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MEMORANDUM FOR CAP/CC/SE
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FROM: CAP/SE

SUBJECT: Waiver – National Safety Officers College (NSOC)

1. The National Safety Officers College (NSOC) was cancelled in the previous year, resulting in a backlog of Region and Wing Directors of Safety and members pursuing the Master Rating in the Safety Specialty Track who were unable to meet mandatory NSOC attendance requirements.
2. CAPR 160-1, Section 2.6 requires Region and Wing Directors of Safety to complete NSOC within one year of appointment unless waived in accordance with Section 2.2. NSOC is also required for members pursuing the Master Rating in the Safety Specialty Track as outlined in CAPP 40-160. The next available NSOC is scheduled for September–October 2026.
3. This memorandum establishes a waiver of the NSOC attendance requirement for all affected personnel. This waiver is effective immediately and remains in effect through 31 October 2026. All personnel currently operating under an approved NSOC waiver, as well as those requiring a waiver as a result of this action, must be entered into the [NSOC Waiver Tracking System](#) to ensure accountability and visibility.
5. This waiver applies only to the NSOC attendance requirement. All other safety program requirements, regulatory obligations, and leadership responsibilities remain fully in effect. This waiver does not cancel the NSOC requirement; it delays enforcement until NSOC becomes available, at which time all affected personnel will have one year from the date of availability to complete the course, recognizing that the existing backlog cannot be fully accommodated in the first offering.
6. Please direct questions regarding this waiver to me via email: dtherkildsen@capnhq.gov.

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