

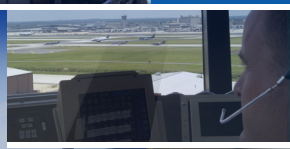


**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Air Traffic Control Specialist

Terminal and
En Route Positions

Frequently Asked
Questions



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Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can a non-citizen apply for Air Traffic Control Specialist jobs?

Non-citizens may be employed only in rare situations where there are insufficient numbers of qualified candidates.

2. Can I attend the FAA Academy for training to obtain an ATCS position?

No. You must be a FAA employee to attend Academy training.

3. Is there a sample test available to assist me in studying for the ATCS exam?

No. There are no FAA approved study guides available.

4. What is the minimum entry age for ATCS positions?

Generally, you must be 18 years old. Under certain circumstances, candidates as young as 16 may be considered.

5. Are there any waivers for the maximum entry age for Air Traffic Control Specialist positions?

There are no waivers to the maximum entry age requirements. However, there is a special program for hiring retired military controllers.

6. I was hired as an FAA ATCS in the terminal option but left to take another position in another agency. Does the maximum entry age apply to me?

No. People who were hired into terminal or en route FAA positions by age 30 but who change jobs can return to covered positions after turning age 31.

7. Am I guaranteed a job if I apply for an ATCS position?

No. There are no guarantees of employment at any time.

8. How can I find more information about the FAA Academy?

Information regarding the FAA Academy can be found at <http://www.atctraining.faa.gov>