

# **FEDERAL AVIATION REGULATION**

## **PART 65 OVERVIEW**

### **CERTIFICATION: AIRMEN OTHER THAN FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS**

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- **65.15 - Duration of certificates.**
- (a) Except for repairman certificates, a certificate or rating issued under this part is effective until it is surrendered, suspended, or revoked.
- (b) Unless it is sooner surrendered, suspended, or revoked, a repairman certificate is effective until the holder is relieved from the duties for which the holder was employed and certificated.
- (c) The holder of a certificate issued under this part that is suspended, revoked, or no longer effective shall return it to the Administrator.

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- **65.16 - Change of name: Replacement of lost or destroyed certificate.**
- (a) An application for a change of name on a certificate issued under this part must be accompanied by the applicant's current certificate and the marriage license, court order, or other document verifying the change. The documents are returned to the applicant after inspection.
- (b) An application for a replacement of a lost or destroyed certificate is made by letter to the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Airman Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125. The letter must—

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- **65.16 - Change of name: Replacement of lost or destroyed certificate. (cont.)**
- (b) Contain the name in which the certificate was issued, the permanent mailing address (including zip code), social security number (if any), and date and place of birth of the certificate holder, and any available information regarding the grade, number, and date of issue of the certificate, and the ratings on it; and
- (2) Be accompanied by a check or money order for \$2, payable to the Federal Aviation Administration.

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- 65.21 - Change of address.
- Within 30 days after any change in his permanent mailing address, the holder of a certificate issued under this part shall notify the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Airman Certification Branch, Post Office Box 25082, Oklahoma City, OK 73125, in writing, of his new address.

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- 65.23 - Refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol test.
- (a) *General.* This section applies to an employee who performs a function listed in appendix I or appendix J to part 121 of this chapter directly or by contract for a part 121 certificate holder, a part 135 certificate holder, an operator as defined in 135.1(c) of this chapter, or an air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or the U.S. military.
- (b) Refusal by the holder of a certificate issued under this part to take a drug test required under the provisions of appendix I to part 121 or an alcohol test required under the provisions of appendix J to part 121 is grounds for—
  - (1) Denial of an application for any certificate or rating issued under this part for a period of up to 1 year after the date of such refusal; and
  - (2) Suspension or revocation of any certificate or rating issued under this part.

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- **65.81 - General privileges and limitations.**

- (a) A certificated mechanic may perform or supervise the maintenance, preventive maintenance or alteration of an aircraft or appliance, or a part thereof, for which he is rated (but excluding major repairs to, and major alterations of, propellers, and any repair to, or alteration of, instruments), and may perform additional duties in accordance with 65.85, 65.87, and 65.95. However, he may not supervise the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alteration of, or approve and return to service, any aircraft or appliance, or part thereof, for which he is rated unless he has satisfactorily performed the work concerned at an earlier date. If he has not so performed that work at an earlier date, he may show his ability to do it by performing it to the satisfaction of the Administrator or under the direct supervision of a certificated and appropriately rated mechanic, or a certificated repairman, who has had previous experience in the specific operation concerned.

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- **65.81 - General privileges and limitations. (cont.)**

- (b) A certificated mechanic may not exercise the privileges of his certificate and rating unless he understands the current instructions of the manufacturer, and the maintenance manuals, for the specific operation concerned.

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- **65.83 - Recent experience requirements.**
- A certificated mechanic may not exercise the privileges of his certificate and rating unless, within the preceding 24 months—
- (a) The Administrator has found that he is able to do that work; or
- (b) He has, for at least 6 months—
- (1) Served as a mechanic under his certificate and rating;
- (2) Technically supervised other mechanics;
- (3) Supervised, in an executive capacity, the maintenance or alteration of aircraft; or
- (4) Been engaged in any combination of paragraph (b) (1), (2), or (3) of this section.

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- **65.85 - Airframe rating; additional privileges.**
- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a certificated mechanic with an airframe rating may approve and return to service an airframe, or any related part or appliance, after he has performed, supervised, or inspected its maintenance or alteration (excluding major repairs and major alterations). In addition, he may perform the 100-hour inspection required by part 91 of this chapter on an airframe, or any related part or appliance, and approve and return it to service.
- (b) A certificated mechanic with an airframe rating can approve and return to service an airframe, or any related part or appliance, of an aircraft with a special airworthiness certificate in the light-sport category after performing and inspecting a major repair or major alteration for products that are not produced under an FAA approval provided the work was performed in accordance with instructions developed by the manufacturer or a person acceptable to the FAA.

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- **65.87 - Powerplant rating; additional privileges.**
- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, a certificated mechanic with a powerplant rating may approve and return to service a powerplant or propeller or any related part or appliance, after he has performed, supervised, or inspected its maintenance or alteration (excluding major repairs and major alterations). In addition, he may perform the 100-hour inspection required by part 91 of this chapter on a powerplant or propeller, or any part thereof, and approve and return it to service.
- (b) A certificated mechanic with a powerplant rating can approve and return to service a powerplant or propeller, or any related part or appliance, of an aircraft with a special airworthiness certificate in the light-sport category after performing and inspecting a major repair or major alteration for products that are not produced under an FAA approval, provided the work was performed in accordance with instructions developed by the manufacturer or a person acceptable to the FAA.

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- **65.89 - Display of certificate.**
- Each person who holds a mechanic certificate shall keep it within the immediate area where he normally exercises the privileges of the certificate and shall present it for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.

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### Subpart E—Repairmen

- 65.101 - Eligibility requirements: General.
- (a) To be eligible for a repairman certificate a person must—
  - (1) Be at least 18 years of age;
  - (2) Be specially qualified to perform maintenance on aircraft or components thereof, appropriate to the job for which he is employed;
  - (3) Be employed for a specific job requiring those special qualifications by a certificated repair station, or by a certificated commercial operator or certificated air carrier, that is required by its operating certificate or approved operations specifications to provide a continuous airworthiness maintenance program according to its maintenance manuals;

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- 65.101 - Eligibility requirements: General. (cont.)
- (4) Be recommended for certification by his employer, to the satisfaction of the Administrator, as able to satisfactorily maintain aircraft or components, appropriate to the job for which he is employed;
- (5) Have either—
  - (i) At least 18 months of practical experience in the procedures, practices, inspection methods, materials, tools, machine tools, and equipment generally used in the maintenance duties of the specific job for which the person is to be employed and certificated; or



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- **65.101 - Eligibility requirements: General. (cont.)**
- (ii) Completed formal training that is acceptable to the Administrator and is specifically designed to qualify the applicant for the job on which the applicant is to be employed; and
- (6) Be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language, or, in the case of an applicant who does not meet this requirement and who is employed outside the United States by a certificated repair station, a certificated U.S. commercial operator, or a certificated U.S. air carrier, described in paragraph (c) of this section, have his certificate endorsed "Valid only outside the United States."
- (b) This section does not apply to the issuance of a repairman certificate (experimental aircraft builder) under 65.104 or to a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) under 65.107.

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- **65.103 - Repairman certificate: Privileges and limitations.**
- (a) A certificated repairman may perform or supervise the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alteration of aircraft or aircraft components appropriate to the job for which the repairman was employed and certificated, but only in connection with duties for the certificate holder by whom the repairman was employed and recommended.
- (b) A certificated repairman may not perform or supervise duties under the repairman certificate unless the repairman understands the current instructions of the certificate holder by whom the repairman is employed and the manufacturer's instructions for continued airworthiness relating to the specific operations concerned.
- (c) This section does not apply to the holder of a repairman certificate (light-sport aircraft) while that repairman is performing work under that certificate

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- 65.105 - Display of certificate.
- Each person who holds a repairman certificate shall keep it within the immediate area where he normally exercises the privileges of the certificate and shall present it for inspection upon the request of the Administrator or an authorized representative of the National Transportation Safety Board, or of any Federal, State, or local law enforcement officer.