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Subject: The Use of Firearms in Survival Equipment For Fleet Aircraft

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.1 Purpose.

This OPM supersedes the Aviation Life Support Equipment (ALSE) Handbook (351 DM 1) Appendix 1.B(d) requirement for carrying firearms and ammunition in the onboard survival kit for flights within Alaska.

.2 Policy.

The decision regarding whether firearms are necessary in the onboard survival equipment will be the responsibility of the individual stations and/or the pilot of the aircraft.



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