

JOHN WAYNE TOWER LETTER TO AIRMEN NO. 09-04

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

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SUBJECT: NEW RNAV DEPARTURE PROCEDURE AVAILABLE AT SNA – “DUUKE”

CANCELLATION: September 17, 2011

This Letter to Airmen (LTA) supersedes John Wayne LTA 09-03 dated September 18, 2009.

The DUUKE RNAV departure is now available for use at SNA by appropriately equipped aircraft and properly qualified aircrews. Pilots planning to utilize the DUUKE departure are reminded that:

- **Pilots must review the procedure thoroughly.** Please call the Control Tower at 714-668-9845 if you have any questions on how to fly the procedure.
- DUUKE RNAV departure FMS programming is a Heading to Intercept (VI) a Course to Fix (CF) leg. **To properly fly the DUUKE departure, aircraft must fly runway heading until intercepting the 175-degree course to DUUKE WP.** This means all aircraft will fly straight ahead for approximately one mile beyond the departure end of the runway before initiating any turn.
- **The 540' altitude specified on the published procedure as a note is NOT the altitude that the turn to DUUKE shall be initiated.** It is the minimum at or above altitude that must be attained before starting the turn **at the appropriate point** approximately one mile beyond the runway end.

NOTE: In most instances, the aircraft will have reached an altitude significantly above 540 feet prior to starting a turn to intercept the 175-degree course to DUUKE WP.

If you have any questions, please contact Tito Gonzalez at 714-668-0141, Ext. 114.

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