



ZKC PDC GUIDE

Pre-departure clearances, or PDCs, are used at several ZKC airports. The benefit to using PDCs is that often-valuable frequency time is not wasted on transmitting a clearance to a pilot, and instead clearances are distributed via private message. PDCs can be used at MCI, STL, TUL. Our alias file contains several PDC formats.

.pdc (altitude) (ground sector ID)

This alias can be used when climb via SID phraseology is not utilized in a clearance. For example, `.pdc 10000 6D` will transmit a clearance instructing an aircraft to maintain 10000 initially, and their ground control frequency is 121.900. If you are the controller providing the ground function, then you can simply type `.pdc 10000`.

.pdcv (ground sector ID)

Use this alias if an aircraft is on a departure procedure where climb via SID phraseology can be applied, and no intermediate altitude needs to be maintained. The same sector ID formatted as above can be applied.

.pdc2 (departure sector ID)

Additional Information (`.pdc2`). The PDC will contain additional information. Must be sent after the first PDC. Leave blank after `.pdc2` if you're working tdm. If you have a departure controller above you, you must include their ID: `.pdc2 94`.

Adding a u to the end of the PDC alias (after the c if a change is made) will issue a departure frequency of 122.8. This can be used for ground/tower controllers when an overlying radar controller is offline. `.pdc2u`, for example, will issue a departure frequency of 122.8. This must be sent after the first PDC as well.

Note: You will never use both `.pdc` and `.pdcv` for the same aircraft. You will also never use `.pdc2` and `.pdc2u` for the same aircraft.