## **COMMUNICATIONS DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 1. Be Brief
  Be Accurate
  Be Polite
- 2. Hold short instructions of runways must be repeated back to ATC at all times. All other instructions only need to be acknowledged with either your call sign or a brief reply.
- 3. Hooks Ground's jurisdiction does not extend east of the sea lane.
- 4. Always specify your full call sign and aircraft type. ATC must abbreviate your call sign first, then the pilot can abbreviate it. Always be aware of similar sounding call signs on the frequency.
- 5. In the event of communications failure and you have squawked 7600, Hooks Tower will ask you to "Ident" to confirm whether you are receiving, but not transmitting. If you respond to their request by Identing, they will then understand that you can hear them, but cannot talk and will instruct you into the airport. If you do not Ident when they ask, they will use light gun signals for instructions. Rock your wings or flash your lights to confirm your understanding of these instructions.
- 6. "Land at your own risk." ATC has alternate choices available to you; however, you may choose to deviate from that choice at your own risk. For example, when it is close to dark, you may request a landing on 17L. Tower will advise you that if you choose that runway, you are landing at your own risk.
- 7. If you ever do not understand or have a doubt about ATC instructions, always query ATC as soon as possible (ex., "please say again.")

## **Phonetic Alphabet**

A	M	Y	
В	N	Z	
С	0	1	
D	P	2	
E	Q	3	and the second second
F	R	4	
G	S	5	
Н	Т	6	
I	U	7	particular of the second
J	V	8	- 1 / L 1 /
K	W	9	Name of the order with the original
L	X	0	per State (March State)