



2022 ABS Convention Fly-In Guide

Celebrating 55 years of the American Bonanza Society and 75 years of the Beech Bonanza!

The American Bonanza Society welcomes you to Wichita! This information is presented by the FAA's Wichita Air Traffic Control, the Wichita Airport Authority, the host airport and FBOs, and the American Bonanza Society to supplement your official flight planning. The Wichita airspace can be very busy at times, and we are expecting a large turnout for the ABS Convention.

Please read this Guide carefully and observe its suggestions for a safe and speedy arrival and departure from your Beechcraft's birthplace, The Air Capital: Wichita, Kansas.

General Information

- Air Traffic Control (ATC) arrival or departure reservations are **not** required.
- Almost all airplanes will be parked in grass. **Bring your own tiedowns.**
- There are **no parking or handling fees** at the ABS Convention host FBOs.
- ABS will provide **ground transportation** to and from Wichita Colonel James Jabara Airport on Wednesday, September 21 through Sunday, September 25. Hotel shuttle service, taxi and commercial ride share services are available from Wichita Eisenhower Airport. Persons arriving or departing at any other time or from any location other than Jabara are responsible for their own ground transportation. The bus schedule is printed later in this Guide.
- A very small number of **hangars** may be available. Contact Midwest Corporate Aviation directly and ask for Mario Mosio or Andy Arnold at 316-636-9700 to check on availability and price.
- This guide is for general ABS Convention information only. **Check traffic pattern and other information for all airports before arriving and departing.**
- ABS hosted a zoom call with KICT ATC on September 1st going over arrival and departure procedures, special air space and other pertinent information. To view that zoom call recording, and the Q&A, [click here](#).

Colonel James Jabara Airport (KAAO)

KAAO is a nontowered airport just northeast of Wichita, just outside the Wichita Class C airspace, with a 6100 x 100-foot runway served by ILS and RNAV (GPS) approaches. Approximately 225 parking spots are available on grass and 20 on pavement. The paved ramp parking is reserved for Barons and Travel Airs because of their heavier weight and are on a first-come basis. Midwest Corporate Aviation (www.midwestaviation.com) and Clemens Aviation (www.clemensaviation.com) serve KAAO.

The Wichita Airport Authority and Wichita Approach Control add this additional guidance:

- KAAO isn't a particularly heavy traffic airport, but experience has demonstrated that the surrounding airspace and traffic is "tight" and warrants visual and situational vigilance. This is created by McConnell AFB's long final/ILS approach on the west side of KAAO, Beech Field's long final/ILS approach on the east side of KAAO, and close proximity to the Wichita Class C airspace. The Col. James Jabara Airport Flight Planning PDF [page 5 of this Guide] shows this.
- VFR arrivals from the west, contact Wichita Approach on 126.7 before abeam the western limit of the Wichita Class C airspace even if you will not enter Class C airspace. Approach will provide services to keep you above the arrival and departure corridors for Eisenhower National Airport until east of KICT.

- On arrival as well as departure, remain clear of the Beech Field Class D airspace unless specifically cleared to enter the airspace by ATC. Watch for traffic into and out of KBEC just south of Jabara Airport.
- A Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) area associated with the McConnell AFB Open House and air show will be in effect during the ABS Convention period. The TFR will extend to but not beyond the Beech Field Class D airspace. Check NOTAMs for dimensions and valid times and remain clear of the TFR airspace.
- Be especially vigilant for heavy tanker aircraft and high-speed military aircraft in and out of McConnell AFB in the vicinity of KAAO and east of the Wichita area.

The Wichita Airport Authority's KAAO guide is online at <http://tinyurl.com/KAAOplanning>.

NOTE: Beech Field (KBEC) is a public use airport, but all areas except the runway are the private property of Textron Aviation. **Textron Aviation does not permit use of Beech Field** for the ABS Convention.

Area Traffic and Activity

There is significant general aviation traffic (primarily heavy jet) among the many airports in the Wichita area. An Alert Area over McConnell AFB also extends over KAAO. Extensive military flight training occurs in this Alert Area 24 hours a day, including heavy tankers, jet trainers and fighter aircraft.

Extensive Textron Aviation flight test and flying club traffic arrives and departs Beech Factory Airfield (KBEC) due south within one mile of the north and south ends of Runways 18/36. Aircraft remain at or below 2700 MSL in these corridors until five miles east of KBEC. Straight-in arrivals/departures to KBEC extend to the south of Jabara Airport. Beech Tower publishes its hours of operation as Monday through Friday 0700-1730 local time. However, Beech Tower is frequently open at other times without notice, to support Textron Aviation flight test and company transportation aircraft.

There is a grass airstrip about three miles east of Jabara, between KAAO and Stearman Field, with frequent glider and ultralight traffic.

IFR Arrivals and Departures

If arriving under IFR, follow normal IFR procedures. Cancel in the air if safely and legally possible to free up the airspace for the next pilot. If you must maintain IFR to landing, cancel IFR as soon as possible. Ground communication to Wichita Approach is available at KAAO on 134.8 and 125.0.

Area traffic creates extensive delays receiving IFR departure clearances from Jabara. If safely possible, plan to depart VFR and obtain your IFR clearance in the air. Remain clear of the KBEC and McConnell AFB Class D airspace and the Wichita Class C airspace unless specifically authorized to enter by ATC. Because of traffic Wichita Approach may not be able to clear you before you are handed off to Kansas City Center 30 or more miles from KICT, so ensure you can remain VFR at least that distance before you depart without a clearance.

VFR Arrivals

Contact Wichita Approach Control on 126.7 (west) or 134.8 (east) no less than 20 miles of KAAO. Remain clear of the Wichita Class C, McConnell AFB Class D and Beech Field Class D airspace unless authorized by Air Traffic Control.

The Wichita Airport Authority recommends remaining at or below 2400 MSL within five miles of KAAO due to heavy military traffic at and above 3000 MSL in the area.

Proceed to HANCE intersection (4.7 nm E of KAAO). From HANCE fly heading 263° to **cross Jabara midfield at pattern altitude**, then turn **left for left downwind to Rwy 36** or **right to right downwind for Rwy 18**. This route follows the RNAV (GPS)-E approach to KAAO at Jabara's visual pattern on the west side of the airport.

Watch for traffic in and out of KBEC, including straight-in arrivals and departures that will cross your flight path. Watch for McConnell AFB traffic, which is generally at 3000 MSL until west of the KAAO extended runway

centerline, then at or above 2600 MSL until south of Jabara. Watch also for traffic in and out of Stearman Field (1K1), which is just northeast of this route approximately 6 nm of Jabara, and for non-radio airplanes and gliders from the grass strip just west of 1K1.

VFR Departures

Remain clear of the Class C, McConnell AFB Class D and Beech Field Class D airspace unless authorized by Air Traffic Control. Departing Rwy 36, visually clear for McConnell and KBEC traffic before turning and climbing on course. Departing Rwy 18, make immediate right turn onto a right downwind leg at 2200 MSL. Visually clear the airspace for McConnell and KBEC traffic before turning on course.



Parking, Welcome Center and Rental Cars

Volunteer marshallsers will direct you to parking (see map on page 4). Follow all instructions and **taxi very slowly in grass parking areas**. Shut down where directed by the marshallsers.

Volunteers will help you move your airplane as needed into place for parking. Secure your aircraft, including tiedowns (bring your own) and gust locks (remember, this is Kansas).

Volunteers and FBO staff will help transport you to the ABS Welcome/Hospitality tent on the field, where you'll meet the shuttle bus for the Convention hotels.

Midwest Corporate Aviation (MCA) staff will take fuel orders upon your arrival. The 100LL price on 8/24/2022 was \$7.30/gallon. MCA will announce a fuel discount price in the coming weeks.

Contact the host FBOs directly if you need emergency aircraft repairs. Talk with the ABS Technical Advisors if you need additional information or assistance.

If you wish to reserve a rental car from Enterprise and have it delivered to Jabara for your arrival, call 316-681-1000 and then hit *. You'll need to provide them this code for the group discount: **G88092X** and make sure you tell them you need a Jabara FBO drop off.

Bus schedule

ABS buses will run between Jabara Airport and the Convention hotels on the schedule below. Buses will run continually during the times listed below:

Wednesday, September 21

First bus departs KAAO 11:00 am
Last bus departs KAAO 6:00 pm

Thursday, September 22

First bus departs KAAO 7:30 am
Last bus departs KAAO 6:00 pm
See your Beech Factory tour confirmation for bus times to Textron Aviation

Friday, September 23

First bus departs KAAO 8:00 am
Last bus departs KAAO 3:00 pm
Bus times to/from the ABS Hangar Party will be announced at the Convention

Saturday, September 24

First bus departs KAAO 8:00 am
Last bus departs KAAO 3:00 pm

Sunday, September 25

First bus departs HYATT 5:30 am
Last bus departs HYATT 11:30 am

Parking areas (subject to change based on field conditions)

KAAO Jabara Airport



A – main aircraft parking
B – main aircraft parking
C – main aircraft parking
D – overflow aircraft parking

E – Baron/Twin parking
F – Formation Flight parking



- Frequencies:**
 - CTAF: 122.7
 - ASOS: 134.025 (316-636-2541)
 - Wichita Approach/Departure: 134.8
 - Clearance Delivery: 125.0
- VOTs:**
 - ICT 113.8
 - HUT 116.8
- Noise sensitive areas:**
 - NOISE SENSITIVE AREAS TO THE SOUTH & WEST

KA AO COLONEL JAMES JABARA AIRPORT

- PILOT CONTROLLED LIGHTING**
- CTAF: 122.7
 - RUNWAY
 - TAXIWAYS
 - APCH LIGHTING SYSTEM
 - REL
- PAPI:**
 - CONTINUOUSLY ON

BE ALERT FOR MILITARY AIRCRAFT AT 3,000 FEET MSL

TRAFFIC PATTERN WEST SIDE ALTITUDE 2,200 FEET MSL

Runway 18 End
Low Point - EL. 1400.9 MSL
Latitude: 37° 07' 21.21"
Longitude: -97° 07' 11.12"
NOTE:
NON-STANDARD TRAFFIC PATTERN

WATC
WICHITA AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE
NATIONAL CENTER FOR AVIATION TRAINING

BEACON

CAUTION
WINDY CONDITIONS IN TRUCK FACILITY 1/2 MILE

FBO
SERVICE LOCATION

Airport Reference Point
Latitude: 37° 07' 11.12"
Longitude: -97° 07' 11.12"

RUNWAY 6,100 FEET X 100 FEET
RUNWAY EFFECTIVE GRADIENT 0.2%

VFR ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES ARE RECOMMENDED TO REMAIN AT OR BELOW 2,400' MSL WITHIN 5 MILES DUE TO HEAVY MILITARY TRAFFIC AT AND ABOVE 3,000' MSL. SOUTHERLY AND SOUTHEASTERLY VFR ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES NOT RECOMMENDED WITHOUT ATC RADAR SERVICES DUE TO BEECH FACTORY AIRPORT AND MCCONNELL AFB AIRSPACE.

McConnell Air Force Base
TOWER: 123.25
8 MILES SOUTH

29TH ST. N.

Runway 36 End
TDZE/High Point - EL. 1420.7 MSL
Latitude: 37° 07' 21.21"
Longitude: -97° 07' 11.12"

Beech Factory Airport
TOWER: 126.90
CTAF: 126.90
5 MILES SOUTH

- CAUTION**
 - Traffic pattern altitude: 2,200 MSL
 - OBSERVE PUBLISHED TRAFFIC PATTERNS, BEECH FACTORY AIRPORT RUNWAY 19 EXTENDED CENTERLINE ONE MILE TO THE EAST.

Disclaimer:
For general information only:
This map is NOT Approved for navigational purposes

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THE NICHOLASPORT AIRPORT
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Wichita Airport Authority's
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