UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Civil Air Regulations Amendment 21-15
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CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF AIRLINE TRANSPORT PILOT RATINGS

Currently effective section 21.12 of Part 21 provides that an applicant for a pilot certificate with an airline transport pilot rating shall be a citizen of the United States or of a foreign government which grants or has undertaken to grant reciprocal airline transport pilot privileges to citizens of the United States on equal terms and conditions with citizens of such foreign government.

Recent studies by the Board with respect to the necessity for reciprocity provisions in connection with the issuance of airman certificates indicate that aliens who have immigrated to the United States on a permanent residence visa should, as prospective citizens, be included in the classification of United States citizens for the purpose of obtaining airman certificates. In addition it is considered desirable that the present reciprocity provisions with respect to the issuance of pilot certificates with an airline transport pilot rating be clarified to indicate that reciprocity consists of not only the privileges of the airman certificate but also the right to engage in gainful employment as an airline transport pilot.

This amendment permits the issuance of a pilot certificate with an airline transport pilot rating to a citizen of the United States or an individual who has been admitted to the United States on a permanent residence visa or to a citizen of any other country whose government grants or has undertaken to grant to citizens of the United States airline transport pilot privileges and employment rights equivalent to those which such government grants to its own citizens.

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment, and due consideration has been given to all relevant matter presented. Since this amendment imposes no additional burden on any person, it may be made effective without prior notice.

In consideration of the foregoing the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby amends Part 21 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR, Part 21, as amended) effective immediately:

By amending § 21.12 to read as follows:

21.12 Citizenship. An applicant for a pilot certificate with an airline transport pilot rating shall be:

(a) A citizen of the United States or an individual who has been admitted to the United States for permanent residence, or

(b) A citizen of any other country whose government grants or has undertaken to grant to citizens of the United States airline transport pilot privileges and employment rights equivalent to those which such government grants to its own citizens.

(Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984; 49 U.S.C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply secs. 601, 602, 52 Stat. 1007, 1008; 49 U.S.C. 551, 552)

By the Civil Aeronautics Board:

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