

FAA Seeks to Ban Pilots' Use of Personal Devices While in the Air

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The Federal Aviation Administration looks to be tightening the screws on what personal devices pilots are allowed to use while in the air.

A new proposal, which the agency published in the [Federal Register](#) [1] today, aims to stop pilots from using electronic devices for any type of personal use while in the cockpit. The proposal comes after a handful of incidents gave the FAA cause for concern.

"The personal use of personal wireless communications devices and laptop computers for non-safety related activities is prohibited by the broad restrictions in the current 'Sterile Cockpit' rule during ground operations involving taxi, take-off and landing, and all other flight operations conducted below 10,000 feet," the [proposal](#) [1] reads. "The proposed requirements in this NPRM [Notice Of Proposed Rulemaking] would extend the prohibition on personal use of personal wireless communications devices and laptop computers to all phases of flight."

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