# MSP AIRPORT ACRONYMS & COMMON TERMS

# **AREAS OF THE AIRPORT:**

#### **SECURITY CHECKPOINTS**

Point of entry for all travelers and for employees who need to be screened prior to entering the sterile area of the airport; manned by the TSA.

### STERILE AREA

The area beyond the TSA Security Checkpoints, including the airport mall and concourses.

# AOA (Air Operations Area) SIDA (Security Identification Display Area)

All areas inside the fence line (paved and unpaved) used for landing, takeoff or surface maneuvering of aircraft.

## **SECURED AREA SIDA**

The most secured area within the AOA SIDA, including ramp areas around the terminals where baggage is being loaded and unloaded from aircraft, cargo areas, tug-drive and roof.

# **BADGE TYPES:** (Security badges are to be used for job purposes only)

# **TAXI BADGE** (Salmon Badge)

Issued to all taxi drivers serving the airport. This badge allows access to the taxi holding area and through checkpoints during limited hours for business in the Landside Office. Taxi Orientation required.

# STERILE AREA BADGE (Green Badge)

Issued to employees working in stores or restaurants, as well as Off Site Authorized Signers. This badge allows access through security checkpoints only. No training required.

# NON-SIDA BADGE (Blue Badge)

Issued to employees needing access through security checkpoints as well as additional areas such as the loading dock and/or a door, closet or elevator in the sterile area of the airport. No training required.

# AOA-SIDA BADGE (Red Badge)

Issued to employees working in the AOA SIDA. Badge must be displayed at all times, SIDA training required.

# **SECURED AREA SIDA BADGE** (Yellow Badge)

Issued to employees working in the Secured Area SIDA. Badge must be displayed at all times, SIDA training required.

# **ACRONYMS**:

**APD** Airport Police Department

**CHRC** Criminal History Record Check (part of badge clearance process)

**MAC** Metropolitan Airports Commission (operates MSP & 6 regional airports)

**MSP** Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport

- **POC** Police Operations Center, across from baggage carousel #14, T-1
- **STA** Security Threat Assessment (part of badge clearance process)
- **TSA** Transportation Security Administration
- **T-1** Terminal #1, formerly Lindbergh Terminal
- **T-2** Terminal #2, formerly Humphrey Terminal

# **SEALS**:

#### CART SEAL

For employees driving carts in the sterile area of the airport. Cart seal is applied to badge after completion of cart training.

#### **CUSTOM SEAL**

For employees working either in the customs area or within the perimeter of an international aircraft. Custom seal is applied to badge when approved customs letter is received.

## **ESCORT SEAL**

Allows a badge holder the ability to bring an un-badged individual(s) or lower level badge holder(s) into secured areas of the airport for work-related purposes. \*Refer to Escort Procedure handout for detailed information. Escort seal is applied to badge upon direction of Authorized Company Signer.

# **MISC. TERMS:**

# **CONCOURSE PASS**

Allows an un-badged individual access to the sterile area of the airport for work-related purposes. Pass holder will be screened at a checkpoint and is then able to move about the sterile area of the airport without an escort.

#### OFF SITE SIGNER

Authorized Signers who *will not* be working at the airport will be given a sterile badge with "Off Site Signer" listed on the badge.

# **ON SITE SIGNER**

Authorized Signers who **will** be working at the airport will be given the same badge and access as other employees from their company with "On Site Signer" listed on the badge.

### PRIMARY AUTHORIZED SIGNER

Will serve as the key point of contact for the company; able to approve and sign badge applications, receives all badge clearance notifications and is responsible for responding to monthly badge audits.

## SECONDARY AUTHORIZED SIGNER

Has the ability to approve and sign badge applications.

#### **VENDOR**

Company providing goods, products and/or services to airport.

#### TENANT

Company occupying a rented space, lessee.

#### CONTRACTOR

Company providing materials/labor/service work for a limited period of time.