## PilotController COMMUNICATIONS



## **WEATHER TIPS**



- Always get a current and complete weather briefing prior to departure.
- If the aircraft is not equipped for displaying weather, ask the controller to vector you around any known weather.
- If your aircraft has a failure of any weather equipment, immediately notify the controller if weather conditions are not favorable for VFR flight.



An approach controller's weather is real-time while an en route controller's weather is processed with approximately a four to six minute delay.



Provide Pilot Reports (PIREPs) on any weather you feel other pilots would like to know about.



Immediately report icing conditions if you are flying in an area with no previous icing reports or the icing is different than reported.



- Do not accept a clearance from a controller if you believe it will put the aircraft in a dangerous weather situation. The pilot has the final say!
- Remain a safe distance from convective weather.



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