



# Fly Quiet Program

## Executive Summary

**The purpose of the Fly Quiet Program is to increase the effectiveness and awareness of existing noise abatement procedures at Mineta San Jose International Airport.** Mineta San Jose International Airport's (SJC) Fly Quiet Program is an airport initiative implemented by the Noise Abatement Office with collaboration from the Airport Noise Advisory Committee and Airport Commission. It encourages airlines to operate as quietly as possible at SJC. The program promotes a participatory approach in complying with noise abatement procedures and objectives by grading an airline's performance and by making the scores available to the public via the Airport website at [www.sjc.org](http://www.sjc.org) under community programs and will also be include in the Annual Report on Airline Compliance. It is intended to be a positive approach to noise abatement.

Fly Quiet is intended to grow and change as new procedures and new technologies are incorporated into the airport's noise abatement program. Launched in January 2009, Fly Quiet evaluates five criteria; the environmental quality of each airline's fleet, adherence to SJC's noise abatement procedures for north and south bound operations, and the number of noise events that exceed established noise levels at selected monitoring sites. All of these operations were individually scored; these individual scores were then combined into a single grade that reflects an airline's overall Fly Quiet rating.

Scores are computed and reports are generated each quarter and then at the end of the year. Frequent contact between airline chief pilots and the noise abatement office is intended to keep interest high and to encourage improvement. The overall goal of the Fly Quiet Program is to influence airlines to operate as quietly as possible into and out of Mineta San Jose International Airport.