1.1 Authority

The Rules and Regulations Manual for Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) is published under the authority contained in the Los Angeles City Charter, Sections 632 (b) and 633 (a) and (b), which empowers Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) to make rules and regulations governing the use and control of City airports, subject to the powers of the United States respecting commerce.

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) have issued Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 139 and Transportation Security Regulation (TSR) Part 1540 and 1542, which require Airport management to establish operational and safety procedures and to institute certain security measures to meet FAA and TSA requirements for airport certification.

LAWA shall have the right at any time to close the Airport in its entirety or any portion thereof to air traffic, to delay or to restrict any flight or other aircraft operation, to refuse takeoff permission to aircraft, and to deny the use of the Airport or any portion thereof to any specified class of aircraft or to any individual or group, when any such action is considered necessary and desirable to avoid endangering persons or property and to be consistent with the safe and proper operation of the Airport. In the event LAWA determines the condition of the Airport or any part thereof to be unsafe for landings or takeoffs, a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) shall be issued or cause to be issued, closing any affected area or the entire Airport.

1.2 Purpose

The primary purpose of this manual is to provide airport users with a single document representing a compendium of rules, regulations, procedures, and general information governing their activities at LAX. The objective of the manual is to promote the safe and efficient use of LAX facilities.

1.3 Contents

The regulatory provisions of this manual are established by LA City ordinances and municipal codes, resolutions adopted by the Board of Airport Commissioners (BOAC), directives issued by Airport management, and provisions of FAR Part 139 and TSR Part 1542. Selected maps and other documents are included as necessary to accomplish the purpose of the manual.

1.4 Compliance

All persons on the Airport property shall be governed by the rules and regulations herein prescribed and by orders and instructions of the General Manager or designee relative to the use or occupation of any part of the Airport property and shall comply with written or oral instructions issued by the General Manager or designee to enforce these regulations.

LA City ordinance provides that any person violating or failing to comply with regulations established by the BOAC governing the conduct of persons, ground operations, and air traffic over and on the Airport, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than $500, or by imprisonment in the LA City jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both a fine and imprisonment.
Any person or persons who refuse to comply with these rules and regulations, after proper request to do so by the General Manager or designee, shall be subjected to Security Badge confiscation or revocation.

1.5 Enforcement

The General Manager is assigned the overall responsibility of enforcing the Rules and Regulations. On a day-to-day basis, this responsibility and authority is exercised by LAX Airport Operations and Airport Police.

Successful enforcement, however, depends on the full and active cooperation of all Airport users. Recurring training will provide a clear understanding of the Rules and Regulations Manual and its application.

All persons, while on the Airport, shall comply with all lawful orders or directives given by representatives of Airport Police and/or LAX Airport Operations. This obligation also applies to orders issued by persons exercising legal powers within the scope and course of their employment and duties, i.e., the Los Angeles Fire Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Federal Aviation Administration, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and Transportation Security Administration.

1.6 Deviations

LAWA may authorize deviations from the Rules and Regulations (in writing) when action is necessary to maintain established standards of operational safety and airport security, or in situations which affect life and/or property under the jurisdiction of LAWA.

In case any section(s) (wholly or partly) of these Rules and Regulations is found invalid for any reason, the remainder shall remain in force and effect. Therefore, all sections are separate and independent of each other.