U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Sikorsky S-76

FACT SHEET

Sikorsky S-76 helicopters are a medium-range, tactical apprehension aircraft used by the Office of Air and Marine (OAM) to protect the American public from threats of terrorism and drug smuggling, and to enforce airspace security over critical venues.

OAM's three S-76 helicopters usually fly with a crew of two (pilot and copilot). They are medium lift utility helicopters, which can carry multiple personnel and equipment for various law enforcement operations without sacrificing range or speed.

Additionally, these aircraft are well suited for operations during the day or at night and can be flown in varying weather conditions.

Performance and Weights:

- **Maximum Speed**
  155 knots (178 mph)
- **Service Ceiling Altitude**
  15,000 feet
- **Range**
  439 nautical miles (505 miles)
- **Endurance**
  2.5 hours
- **Maximum Gross Weight**
  11,700 pounds

Features:

- Night vision goggle-compatible
- Satellite communications
- Seats 8 passengers