

KTRK Pilots,

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There have been two frequently asked questions by numerous pilots regarding the VIP TFR going into effect on 18 Aug.

- 1) Will KTRK be under the 30-mile restriction = YES.
- 2) How do I get my “discrete code” = see below, and page #2.

We’ve provided a cheat-sheet on page 2 for Towered & Non-Towered operations and divided it into arrival and departures for your situational awareness.

At All Times:

- Check NOTAMS → no training or loitering in airspace.
- File an IFR or VFR flight plan → Foreflight, 1-800 Wx Brief, etc.
- Get a discrete code (squawk) from ATC → DO NOT squawk “1200” for VFR.
- 10-mile restriction → DO NOT FLY
- 30-mile restriction → make radio contact with ATC before entering airspace.
- Expect to be violated by the FAA for any non-compliance.

Be advised KTRK Tower is not equipped to get you a “discrete code” for a VFR flight plan. When the tower is open (0700-2000L), they will call Oakland Center to provide this service while the VIP TFR is in effect.

Please call with any questions, we want you to be confident flying during this window of time.

Best Regards,
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Towered Operations 0700-2000L:

Departures

- KTRK Ground will get your discrete code (squawk) from Oakland Center.
- Your flight plan must be on file for KTRK Ground to get your discrete code.
- When you contact KTRK Ground provide the following:
 - Callsign
 - N Number
 - Type Aircraft
 - Destination
- Once you've exited Class-D airspace Tower will switch you to Oakland Center 127.95.

Arrivals

- Prior to entering the 30NM Outer Area, have a IFR or VFR flight plan on file.
- Contact Oakland Center on 127.95 for flight following and a discrete code.
- Oakland Center will terminate radar services & transfer you to Truckee Tower 120.575.
- Do NOT squawk VFR "1200" after being told that radar services are terminated.

NON-Towered Operations 2000-0700L

Departures

- Contact Oakland Center, prior to departure, via radio 127.95 for your discrete code (you need the flight plan on file), there is good radio coverage from the surface here.
- Make CTAF radio calls in Class-E airspace as required for taxi and take-off.
- Monitor Oakland Center 127.95 during your taxi and take-off (if able).
- Make positive radio contact with Oakland Center 127.95 when safely airborne and when CTAF traffic allows.

Arrivals

- Prior to entering the 30NM Outer Area, have a IFR or VFR flight plan on file and contact Oakland Center 127.95 for flight following and a discrete code.
- Oakland Center will terminate radar services & transfer you to CTAF 120.575.
- Make CTAF radio calls in Class-E airspace as required for approach and landing.
- Monitor Oakland Center 127.95 during your approach and landing (if able).

FAA NOTAMS & guidance take precedence in all circumstances.
This cheat sheet is for informational purposes only, it is not updated real-time.