

Final Documents/Your Two Cents—February 2016

This list includes Federal Register (FR) publications such as rules, Advisory Circulars (ACs), policy statements and related material of interest to ARSA members. The date shown is the date of FR publication or other official release. Proposals opened for public comment represent your chance to provide input on rules and policies that will affect you. Agencies must provide the public notice and an opportunity for comment before their rules or policies change. Your input matters. Comments should be received before the indicated due date; however, agencies often consider comments they receive before drafting of the final document begins.

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February 1, 2016

Rules

AD: [Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters](#)

Published 02/01/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-2069 Effective date 02/16/2016

The FAA is publishing a new AD for Agusta S.p.A. (Agusta) Model A109A and A109All helicopters, which was sent previously to all known U.S. owners and operators of these helicopters. This AD requires checking and inspecting each main rotor blade (blade) for a crack and replacing any cracked blade before further flight.

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: [Airbus Airplanes](#)

Published 02/01/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0451 Comments due 03/17/2016

The FAA proposes to supersede AD 2004-23-20 for certain Airbus Model A300 series airplanes and Model A300 B4-601, A300 B4-603, A300 B4-620, A300 B4-622, A300 B4-605R, A300 B4-622R, A300 F4-605R, and C4-605R Variant F airplanes. This proposed AD would reduce the compliance times for the initial inspection and the inspection intervals. This proposed AD would also expand the applicability and require an additional repair on certain airplanes that have been modified.

Advisory Circular

AC: [Recommended Alternative Inspection Schedule for Daher \(Socata\) TBM Series Aircraft](#)

Issued 01/29/2016 Document #: AC 43-211A

This AC recommends an inspection schedule for owners of Daher (Socata) TBM Series aircraft. If aircraft owners/operators and maintenance providers inspect aircraft under a progressive inspection program, this AC will help ensure they comply with Title 14 CFR part 91, § 91.409. While this AC provides one way of addressing progressive inspections of TBM Series aircraft, it may not be the only way.

Notices

Notice: Approval of 3 NM Separation AOB FL 230 at Facilities using ERAM

Published 02/01/2016 Document #: JO 7110.706 Comments due 02/05/2016

This notice approves the application of 3NM separation AOB FL230 when meeting the requirements of Federal Aviation Administration order (FAAO JO) 7110.65, 5-5-4 MINIMA, at facilities using ERAM.

February 2, 2016

Rules

AD: Bell Helicopter Textron Canada Limited

Published 02/02/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-2068 Effective date 02/02/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for Bell Helicopter Textron Canada Limited (Bell) Model 429 helicopters. This AD requires inspecting each tail rotor (T/R) pitch link (link) bearing bore for corrosion and pitting and either replacing the T/R link or applying sealant. This AD also requires a recurring inspection of the sealant and repeating the inspections for corrosion and pitting if any sealant is missing.

AD: Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes

Published 02/02/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3140 Effective date 03/08/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for certain Bombardier, Inc. Model BD-100-1A10 (Challenger 300) airplanes. This AD requires replacement of the left and right pitot-static probes with newly redesigned left and right pitot-static probes.

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines

Published 02/02/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7490 Comments due 04/04/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for certain Turbomeca S.A. Astazou XIV B and H turboshaft engines. This proposed AD would require a one-time inspection of the front surface of the 3rd stage turbine for a groove.

Legal Interpretations

Legal Interpretation: Whether altering an aircraft in accordance with a Supplemental Type Certificate requires completion of FAA Form 337

Issued 02/02/2016 Regulation/Order #: 14 CFR § 43.9(d), 14 CFR §1.1,
14 CFR § 21.113, 14 CFR § 21.93(a).

This legal interpretation responds to a question regarding the record keeping requirements that apply when altering an aircraft in accordance with a Supplemental Type Certificate (STC).

Orders

Order: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Procedures for Responding to Allegations of Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Reprisals

Issued 02/02/2016 Document #: 3770.14 Effective date 01/29/16

The purpose of this Order is to establish procedures to protect employees from reprisal for engaging in activities protected under the Occupational Safety and Health (“OSH”) Act. This Order will ensure that reprisal allegations reported under this Order will be investigated and resolved in a consistent and uniform manner and that managers are held accountable.

February 3, 2016

Articles

New FAA video explains that the Super Bowl is a No Drone Zone

The Federal Aviation Administration is launching a new public service announcement to let people know the airspace around Levi’s Stadium is a No Drone Zone during the Super Bowl.

Rules

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/03/2016 Docket #: 31054 Effective date 02/03/2016

This rule amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/03/2016 Docket #: 31056 Effective date 02/03/2016

This rule amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/03/2016 Docket #: 31055 Effective date 02/03/2016

This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures (ODPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/03/2016 Docket #: 31053 Effective date 02/03/2016

This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures (ODPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

February 4, 2016

Rules

AD: Airbus Airplanes

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-1417 Effective date 03/10/2016

The FAA is superseding AD 2004-20-14, for all Airbus Model A300 B4-2C, B4-103, and B4-203 airplanes; and all Airbus Model A300 B4-600, B4-600R, and F4-600R series airplanes. This new AD reduces the inspection compliance time and repetitive inspection intervals, and adds Airbus Model A300 C4-605R Variant F airplanes to the applicability.

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-1983 Effective date 03/10/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for all The Boeing Company Model 737-100, -200, -200C, -300, -400, and -500 series airplanes. This AD requires repetitive inspections for cracks on the front spar lower chord, in spar skin, and wing skin, and corrective action if necessary.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class E Airspace for Lynchburg, VA

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-6231 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends Class E Airspace at Lynchburg, VA, by adjusting the geographic coordinates at Lynchburg Regional-Preston Glenn Field Airport and Falwell Airport, to be in concert with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class E Airspace for the following New York Towns; Ithaca, NY; Poughkeepsie, NY

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-4532 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends Class E Airspace at Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport, Ithaca, NY; and Kingston VORTAC, Poughkeepsie, NY, by eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part time status of the Class E surface airspace designated as an extension at the Ithaca and Poughkeepsie locations. This action also adds Dutchess County Airport to the Kingston VORTAC designation, updates the geographic coordinates of each navigation aid and Ithaca Tompkins Regional to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database, and recognizes the airport name for Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport. This is an administrative change to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class E Airspace; Minot, ND

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7485 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends the legal description of the Class E surface area airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension at Minot International Airport, Minot, ND, eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part-time status, and brings current the geographic coordinates of Minot International Airport to coincide with the FAA's database.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class E Airspace; Rapid City, SD

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7492 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends the legal description of the Class E airspace area at Rapid City Regional Airport, Rapid City, SD, eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part-time status of the Class E surface area airspace, and Class E airspace designated as an extension, at the airport. This is an administrative change to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Final Rule: Establishment of Multiple Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; Western United States

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-1345 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action establishes 13 high altitude Area Navigation (RNAV) routes (Q-routes) in the western United States. The routes promote operational efficiencies for users and provide connectivity to current and proposed RNAV en route and terminal procedures. The low altitude RNAV route, T-326, published in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, requires more coordination and is removed from this rule.

Final Rule: Student Pilot Application Requirements

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2010-1127

In rule document 2016-00199 beginning on page 1292 in the issue of Tuesday, January 12, 2016, make the following correction: 1. On pages 1293-1294, table "B. Student Pilot Application Requirements: Summary of Current, Proposed, and Finalized Provisions" is corrected as set forth below. B. Student Pilot Application Requirements: Summary of Current, Proposed, and Finalized Provisions

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: Proposed Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Hagerstown, MD

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-4513 Comments due 03/21/2016

This action proposes to amend Class E Airspace Designated as an Extension to a Class D Surface Area by removing the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part time status for Hagerstown Regional Airport-Richard A. Henson Field, Hagerstown, MD. Also, this action would amend Class D and Class E airspace at Hagerstown, MD by recognizing the name change to Hagerstown Regional Airport-Richard A. Henson Field, and updating the geographic coordinates of the airport. This action would enhance the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

NPRM AD: DG Flugzeugbau GmbH Gliders

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-1130 Comments due 03/21/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for DG Flugzeugbau GmbH Model DG-1000T gliders equipped with a Solo Kleinmotoren Model 2350 C engine that would revise AD 2015-09-04. This proposed AD results from mandatory continuing airworthiness information (MCAI) originated by an aviation authority of another country to identify and correct an unsafe condition on an aviation product. The MCAI describes the unsafe condition as engine shaft failure and consequent propeller detachment. We are issuing this proposed AD to require actions to address the unsafe condition on these products.

NPRM: Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Beach, ND

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-5801 Comments due 03/21/2016

This action proposes to establish Class E airspace at Beach, ND. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures developed at Beach Airport, for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

NPRM: Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Hollis, OK

Published 02/04/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0835 Comments due 03/21/2016

This action proposes to establish Class E airspace at Hollis, OK. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures developed at Hollis Municipal Airport, for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

Orders

Order: Location Identifiers

Issued 02/04/2016 Document #: JO 7350.9E Effective date 02/04/2016

This order lists current identifiers and codes in the United States and Canada air traffic control systems. It contains guidelines for requesting location identifiers, name-codes, and procedure codes. Also, a brief explanation of assignment principles is included.

Notices

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Aviation Maintenance Technical Schools

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02163 Comments due 04/04/2016

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew a previously approved information collection. The information collected is needed to determine applicant eligibility and compliance for certification of Civil Aviation mechanics and operation of aviation mechanic schools.

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: B4UFLY Smartphone App

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02162 Comments due 03/07/2016

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. The FAA's B4UFLY smartphone app will provide situational awareness of flight restrictions—including locations of airports, restricted airspace, special use airspaces, and temporary flight restrictions—based on a user's current or planned flight location.

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Changes in Permissible Stage 2 Airplane Operations

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02160 Comments due 03/07/2016

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. This information will be used to issue special flight authorizations for non-revenue transports and non-transport jet operations of Stage 2 airplanes at U.S. airports. Only a minimal amount of data is requested to identify the affected parties and determine whether the purpose for the flight is one of those enumerated by law.

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Dealer's Aircraft Registration Certificate Application

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02158 Comments due 03/07/2016

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to reinstate a previously discontinued information collection. AC Form 8050-5 is an application for a dealer's Aircraft Registration Certificate which, under 49 United States Code 1404, may be issued to a person engaged in manufacturing, distributing, or selling aircraft.

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Human Space Flight Requirements for Crew and Space Flight Participants

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02156 Comments due 04/04/2016

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew a previously approved information collection. The FAA uses the information collected related to public safety to ensure that a launch or reentry operation involving a human on board a vehicle will meet the risk criteria and requirements with regard to ensuring public safety.

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Operating Requirements: Commuter and On-Demand Operation

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02157 Comments due 03/07/2016

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. Title 49 U.S.C., Section 44702 authorizes issuance of air carrier operating certificates. 14 CFR part 135 prescribes requirement for Air Carrier/Commercial Operators. The information collected shows compliance and applicant eligibility.

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Pilot Schools-FAR 141

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02170 Comments due 03/07/2016

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, FAA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection. 49 U.S.C. Section 44707 empowers the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to provide for the examination and rating of civilian schools giving instruction in flying. This CFR prescribes the requirements for issuing pilot school certificates, provisional pilot school certificates and associated ratings to qualified applicants.

Notice: Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee-New Task

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02046

The FAA assigned the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) a continuation of a task to provide recommendations regarding standards, training guidance, test management, and reference materials for airman certification purposes. The FAA added the Aircraft Mechanic Certificate with Airframe and/or Powerplant ratings to the existing list of certificates and ratings for which the ARAC will provide recommendations. This notice informs the public of the continuing ARAC activity and solicits additional membership for the existing Airman Certification System Working Group (ACS WG).

Notice: Noise Exposure Map Notice; Great Falls International Airport, Great Falls, MT

Published 02/04/2016 Document #: 2016-02020

The FAA announces its determination that the Noise Exposure Maps submitted by the Great Falls International Airport Authority for the Great Falls International Airport under the provisions of 40 U.S.C. 47501 et seq. (Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act) and 14 CFR 150 are in compliance with applicable requirements.

February 5, 2016

Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: Airbus Airplanes

Published 02/05/2016 Docket #: FAA-2013-0828 Comments due 03/21/2016

The FAA is revising an earlier NPRM AD for certain Airbus Model A330-200 and -300 series airplanes; and Model A340-200 and -300 series airplanes. The NPRM proposed to supersede AD 2009-15-17 to continue to require inspections for damage to the protective treatments or any corrosion of all main landing gear (MLG) bogie beams, application of protective treatments, and corrective action if necessary. The NPRM also proposed to require modification of the MLG bogie beams, to allow optional methods of compliance for certain actions, and to add airplanes to the applicability.

Notices

Meeting: Seventeenth Meeting: RTCA NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC)

Meeting date 02/25/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 3:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Seventeenth RTCA NextGen Advisory Committee (NAC) meeting.

February 8, 2016

Rules

Final Rule: Amendment of Class E Airspace for the Following Michigan Towns: Alpena, MI; and Muskegon, MI

Published 02/08/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7483 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends the legal description of the Class E surface area airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension at Alpena County Regional Airport, Alpena, MI, and Muskegon County Airport, Muskegon, MI, eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part-time status, and updates the geographic coordinates of Muskegon County Airport, to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class E Airspace for the Following Minnesota Towns: Rochester, MN; and St. Cloud, MN

Published 02/08/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7484 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends the legal description of the Class E surface area airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension, at Rochester International Airport, Rochester, MN, and St. Cloud Regional Airport, St. Cloud, MN, eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part-time status. This action also updates the geographic coordinates of Rochester International Airport to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class E Airspace; Wilmington, OH

Published 02/08/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7486 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends the legal description of Class E surface area airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension at Wilmington Air Park, Wilmington, OH, eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part-time status. This action also updates the airport name of Wilmington Air Park, Wilmington, OH, to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/08/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0462 Comments due 03/24/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for certain The Boeing Company Model 737-600, -700, -700C, -800, -900, and -900ER series airplanes. This proposed AD would require an inspection for chafing damage of wire bundles and a hydraulic tube in the right side of the MLG wheel well, and corrective action if necessary; and installation of clamps between the wire bundles and hydraulic tube.

Notices

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Firestorm UAV

Published 02/08/2016 Document #: 2016-02345 Comments due 02/29/2016

The petitioner seeks to operate an unmanned aerial system (UAS) to conduct emergency services operations in nighttime hours.

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Wes Myers

Published 02/08/2016 Document #: 2016-02347 Comments due 02/29/2016

The petitioner seeks to amend Exemption No. 11592A for relief from Condition and Limitation 13 regarding Pilot in Command requirements to operate an unmanned aerial system (UAS) for aerial data collection.

February 9, 2016

Articles

FAA Administrator Michael Huerta Statement on Global Carbon Emissions Standards Agreement

"I am pleased that ICAO reached an international consensus on a meaningful standard to foster reduction in CO2 emissions from aircraft. We are encouraged by this success and believe it puts us on a promising path to secure a robust market-based measure later this year. This is another example of the administration's deep commitment to working with the international community on policies that will reduce harmful carbon pollution worldwide."

FAA Updates DC-Area Unmanned Aircraft Procedures

The FAA is updating its conditions today for flying unmanned aircraft in the area between 15 and 30 miles from Washington, D.C. to clarify differences for various types of unmanned aircraft. As of 12:01 a.m. EST, Wednesday, February 10, the operating procedures will allow model aircraft, commercial and public users to operate in the outer ring of the Special Flight Rules Area (SFRA) under specific conditions.

Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS)

FSIMS: RCCB Decision: Revision Dates on Maintenance Manuals

Issued 02/04/2016

Concur or non-concur with comment on the resolutions facilitated by the Regulatory Consistency Communication Board (RCCB). This memo serves as documentation of the actions taken to address the issues described below. This memo is not a policy document. Refer to current guidance for decision-making support.

Notices

Notice: Notice of Intent To Rule on Request To Release Airport Property at the Monroe Regional Airport at Monroe, Louisiana.

Published 02/09/2016 Document #: 2016-02563 Comments due 03/10/2016

The FAA proposes to rule and invite public comment on the release of land at the Monroe Regional Airport at Monroe, Louisiana under the provisions of Section 125 of the Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment Reform Act for the 21st Century (AIR 21).

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Bowhead Mission Solutions

Published 02/09/2016 Document #: 2016-02566 Comments due 02/29/2016

The petitioner seeks to operate an unmanned aerial system (UAS) to conduct aerial photography for the University of Nevada—Las Vegas athletic department for activities at the Sam Boyd Stadium.

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Sky-Futures USA, Inc.

Published 02/09/2016 Document #: 2016-02565 Comments due 02/29/2016

The petitioner is requesting relief to launch its small unmanned aircraft systems (sUAS) from a moving vessel such as a boat for the commercial purpose of aerial data collection of motor vessels and sailing vessels over open waters.

Meeting: Seventh Meeting; RTCA Special Committee (229) Aircraft Emergency Locator Transmitters (ELTs) (Joint With EUROCAE WG-98)

Meeting date 03/16-18/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 5:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Seventh RTCA Special Committee 229 meeting.

Meeting: Sixty-Seventh Meeting: RTCA Special Committee (135) Environmental Conditions and Test Procedures for Airborne Equipment

Meeting date 03/29-31/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 5:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Sixty-Seventh RTCA Special Committee 135 meeting.

Meeting: Twelfth Meeting; RTCA Tactical Operations Committee (TOC)

Meeting date 03/03/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 4:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Twelfth RTCA Tactical Operations Committee meeting.

February 10, 2016

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: [Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Horseshoe Bend, AR](#)

Published 02/10/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-5802 Comments due 03/28/2016

This action proposes to establish Class E airspace at Horseshoe Bend, AR. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures developed at Horseshoe Bend Airport, for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

NPRM: [Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Ketchum, OK](#)

Published 02/10/2016 Document #: 2016-02549 Comments due 03/28/2016

This action proposes to establish Class E airspace at Ketchum, OK. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures developed at South Grand Lake Regional Airport, for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

Flight Standards Service Information for Operators (InFO)

InFO: [Cancellation of National Weather Service \(NWS\) Supplementary Aviation Weather Reporting Stations \(SAWRS\) Program and the Federal Aviation Administration \(FAA\) Assumption of Oversight for Uploading](#)

Issued 02/01/2016 InFO #: 16001

This InFO notifies operators, pilots and aircraft dispatchers of the elimination of the NWS SAWRS Program and the process to merge the program into the FAA Non Federal Observer (NF-OBS) Program.

Notices

Notice: [Transportation of Lithium Ion and Lithium Ion Polymer Batteries as Cargo](#)

Published 02/10/2016 Document #: N 8900.344 Comments due 02/9/16

This notice provides guidance to principal inspectors (PI) and Hazardous Materials Safety Inspectors (HSI) on surveillance requirements of operational procedures for the carriage of lithium ion and lithium ion polymer batteries as cargo on aircraft.

Notice: [Noise Exposure Map Notice for San Francisco International Airport, San Francisco, California](#)

Published 02/10/2016 Document #: 2016-02668

The FAA announces its determination that the noise exposure maps submitted by the City and County of San Francisco for San Francisco International Airport under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 47501 et. seq (Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act) and 14 CFR part 150 are in compliance with applicable requirements.

February 11, 2016

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Coldwater, KS

Published 02/11/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-5194 Comments due 03/28/2016

This action proposes to establish Class E airspace at Coldwater, KS. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures developed at Commanche County Airport, for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

Special Conditions

SC: The Boeing Company, Model 737-8 Airplanes; Design Roll-Maneuver Requirements

Published 02/11/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-5877 Effective date 03/28/2016

These special conditions are issued for Boeing Model 737-8 airplanes. These airplanes will have a novel or unusual design feature associated with an electronic flight-control system that provides roll control of the airplane through pilot inputs to the flight computers. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature. These special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards.

Proposed Special Conditions

SC: The Boeing Company, Boeing Model 737-8 Airplane; Non-Rechargeable Lithium Battery Installations

Published 02/11/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-5758 Comments due 03/28/2016

This action proposes special conditions for the Boeing Model 737-8 airplane. This airplane will have a novel or unusual design feature when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport-category airplanes. This design feature is non-rechargeable lithium battery systems. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature. These proposed special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards.

Notices

Notice: Establishment of Class E Airspace; Clinton AR

Published 02/11/2016 Document #: 2015-3967 Comments due 05/26/2016

This action establishes Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Clinton Municipal Airport, Clinton, AR, to accommodate new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport. This action also corrects the state identifier in the legal airspace description.

Meeting: Seventh Meeting: RTCA Special Committee (230) Airborne Weather Detection Systems (Joint With EUROCAE WG-95)

Meeting date 02/16-18/2016 Meeting time 8:30am – 5:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Seventh RTCA Special Committee 230 meeting.

February 12, 2016

Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS)

FSIMS: SP 6.3 135E OP Cargo Acceptance & Handling

Issued 02/10/2016

The CH is responsible to manage the safety of the Cargo Acceptance & Handling processes within its operation.

FSIMS: SP 6.3 135B OP Cargo Acceptance & Handling

Issued 02/10/2016

The CH is responsible to manage the safety of the Cargo Acceptance & Handling processes within its operation.

FSIMS: SP 6.3 121A OP Cargo Acceptance & Handling

Issued 02/10/2016

The CH is responsible to manage the safety of the Cargo Acceptance & Handling processes within its operation.

FSIMS: SP 6.0 135D OP Ground and Station Operations

Issued 02/10/2016

The CH is responsible to manage the safety of the Cargo Acceptance & Handling processes within its operation.

FSIMS: SP 6.0 135C OP Ground and Station Operations

Issued 02/10/2016

The CH is responsible to manage the safety of the Cargo Acceptance & Handling processes within its operation.

FSIMS: ED 6.3.2 121A OP Hazardous Materials

Issued 02/10/2016

The CH is responsible to manage the safety of the Cargo Acceptance & Handling processes within its operation.

February 16, 2016

Articles

The FAA Reminds You to Register Your Drone

The FAA is reminding drone owners about this week's registration deadline. If you own a drone weighing more than 0.55 lbs. but less than 55 lbs., and you've been flying it outdoors or plan to fly it outdoors for hobby or recreation, federal law requires you to register by this Friday, February 19, 2016.

FAA Administrator Visits Singapore

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Administrator Michael Huerta today signed a milestone Maintenance Implementation Procedures (MIP) agreement with the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS). He is visiting the Singapore Air Show and meeting with Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) aviation leaders this week as part of his commitment to further U.S. global leadership in aviation.

Rules

Final Rule: Harmonization of Airworthiness Standards-Fire Extinguishers and Class B and F Cargo Compartments

Published 02/16/2016 Docket #: FAA-2014-0001 Effective date 04/18/2016

The FAA is amending certain airworthiness regulations for transport category airplanes by upgrading fire safety standards for Class B cargo compartments; establishing fire safety standards for a new type of cargo compartment, Class F; and updating related standards for fire extinguishers. This amendment is based on recommendations from the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) and the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), and the changes address designs for which airworthiness directives (ADs) have been issued by both the FAA and the French civil aviation authority, Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile (DGAC).

Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS)

FSIMS: BOMBARDIER DHC-8-400

Issued 02/18/2016

Revision 8 of the Bombardier DHC-8-400 Master Minimum Equipment List.

Notices

Notice: Petition for Authorization To Exceed Mach 1; Summary of Petition Received; The Boeing Company

Published 02/16/2016 Document #: 2016-03003

This notice summarizes a petition received by the FAA requesting a special flight authorization as described in FAA regulations. The FAA is not requesting comments because a special flight authorization petition to exceed Mach 1 follows a separate regulatory process.

February 17, 2016

Rules

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-0249 Comments due 03/23/2016

The FAA is superseding AD 2012-18-05 for The Boeing Company Model DC-9-10, DC-9-20, DC-9-30, DC-9-40, and DC-9-50 series airplanes; and Model DC-9-81 (MD-81), DC-9-82 (MD-82), DC-9-83 (MD-83), DC-9-87 (MD-87), MD-88, and MD-90-30 airplanes; equipped with a center wing fuel tank and Boeing original equipment manufacturer-installed auxiliary fuel tanks. This new AD allows certain actions as optional methods of compliance.

Final Rule: Amendment of Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; Northeast United States

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3361 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action modifies jet routes J-6, J-97, and J-222, and VOR Federal airways V-196, and V-489, in the northeastern United States due to the planned decommissioning of the Plattsburgh, NY, VORTAC facility. These route changes enhance the safety and management of airspace within the National Airspace System.

Final Rule: Establishment of Class E Airspace; International Falls, MN

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3084 Effective date 05/26/2016

This action establishes Class E airspace in the International Falls, MN, area to facilitate vectoring of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) aircraft under control of Minneapolis Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC). This action enhances the safety and efficiency of aircraft operations within the National Airspace System (NAS).

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: Airbus Airplanes

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3696 Comments due 04/04/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for all Airbus Model A318, A319, A320, and A321 series airplanes. This proposed AD would require inspecting certain THSAs to determine the number of total flight cycles the THSA has accumulated, and replacing the THSA if necessary.

NPRM: Proposed Amendment of Class E Airspace for the Following South Dakota Towns: Belle Fourche, SD; Madison, SD; Mobridge, SD; and Vermillion, SD

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0525 Comments due 04/04/2016

This action proposes to modify Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Belle Fourche Municipal Airport, Belle Fourche, SD; Madison Municipal Airport, Madison, SD; Mobridge Municipal Airport, Mobridge, SD; and Harold Davidson Field, Vermillion, SD. The decommissioning of non-directional radio beacons (NDB) and/or cancellation of NDB approaches due to advances in Global Positioning System (GPS) capabilities have made this action necessary for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the above airports.

NPRM: Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Dupree, SD

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3599 Comments due 04/04/2016

This action proposes to establish Class E en route domestic airspace in the Dupree, SD, area, to facilitate vectoring of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) aircraft under control of Minneapolis Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC). The FAA is proposing this action to enhance the safety and efficiency of aircraft operations within the National Airspace System (NAS).

NPRM: Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Lisbon, ND

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-5800 Comments due 04/04/2016

This action proposes to establish Class E airspace at Lisbon, ND. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures developed at Lisbon Municipal Airport, for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

Advisory Circular

AC: Truth in Leasing

Issued 02/17/2016 Document #: AC 91-37B

This AC provides information and guidance for lessees and conditional buyers of U.S.-registered aircraft. While truth-in-leasing requirements are required by regulation for aircraft weighing more than 12,500 pounds, the FAA prepared this AC to ensure any person who is seeking to lease an aircraft understands the meaning of operational control and does not enter into an agreement where operational control is not clearly maintained by the appropriate party.

Special Conditions

SC: Dassault Aviation Model Falcon 5X Airplane, Design Roll Maneuver Condition

Published 02/17/2016 Docket #: FAA-2014-1077 Effective date 02/17/2016

These special conditions are issued for the Dassault Aviation Model Falcon 5X airplane. This airplane will have novel or unusual design features when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport-category airplanes. This design feature is electronic flight controls that affect maneuvering. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature. These special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards.

February 18, 2016

Articles

FAA Proposes \$197,500 Civil Penalty Against R&R Conner Aviation

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposes a \$197,500 civil penalty against R&R Conner Aviation (RCA) of Conner, Mont., for allegedly operating a Bell UH-1B helicopter when it was not in compliance with Federal Aviation Regulations.

Rules

AD: Airbus Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0467 Effective date 03/04/2016

The FAA is superseding AD 2015-26-02 for all Airbus Model A330-200, A330-200 Freighter, and A330-300 series airplanes; and Airbus Model A340-200, A340-300, A340-500, and A340-600 series airplanes. AD 2015-26-02 required, for certain airplanes, identification of the part number, serial number, and standard of the ram air turbine (RAT) pump, RAT module, RAT actuator, and RAT lower gearbox assembly; replacement of the balance weight screw, modification of the actuator coil spring, modification of the actuator, an inspection of the anti-stall valve for correct installation in the RAT pump housing; and corrective actions if necessary. For certain other airplanes, AD 2015-26-02 required re-identification or replacement of the RAT module. This new AD requires the same actions as AD 2015-26-02.

AD: B-N Group Ltd. Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-4803 Effective date 03/24/2016

The FAA is superseding an AD 2014-03-18 for B-N Group Ltd. Models BN-2, BN-2A, BN-2A-2, BN-2A-3, BN-2A-6, BN-2A-8, BN-2A-9, BN-2A-20, BN-2A-21, BN-2A-26, BN-2A-27, BN-2B-20, BN-2B-21, BN-2B-26, BN-2B-27, BN2A MK. III, BN2A MK. III-2, and BN2A MK. III-3 airplanes. The MCAI describes the unsafe condition as damage of the cable sliding end assembly and installation of the incorrect end fitting on engine control cable assemblies.

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-2460 Effective date 03/24/2016

The FAA is superseding AD 2010-26-10, which applied to certain The Boeing Company Model 747-200C, -200F, -400, -400D, and -400F series airplanes. AD 2010-26-10 required repetitive inspections for cracking of the lap joints, modification of certain lap joints, and certain post-repair inspections of the lap joints. This new AD adds new repetitive post-modification inspections for cracking in the lap joints, and repair if necessary.

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3630 Effective date 03/24/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for all The Boeing Company Model 747-400F series airplanes. This AD requires inspections of the upper closure fitting and connected strap and doubler at the nose cargo door portal for cracking, and related investigative and corrective actions if necessary.

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: Airbus Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0466 Comments due 04/04/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for certain Airbus Model A300 B4-603, B4-605R, and B4-622R airplanes; and Model A310-304, -324, and -325 airplanes. This proposed AD would require inspections around the rivet heads of the seal retainer run-out holes at certain frames and corrective actions if necessary.

NPRM AD: Airbus Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0465 Comments due 04/04/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for certain Airbus Model A330-200 and -300 series airplanes; and Model A340-200 and -300 series airplanes. This proposed AD would require identifying any repairs and ADs used to assess or control any structural damage on certain structural areas, and corrective action if necessary.

NPRM AD: Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0464 Comments due 04/04/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for all Fokker Services B.V. Model F.28 Mark 0070 and 0100 airplanes. This proposed AD would require revising the maintenance program or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate certain maintenance requirement tasks, thresholds, and intervals.

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3697 Comments due 04/04/2016

The FAA proposes to supersede AD 2011-01-15, which applies to certain The Boeing Company Model 757-200, -200CB, and -300 series airplanes. AD 2011-01-15 currently requires repetitive inspections for cracking of the fuselage skin of the crown skin panel along the chem-milled step at stringers S-4L (left) and S-4R (right), from stations (STA) 297 through STA 439, and repair, if necessary. AD 2011-01-15 also includes terminating action for the repetitive inspections of the repaired areas only. This proposed AD would add repetitive inspections for cracking in additional areas and repair if necessary. This proposed AD would also remove airplanes from the applicability in AD 2011-01-15. This proposed AD would also add an optional skin panel replacement which would terminate all inspections and an optional preventative modification that would terminate certain inspections.

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/18/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0463 Comments due 04/04/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for all The Boeing Company Model 777 airplanes. This proposed AD would require identification and replacement of certain MLG aft trunnion pins.

February 19, 2016**Articles****FAA, DHS, CACI, UMD Perform UAS Detection Work**

Each month, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) receives more than 100 reports from pilots and others who spot what appears to be an unmanned aircraft (UAS) flying close to an airport or a manned airplane. It's become a serious safety concern for the agency, and a potential security issue for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Rules

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/19/2016 Docket #: 31058 Effective date 02/19/2016

This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures (ODPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/19/2016 Docket #: 31061 Effective date 02/19/2016

This rule amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/19/2016 Docket #: 31059 Effective date 02/19/2016

This rule amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/19/2016 Docket #: 31060 Effective date 02/19/2016

This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures (ODPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Enid Vance AFB, OK; Enid Woodring Municipal Airport, Enid, OK; and Enid, OK

Published 02/19/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7489 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends the legal descriptions of Class E surface area airspace, and Class E airspace designated as an extension in the Enid, OK, area eliminating the Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) part-time status at Vance AFB, and Enid Woodring Municipal Airport. This action also updates the geographic coordinates of Vance AFB, Woodring Municipal Airport, and the Vance VHF Omnidirectional Range Tactical Air Navigation (VORTAC) listed for Class D and Class E airspace. This is an administrative change to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Legal Interpretations

Legal Interpretation: Clarification of 14 C.F.R. § 141.38(d)

Issued 02/18/2016 Regulation/Order #: Section 141.38(d) of 14 C.F.R.

This legal interpretation responds to a question regarding Section 141.38(d) of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 C.F.R.). The FAA has determined that there is no issue of legal interpretation. Section 141.38(d) of 14 C.F.R. requires each airport to have a traffic direction indicator when: (1) the airport does not have an operating control tower; and (2) UNICOM advisories are not available. The requirements in § 141.38(d) are not conditional on whether the airport uses a non-standard traffic pattern. Therefore, if your airport does not have an operating control tower and does not have UNICOM advisories available, your airport must have a traffic direction indicator.

February 22, 2016

Rules

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/22/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-2456 Effective date 03/28/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for all The Boeing Company Model 767 airplanes. This AD requires repetitive inspections of the skin hidden by the upper and lower splice fittings on both sides of the fuselage, and corrective action if necessary.

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/22/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3698 Comments due 04/07/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for certain The Boeing Company Model 767-200 and -300 series airplanes. This proposed AD would require replacing the aft pressure bulkhead with a new, improved aft pressure bulkhead, and doing related investigative and corrective actions if necessary.

February 23, 2016

Rules

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/23/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3699 Effective date 03/09/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for certain The Boeing Company Model 787-8 airplanes. This AD requires revising the maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to include an airworthiness limitation for repetitive inspections of the web fastener holes in the overwing flex-tees.

Flight Standards Service Information for Operators (InFO)

InFO: Helicopter Air Ambulance (HAA) Litter (Stretcher) System

Issued 02/22/2016 InFO #: 16002

This InFO serves to inform HAA operators of possible insufficient data for installed litter (stretcher) systems. These systems consist of a commercial land ambulance stretcher installed under a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) field approval. These systems include the litter locks along with the stretcher adapter plates.

Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS)

FSIMS: Boeing B-747-400, B-747-400D, B-747-400F

Issued 02/24/2016

Revision 30 of the Boeing 747 B-747-400, B-747-400D, B-747-400F Master Minimum Equipment List.

Notices

Notice: Notice of Intent To Rule on Disposal of Aeronautical Property at Smyrna/Rutherford County Airport, Smyrna, TN

Published 02/23/2016 Document #: 2016-03686 Comments due 03/24/2016

The FAA is requesting public comment on a request by the Smyrna/Rutherford County Airport Authority, Smyrna, TN, to release land at the Smyrna/Rutherford County Airport. The request consists of approximately 2.01 acres of property non-contiguous to the airport on Rooker Road located three miles southeast of the airport. This release will allow the property to be sold for airport revenue.

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Alwyn Lynch

Published 02/23/2016 Document #: 2016-03713 Comments due 03/14/2016

The petitioner seeks relief from §§ 121.436(a)(3) and/or (c) with regards to the pilot in command (PIC) experience requirements so as to allow Mr. Lynch to credit 500 hours of equivalent PIC experience, technical knowledge, and experience towards the PIC flight time requirements of § 121.436.

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; American Airlines, Inc.](#)

Published 02/23/2016 Document #: 2016-03710 Comments due 03/14/2016

American Airlines, Inc. requests an exemption to use the combined line operating flight time from the Boeing 757 and Boeing 767 for the purposes of satisfying the 75 hour line operating flight time requirement for crew pairing and to combine the pilot in command (PIC) flight time from either the Boeing 757, Boeing 767, or both to satisfy the requirement of 100 hours of PIC operational flight time, in order to operate to the normal Category I and Category II minimums.

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; United Airlines, Inc.](#)

Published 02/23/2016 Document #: 2016-03709 Comments due 03/14/2016

United Airlines, Inc. requests an exemption to allow it to pair crewmembers with less than 75 hours in either the Boeing 757 (B757) or the Boeing 767 (B767), conditioned on United requiring that the pilot in command (PIC) or second in command must have at least 75 hours of combined line operating flight time in the B757 and B767 for crew pairing requirements. The petitioner also requests to allow PIC flight times logged either in the B757 or B767 to meet the 100 hours of PIC time required in order to avoid being subject to higher minimums in either aircraft type once the combined flight time exceeds 100 hours.

February 24, 2016

Articles

[FAA Proposes \\$275,000 Civil Penalty Against Atlas Airlines](#)

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) proposes a \$275,000 civil penalty against Atlas Airlines of Purchase, N.Y., for allegedly operating a Boeing 747 after performing improper maintenance on the aircraft.

[FAA Unveils Effort to Expand the Safe Integration of Unmanned Aircraft](#)

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is establishing an aviation rulemaking committee (PDF)with industry stakeholders to develop recommendations for a regulatory framework that would allow certain UAS to be operated over people who are not directly involved in the operation of the aircraft. The FAA is taking this action to provide a more flexible, performance-based approach for these operations than what was considered for Micro UAS. The committee will begin its work in March and issue its final report to the FAA on April 1.

Rules

[AD: Change of Controlling Agency for Selected Restricted Areas; North Carolina](#)

Published 02/24/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-0151 Effective date 03/31/2016

This action amends Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 73 to update the controlling agency for restricted areas R-5302A, B and C, Albemarle Sound, NC; restricted areas R-5313A, B, C and D, Long Shoal Point, NC; and restricted areas R-5314A, B, C, D, E, F, H and J, Dare County, NC. Washington Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) has delegated controlling agency authority for the above restricted areas to the Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Cherry Point, Radar Air Traffic Control Facility (RATCF). There are no changes to the boundaries; designated altitudes; time of designation or activities conducted within the restricted areas.

Legal Interpretations

Legal Interpretation: Flight and duty regulations under 14 CFR part 135

Issued 02/22/2016 Regulation/Order #: 14 CFR part 135

This legal interpretation responds to questions regarding certain flight, duty and rest requirements. The request does not reference any specific regulations under part 135. The FAA invites FAASTeam FSDO 19 to consult previous legal interpretations on part 135 and to send another request, if it still has questions.

Notices

Notice: Noise Exposure Map Notice for Los Angeles International Airport, Los Angeles, California

Published 02/24/2016 Document #: 2016-03807 Comments due 02/24/2016

The FAA announces its determination that the noise exposure maps submitted by Los Angeles World Airports, for Los Angeles International Airport under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 47501 et. seq (Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act) and 14 CFR part 150 are in compliance with applicable requirements.

February 25, 2016

Rules

AD: MD Helicopters Inc., Helicopters

Published 02/25/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3659 Effective date 03/31/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for MD Helicopters, Inc. (MDHI), Model 369A, 369D, 369E, 369FF, 369HE, 369HM, 369HS, 500N, and 600N helicopters with a certain part-numbered main rotor blade attach pin (pin) installed. This AD requires ensuring the life limit of the pin as listed in the Airworthiness Limitations section of aircraft maintenance records and Instructions for Continued Airworthiness (ICA). These actions are intended to document the life limit to prevent a pin remaining in service beyond its fatigue life, which could result in failure of a pin, failure of a main rotor blade, and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

Proposed Rule

NPRM AD: Airbus Airplanes

Published 02/25/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3701 Comments due 04/11/2016

The FAA proposes to supersede AD 2013-25-08, for all Airbus Model A330-200, -200 Freighter, and -300 series airplanes; and Model A340-200 and -300 series airplanes. This proposed AD would add airplanes to the applicability, and require modifying the green, blue and yellow high pressure hydraulic manifolds by replacing certain check valves with improved check valves, which would terminate the repetitive inspections required by this proposed AD.

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/25/2016 Docket #: FAA-2011-0254 Withdrawn 02/25/2016

The FAA withdraws a NPRM that proposed a new airworthiness directive (AD), which would have applied to certain The Boeing Company Model 737-600, -700, -700C, -800, -900, and -900ER series airplanes. Since the NPRM was issued, the manufacturer notified us that an assumption regarding a failure mode of the rod ends or attachment fittings for the thrust reverser actuator used in the original safety assessment was incorrect. A new safety analysis was conducted and we determined that this issue is no longer a safety concern. Accordingly, the NPRM is withdrawn.

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/25/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3702 Comments due 04/11/2016

The FAA proposes to supersede AD 2013-24-12, which applies to all The Boeing Company Model 747-8 and 747-8F airplanes. This proposed AD would retain the requirements of AD 2013-24-12 and add requirements to install new barrel nuts at the forward engine mounts; or identify the part number of the barrel nuts, inspect affected barrel nuts for gaps of the strut bulkhead and forward engine mount, and do related investigative and corrective actions if necessary. This proposed AD would also remove airplanes from the applicability.

Advisory Circular

AC: Certification: Pilots and Flight and Ground Instructors

Issued 02/25/2016 Document #: AC 61-65F

This AC provides guidance for pilot applicants, pilots, flight instructors, ground instructors, and examiners on the certification standards, knowledge test procedures, and other requirements in Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 61. This revision provides guidance for those persons seeking a student pilot certificate and endorsements for student pilot privileges.

Legal Interpretations

Legal Interpretation: Clarification of Instrument Rating Requirements of 14 C.F.R. § 61.65(d)(2)

Issued 02/25/2016 Regulation/Order #: 14 C.F.R. § 61.65(d)(2).

This legal interpretation responds to a question asking whether aeronautical experience used to satisfy requirements of § 61.109(a)(3), the control and maneuvering of an airplane solely by reference to instruments, can also be used to satisfy the requirements of § 61.65(d)(2), which specifies the aeronautical experience requirements for an instrument rating.

Proposed Special Conditions

SC: Lufthansa Technik AG; Boeing Model 747-8 Series Airplanes, Large Non-Structural Glass in the Passenger Compartment

Published 02/25/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-7689 Comments due 03/16/2016

This action proposes special conditions for the Boeing Model 747-8 airplane. This airplane, as modified by Lufthansa Technik AG, will have a novel or unusual design feature when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport-category airplanes. This design feature is large, non-structural glass panels in the passenger compartment. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature. These proposed special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards.

SC: L-3 Communications Integrated Systems; Boeing Model 747-8 Series Airplanes, Large Non-Structural Glass in the Passenger Compartment

Published 02/25/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3324 Comments due 03/28/2016

This action proposes special conditions for the Boeing Model 747-8 airplane. This airplane, as modified by L-3 Communications Integrated Systems, will have a novel or unusual design feature when compared to the state of technology envisioned in the airworthiness standards for transport-category airplanes. This design feature is large, non-structural glass panels in the passenger compartment. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature. These proposed special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established by the existing airworthiness standards.

Flight Standards Service Information for Operators (InFO)

InFO: Exemption 12555 Process

Issued 2/17/2016 InFO #: 16003

This InFO explains the process for operating under Exemption 12555 and summarizes the associated conditions and limitations.

Notices

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation

Published 02/25/2016 Document #: 2016-03978 Comments due 03/16/2016

The petitioner is seeking an exemption from § 61.57(a) and (b) to allow pilots/operators operating Gulfstream model G-IV, GIV-X, GV, GV-SP and GVI (G650 and G650ER) to use any of the listed aircraft or a Level B, C, or D simulator that represents one of the types of Gulfstream airplanes to meet the recent takeoff and landing experience requirements of § 61.57, without Gulfstream holding a 14 CFR part 142 certificate.

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Helicopters West Aerospace LLC](#)

Published 02/25/2016 Document #: 2016-03980 Comments due 03/16/2016

The petitioner requests to operate a small unmanned aircraft system over land and/or water to photograph sporting events, entertainment and news gathering events for the general public and purchase by sports, entertainment, and media organizations.

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Leading Edge Associates, Inc.](#)

Published 02/25/2016 Document #: 2016-03964 Comments due 03/16/2016

The petitioner is requesting relief in order to operate a PrecisionVision 30 Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) for mosquito adulticiding and larvaciding in the vector markets using EPA approved, Federally labeled and registered products in the National Airspace System (NAS).

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Liberty Mutual Insurance Company](#)

Published 02/25/2016 Document #: 2016-03984 Comments due 03/16/2016

The petitioner is requesting relief from the restriction from operating an Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) closer than 500 feet to nonparticipating persons, vehicles, or structures in order to conduct roof and building inspections in urban and suburban environments. Petitioner seeks to establish a 25' perimeter around the building or structure being inspected.

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; M3 Consulting Group, LLC](#)

Published 02/25/2016 Document #: 2016-03969 Comments due 03/16/2016

The petitioner is requesting relief related to Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) operations for Aerial Release for Sterile Insect Technique.

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; SEESPAN, Inc.](#)

Published 02/25/2016 Document #: 2016-03983 Comments due 03/16/2016

The petitioner requests to operate a small unmanned aircraft system over land and/or water to photograph sporting events, entertainment and news gathering events for the general public and purchase by sports, entertainment, and media organizations.

Meeting: [Government/Industry Aeronautical Charting Forum Meeting](#)

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| Meeting date the Instrument Procedures Group (IPG) will meet April 26, 2016 and the Charting Group will meet April 27 and 28, 2016 | Meeting time: the Instrument Procedures Group (IPG) will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and the Charting Group will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Time zone (EST/etc.) |
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This notice announces the bi-annual meeting of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Aeronautical Charting Forum (ACF) to discuss informational content and design of aeronautical charts and related products, as well as instrument flight procedures development policy and design criteria.

February 26, 2016

Rules

AD: ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Régional Airplanes

Published 02/26/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-1280 Effective date 04/01/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for certain ATR—GIE Avions de Transport Régional Model ATR42-500 airplanes, and Model ATR72-102, -202, -212, and -212A airplanes. This AD requires inspections for wire discrepancies, and corrective actions if necessary.

AD: Airbus Defense and Space S.A. (Formerly Known as Construcciones Aeronauticas, S.A.) Airplanes

Published 02/26/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3704 Effective date 03/14/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for all Airbus Defense and Space S.A. Model CN-235, CN-235-100, CN-235-200, CN-235-300, and C-295 airplanes. This AD requires a general visual inspection of the rudder control system to confirm correct alignment and installation of the adjustment device, and repair if necessary.

AD: General Electric Company Turbofan Engines

Published 02/26/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-2984 Effective date 04/01/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for all General Electric Company (GE) GENx-1B54, -1B58, -1B64, -1B67, and -1B70 turbofan engine models. This AD requires inspection and conditional removal of affected HPT rotor stage 1 blades.

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/26/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3146 Effective date 04/01/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for certain The Boeing Company Model 777-200 series airplanes. This AD requires inspections to detect cracking of fuselage skin lap splices in certain fuselage sections, and corrective actions if necessary; modification of left-side and right-side lap splices; and post-modification repetitive inspections for cracks in the modified lap splices, and corrective actions if necessary.

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/26/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-0681 Effective date 04/01/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for all The Boeing Company Model 737-600, -700, -700C, -800, -900, and -900ER series airplanes. This AD requires doing repetitive testing for correct operation of the equipment cooling system and low pressure environmental control system, and corrective actions if necessary.

AD: Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines

Published 02/26/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-4070 Effective date 04/01/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for certain Turbomeca S.A. Arriel 1E2 turboshaft engines. This AD requires removing the tachometer box on affected engines. The FAA is issuing this AD to prevent failure of the tachometer box, which could lead to failure of the engine, IFSD, and loss of control of the helicopter.

Proposed Rule

[NPRM AD: Textron Aviation Inc. \(Type Certificate Previously Held by Cessna Aircraft Company\) Airplanes](#)

Published 02/26/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3705 Comments due 04/11/2016

The FAA proposes to adopt a new AD for certain Textron Aviation Inc. Model 680 airplanes. This proposed AD was prompted by Cessna's report of a manufacturing defect which affects the durability of the aft canted bulkhead metallic structure. This proposed AD would require repetitive inspections of the aft canted bulkhead, and repair if necessary. This proposed AD would also require a modification, which would terminate the repetitive inspections.

Orders

[Order: Flight Inspection Services Continuity of Operations Plan \(COOP\)](#)

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Notices

[Notice: Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Disposal of Airport Property at Berlin Regional Airport in Milan, NH](#)

Published 02/26/2016 Document #: 2016-04218 Comments due 03/28/2016

Under the provisions of Title 49, U.S.C. Section 47153(d), notice is being given that the FAA is considering a request from Berlin Regional Airport in Milan, NH to dispose of a parcel of land approximately 7.0 acres at Berlin Regional Airport on Milan, NH.

[Notice: Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment on Surplus Property Release at Beverly Airport in Beverly, MA](#)

Published 02/26/2016 Document #: 2016-04225 Comments due 03/28/2016

Under the provisions of Title 49, U.S.C. Section 47153(d), notice is being given that the FAA is considering a request from Beverly Airport in Beverly, MA to change the use of a certain parcel of land and associated building from Aeronautical to Non-Aeronautical Land for future non-aeronautical revenue generation at Beverly Airport in Beverly, MA.

[Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; General Electric Company](#)

Published 02/26/2016 Document #: 2016-03982 Comments due 03/17/2016

The General Electric Company (GE) seeks relief from the requirements of §§ 21.6(a) and 21.9(c)(1) to permit relief from the requirement to require the manufacturer to hold a type certificate or licensing agreement from the holder to manufacturer the product, and meet the requirements of 21.6, subpart F or G of this part, as well as relief from the requirement that a person may not sell or represent an article as suitable for installation on an aircraft type-certificated under part 21 unless that article was declared surplus by the U.S. Armed Forces and was intended for use on that aircraft model by the U.S. Armed Forces.

Meeting: [RTCA Program Management Committee \(PMC\)](#)

Meeting date 03/17/2016 Meeting time 8:30am – 4:30pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the RTCA Program Management Committee meeting.

Meeting: [Ninety-Fifth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee \(159\) Global Positioning System \(GPS\)](#)

Meeting date 03/7-11/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 5:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Ninety-Fifth RTCA Special Committee 159 meeting.

Meeting: [Seventeenth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee \(227\) Standards of Navigation Performance](#)

Meeting date 03/15-17/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 4:30pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Seventeenth RTCA Special Committee 227 meeting.

Meeting: [Sixty-Fifth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee \(186\) Global Positioning System \(GPS\)](#)

Meeting date 03/8-11/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 1:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Sixty-Fifth RTCA Special Committee 186 meeting.

Meeting: [Thirty-Ninth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee \(224\) Airport Security Access Control Systems](#)

Meeting date 03/10/2016 Meeting time 10:00am – 3:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Thirty-Ninth RTCA Special Committee 224 meeting.

Meeting: [Eighty-Fourth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee \(147\) Minimum Operational Performance Standards for Traffic Alert and Collision Avoidance Systems Airborne Equipment](#)

Meeting date 03/15-17/2016 Meeting time 9:00am – 5:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Eighty-Fourth RTCA Special Committee 147 meeting.

Meeting: [Forty-Third Meeting: RTCA Special Committee \(206\) Aeronautical Information and Meteorological Data Link Services](#)

Meeting date 03/7-11/2016 Meeting time 8:30am – 5:00pm Time zone (EST/etc.)

The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of the Forty-Third RTCA Special Committee 206 meeting.

February 29, 2016

Rules

AD: Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes

Published 02/29/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-3633 Effective date 04/04/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for all Fokker Services B.V. Model F.27 Mark 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, and 700 airplanes. This AD requires installing the additional bonding provisions, and revising the maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, by incorporating fuel airworthiness limitation items and critical design configuration control limitations.

AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 02/29/2016 Docket #: FAA-2016-3981 Effective date 03/15/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for certain The Boeing Company Model 787-8 airplanes. This AD requires an inspection of the station 337 (door number 1) outboard partitions for a tie rod and quick release pins, and to ensure that both partition supports are engaged in the structural bracket at each outboard partition, and corrective actions if necessary.

AD: The Boeing Company Model 757-200 Series Airplanes Modified by Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) ST01529SE or STC ST02278SE

Published 02/29/2016 Docket #: FAA-2015-1423 Effective date 04/04/2016

The FAA is adopting a new AD for certain The Boeing Company Model 757-200 series airplanes modified by particular STCs. This AD requires installing a new placard and bracket, replacing an existing placard, and replacing the main cargo door control panel.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

Published 02/29/2016 Docket #: 31063 Effective date 02/29/2016

This rule amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Final Rule: Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments

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This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures (ODPs) for operations at certain airports. These regulatory actions are needed because of the adoption of new or revised criteria, or because of changes occurring in the National Airspace System, such as the commissioning of new navigational facilities, adding new obstacles, or changing air traffic requirements. These changes are designed to provide safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace and to promote safe flight operations under instrument flight rules at the affected airports.

Orders

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