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2026–2027 WINTER WEATHER OPERATIONS

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TO	FROM	SUBJECT
All AAVA pilots, dispatchers and operations personnel	Hub Operations	Winter Weather Operations 2026–2027

1. Seasonal activation

Effective November 1, 2026, American Virtual Airlines begins its designated 2026–2027 winter operations season. This memorandum announces seasonal readiness expectations and directs crews to review the cold-weather procedures applicable to their aircraft and flight.

2. Fleetwide applicability

The same AAVA operating standards apply to every flight conducted within the AAVA network, including American Airlines-branded operations, partner and codeshare flights, regional affiliates, Heritage, cargo, contractors, charters and special events. Aircraft-specific FCOM/QRH and approved type-specific instructions remain controlling for aircraft handling, limitations and configuration.

3. Crew action required

- Review the applicable AAVA Boeing or Airbus Cold Weather Operations manual and any aircraft-family supplement before operating in icing or winter conditions.
- Apply the clean-aircraft concept; evaluate contamination, ground deicing/anti-icing requirements and pre-takeoff verification.
- Review anticipated freezing precipitation, FAA holdover times, airport delays, taxiway and runway condition, and aircraft-specific takeoff/landing performance.
- Use the 2026–2027 FAA Holdover Time Guidelines attachment with applicable fluid, precipitation and temperature limitations.
- Do not apply a Boeing-only engine, flap or anti-ice setting to an Airbus or other aircraft family.

4. Published resources

Hub Operations will maintain separate documents in the Winter Operations resource area: (1) this memorandum; (2) aircraft-specific Cold Weather Operations manuals; (3) Deice/Anti-Ice Procedures; (4) Deice/Anti-Ice Crew Card; (5) Winter Operations Reference Card; and (6) the FAA Winter 2026–2027 Holdover Time Guidelines attachment. Additional aircraft-family supplements will be issued as reviewed.

5. Existing procedures and updates

Existing published AAVA aircraft procedures continue to apply until superseded by a formal revision. New reference cards provide decision support and do not replace aircraft FCOM/QRH procedures. Cold-weather operating requirements apply whenever conditions exist, including outside the designated winter season.

6. Passenger standard weights

No change to AAVA standard passenger or baggage weights is announced by this memorandum. Any separate seasonal-weight policy will be communicated through its own approved memorandum and flight-planning implementation instructions.

7. Assistance

Questions about winter-weather procedures, document applicability, or simulator implementation should be directed to Hub Operations. Thank you for maintaining consistent operating standards across the AAVA network.

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