiency; (4) Security; (5) Environmental Issues; (6) Use of Technology; and (7) Advancement and Promotion of Seaplane Aviation. To further the effective use of the Code of Conduct's principles, *Sample Recommended Practices* offer examples of ways pilots might integrate the principles into their own practices. The Code of Conduct is an unprecedented collection of industry wisdom and advice and will be invaluable for teaching socially responsible operating practices to current and future seaplane pilots.

The Code of Conduct's Drafting Group included the following diverse group of aviators who volunteered their time to the initiative.

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The Code of Conduct also benefited from the input of many other seaplane pilots, and leveraged the content of THE AVIATORS' MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT. The Code of Conduct is a "living document," intended to be revised periodically as warranted by new information, events, and needs within seaplane aviation. The SEAPLANE PILOTS' MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT and the AVIATORS' MODEL CODE OF CONDUCT and supporting documentation are available at < <http://www.secureav.com> >. For further information contact: < PEB@secureav.com >.
