Air and Space Law

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UNDERSTANDING AIR AND SPACE LAW

Air and space law refers to the legislation that regulates flight. Humankind has always dreamed of flying. But it wasn’t until 1783, when the French Montgolfier brothers launched the first hot air balloon, that the dream of flight suddenly became a tangible possibility. Hot air balloons led to airships, gliders, and eventually airplanes, with the Wright brothers successfully launching the first plane in 1903. Ever since, the possibilities to travel among the clouds have continuously expanded, and today humans fly around the globe every day.

But what of the stars? While it had taken humans centuries to learn to fly, it would take only decades for them to launch into space. Realistic proposals for methods of spaceflight date back to 1903, while the German V-2 ballistic missile was the first object to travel into space in 1944. The Soviets launched their first satellite, Sputnik 1, in 1957, initiating the Space Race between the United States and the USSR. In 1969, the U.S. successfully landed the first humans on the moon. Today, focus has expanded to exploring other realms of space, with commercial companies complementing government space programs in the hopes of one day making space travel accessible to the paying public.

ABOUT THE DATABASE

HeinOnline’s Air and Space Law is a collection of books, documents, reports, and more illustrating the history of air and spaceflight through the programs and people that made these dreams possible. Through the collection, users will see how governments and regulators reacted to new technologies, the accidents and disasters that prompted reform, and the new frontiers that await as technology advances at an improbable speed.
SUBJECT-CODED CONTENT

HeinOnline editors have analyzed and subject-coded every title in this collection, creating and assigning 29 unique subjects to help users find material most relevant to their research. Further categorizing the content, this entire collection is organized by Outer Space and Suborbital Space, separating titles dealing with matters on celestial bodies (Outer Space) from those concerned with earthbound air travel (Suborbital Space).

Subject areas include:

- Aerospace Technology
- Air Traffic Control
- Aircraft
- Airlines and Air Transport
- Airports
- Airspace Regulations
- Aviation Accidents and Disasters
- Aviation Regulations
- Aviation Safety and Security
- Drones
- Environmental Impact of Aviation
- Federal Aviation Administration
- International Cooperation in Space
- International Regulations of Flight
- Military Aviation
- Military in Space
- NASA
- Pilots, Astronauts, and Aerospace Workforce
- Pioneers in Flight
- Pioneers in Space
- Race to the Moon
- Satellites
- Space and National Security
- Space Commercialization
- Space Exploration
- Space Shuttle Program
- Space Station
- Spaceflight Accidents and Disasters
- Transportation Security Administration

DATABASE ORGANIZATION

While air travel and space exploration share principles of physics, technological advancements, and personnel training, they are ultimately separate spheres with their own unique challenges and concerns. To help users target their research, content in this collection is organized into 19 tabs to help researchers target their research between Suborbital Space and Orbital Space.
FEATUERED CONTENT

**Suborbital Space** is the term HeinOnline is using to refer to all aviation matters below orbit. Under this categorization, users can find titles dealing with:

- Transportation Security Administration and airline safety protocols
- Federal Aviation Administration and Civil Aeronautics Board
- Airline operations
- Pilot regulations
- Air traffic control regulation and technologies
- Technology breakthroughs, such as in-flight deicing systems, radar systems, and other avionics
- Drones
- Helicopters, balloons, and dirigibles

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- NASA’s organization and operations, including budgetary matters
- Space Shuttle Program, including the Challenger and Columbia disasters
- Hubble and James Webb Space Telescopes
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