

CPC Announcement and Application for Voluntary TDY Assignment to Perform ATC Services for the Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo & Fly-In, March 29 - April 7, 2025

(Actual fly-in event is April 1 - April 6, 2025)

This is a Voluntary TDY Assignment to perform ATC Services for the Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo & Fly-In.

Duties and Responsibilities: Certified Professional Controllers (CPC) are needed to perform air traffic control services in support of the high volume of aircraft associated with the Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo & Fly-In at Lakeland Linder Regional Airport, in Lakeland, Florida, March 29 - April 7, 2025. (Actual fly-in event is April 1 – April 6, 2025).

Special ATC procedures will be used to accommodate the expected high volume of traffic. These functions may be performed in tower positions, feeder control positions, mobile positions and in remote control locations. Event volunteers will normally perform a variety of duties including, but not limited to, the setup of traffic direction devices (cones and/or other signed media), setup of mobile communications equipment, and direct separation of aircraft and coordination of aircraft.

Employees selected for this assignment will be required to work long hours on their feet while exposed to the elements such as hot sun, wind, rain, and prop blast. Split shifts are required due to the airport closure each day during the air show. Employees must be available for duty during the duration of the event.

Employees will travel to Lakeland, FL on Saturday, March 29, 2025. They will be briefed and tested on Sunday, March 30, 2025. Employees will be expected to apply the procedures the next day – Monday, March 31, 2025.

Flexibility, perception, composure, and alertness during high volumes of traffic are qualities essential to this operation. Return travel is Monday, April 7, 2025.

NOTE: Air Traffic will work with the Regional Flight Surgeon's office, NATCA and CDC guidelines to mitigate all pandemic issues at the time of the event.

Area of Consideration: Eastern & Central Service Area. Selections shall be made from facilities in the legacy Southern Region first. Applicants from outside the legacy Southern Region but within the Eastern Terminal Service Area shall only be selected in the event that an insufficient number of applicants are obtained from the Southern Region. Applicants from the Central Service Area shall only be selected in the event that an insufficient number of applicants are obtained from the host region. (For bidding purposes, GPT is considered a legacy Southern Region Facility)

Applicant Selection Process and Qualifications: Only FAA ATC and TMC CPC's who meet the qualifications listed below are eligible to bid. All applicants must be Certified Professional Controllers at their current facility on the date of application. Controllers must be current on local and ground positions performing at the "meets expectations" performance level with a current medical. Controllers in training will not be considered.

Participant's performance at this event will be evaluated and may have a bearing on future participation. The total number of times an individual can be selected for any position (all inclusive) at an individual special event is ten (10) unless there are no other qualified bidders. No more than five (5) instances of participation prior to April 6, 2010 will count toward the total. Applicants are permitted to bid on one position only (Veteran, Limited or Rookie). Veteran applicants will be selected first, based upon seniority within the Veteran applicants, and an Air Traffic Manager release ensured. Once all Veteran positions are secured, then, Limited Experience applicants will be selected, based upon seniority within the Limited Experience applicants, and an Air Traffic Manager release ensured. Once all Limited Experience positions are secured, then, Rookie applicants will be selected, based upon seniority within the Rookie applicants, and an Air Traffic Manager release ensured.

1. **VETERAN Team member:** Candidates must have three (3) or more years of experience at Sun 'n Fun special events, Two (2) of them within the last five (5) years.
2. **Limited Experience Applicant:** Candidates with one (1) or two (2) years of experience at Sun 'n Fun special events within the last five (5) years.
3. **Rookie Applicant:** Candidates with no special event experience within last five (5) years.

Credit time: Credit time can be earned during the event this year. If you request to earn credit time, it may be assigned as an 8 or 10 hour shift that is in conjunction with your team assignment. Controllers will be responsible for ensuring that they do not have more than 14 hours of credit earned prior to the event. Requesting not to earn credit time will have no impact on your selection.

Applications must be submitted on or before **11:59 PM, November 11, 2024**. The applicant must inform the Air Traffic Manager and NATCA Facility Representative that they have submitted an on-line application for the event.

How to apply: Apply at www.sfnbid.com

If you experience trouble accessing the website or do not receive a confirmation email within 24 hours of submitting your application please contact Miguel Vazquez at miguel.vazquez@faa.gov or Michael Driscoll at mdriscoll042@gmail.com for assistance.

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