

Summary of NTSB § 830.7

NTSB 830.7 is the “Manner of notification” section in Part 830; it tells the operator to notify the NTSB immediately after an accident or listed serious incident using the most expeditious means available and to contact the nearest NTSB office.^{[1][2]}

Core requirement

- The *operator* of the aircraft is responsible for the notification, not the FAA.^{[3][2]}
- Notification must be made *immediately* and by the *quickest reasonable method* (typically telephone) to the *nearest NTSB field office or the NTSB Response Operations Center*.^{[4][5][1]}

Acceptable notification methods

- Direct phone call to the NTSB field office or the NTSB Response Operations Center (e.g., 844-373-9922 or 202-314-6290).^{[5][4]}
- Other rapid means such as telegraphic or contacting the FAA if necessary, with the understanding that the FAA will relay the notification to NTSB; the key is “most expeditious means available.”^{[3][4]}

Information tied to 830.7

- Section 830.7 works together with 830.5 and 830.6: 830.5 lists what events require *immediate* notification, and 830.6 lists the information that must be provided in that notification (aircraft ID, owner/operator, PIC, time/date, departure/destination, position, persons aboard/killed/seriously injured, nature of accident, weather, damage, and hazardous materials).^{[6][7][1]}

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