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Civil Air Regulations Amendment 24-4
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PART 24—MECHANIC AND REPAIRMAN CERTIFICATES

Time Limit for Completion of Mechanic Examinations

The Federal Aviation Agency published as a notice of proposed rule making (26 F.R. 10571) and circulated as Civil Air Regulations Draft Release No. 61-24 dated November 1, 1961, a proposal to amend Part 24 of the Civil Air Regulations to require an applicant for a mechanic certificate and rating to complete successfully all parts of the prescribed written, oral, and practical examinations within a period of 24 consecutive calendar months before he could obtain the certificate and rating.

As stated in Draft Release 61-24, the current provisions of Part 24 do not provide a specific period of time in which an applicant for a mechanic certificate and rating must complete successfully all parts of the prescribed examinations. In this respect, the Agency, in considering and justifying the proposed amendments, took into account the many occasions where applicants have taken a portion of the prescribed examinations, then either delayed completing the remaining parts for several years or, on many occasions, never completed the remaining parts.

Accordingly, to assure that the knowledge and skill of an applicant is current, § 24.18 is amended to require that all parts of the prescribed examinations must be completed successfully by the applicant within a period of 24 consecutive calendar months before he can obtain a mechanic certificate and rating, or an additional rating. Moreover, provision is made to credit an applicant with any part of the prescribed examinations passed by him before the effective date of this amendment. That credit will be good for 24 consecutive calendar months after the effective date of this amendment.

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. The majority of comments received in response to Draft Release 61-24 concurred in the adoption of the rule as it was proposed. However, in response to certain comments received, the proposed amendment has been revised to make it clear that the amendment applies to both an applicant for a mechanic certificate and rating, and to the holder of a mechanic certificate who applies for an additional rating. There were several comments which expressed the view that the 24-month period was too long and suggested a shorter period such as 12 months. On the other hand, a few comments suggested that the time limit was too short and, further, that some provision should be made to recognize those instances where an applicant would be unable to complete all parts of the prescribed mechanic examinations because of illness or military service.

The Agency has carefully evaluated all of the comments received, and believes that the time limit of 24 months to be the most reasonable period of time within which an applicant should be able to complete successfully all parts of the prescribed examinations. In addition, the 24-month period parallels the current provisions of Part 24 with respect to recent experience requirements which must be met by a certificated mechanic before he may exercise the privileges of his certificate. Furthermore, any increase in the proposed time limitation would be inconsistent with the Agency's stated objective of imposing a time limitation to require that the knowledge and skill of an applicant is current at the time he obtains a mechanic certificate and appropriate rating.

In consideration of the foregoing, Part 24 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR Part 24, as amended) is hereby amended as follows, effective May 29, 1962:

1. By amending § 24.1 by adding in proper alphabetical order a new definition to read as follows:

§ 24.1 Definitions.

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Calendar month. Calendar month means that period of time extending from the first day of any month delineated by the calendar through the last day thereof.

NOTE: For example, a period of 24 consecutive calendar months beginning in July would end on July 31 two years later.

2. By amending § 24.18 to read as follows:

§ 24.18 Examinations.

(a) Examinations are conducted by an authorized representative of the Administrator at such times and places as the Administrator may designate.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, no applicant may obtain a mechanic certificate and rating, or an additional rating, unless all prescribed examinations have been completed successfully within a period of 24 consecutive calendar months.

(c) An applicant who, prior to May 29, 1962, has completed successfully any part of the prescribed examinations for a mechanic certificate and rating, or for an additional rating, may receive credit for such part for 24 consecutive calendar months after that date.

(Secs. 313(a), 601, 602; 72 Stat. 752, 775, 776; 49 U.S.C. 1354, 1421, 1422)

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N. E. HALABY,
Administrator.

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY
WASHINGTON, D. C.

At a session of the Civil Aeronautics Authority
held at its office in Washington, D. C.,
on the 10th day of May, 1940.

Acting pursuant to the authority vested in it by the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, particularly sections 205(a), 601(a) and 602 of said Act, and finding that its action is desirable in the public interest and is necessary to carry out the provisions of and to exercise and perform its powers and duties under said Act, the Civil Aeronautics Authority hereby amends the Civil Air Regulations as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 44
OF THE CIVIL AIR
REGULATIONS

MECHANIC CERTIFICATE OR
RATING REEXAMINATION

Effective May 10, 1940, section 24.36 of the Civil Air Regulations is amended to read as follows:

"24.36 Reexamination. An applicant for a mechanic certificate or rating who has failed to accomplish successfully any prescribed theoretical or practical examination or test may apply for reexamination at any time after the expiration of 90 days from the date of such failure."

By the Authority:

/s/ Paul J. Frizzell

Paul J. Frizzell
Secretary

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

Civil Air Regulations Amendment 24-1
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Adopted: August 1, 1950

PARACHUTE PACKING AND REPAIRS

Part 24 currently makes provision for packing and repair of parachutes. Such provision is now made in Part 25 which has been adopted concurrently with this amendment, after compliance with the usual notice and rule-making procedures.

For the reason stated above, further notice and public procedure hereon is unnecessary.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby amends Part 24 (14 CFR, Part 24, as amended) effective September 5, 1950:

1. By amending Section 24.40 to read as follows:

> § 24.40 *Airman Rating Record requirement.* A certificated mechanic who is directly in charge of the inspection, maintenance, or repair of certificated aircraft, aircraft engines, or their appliances, shall not engage in such service unless there is attached to his certificate the appropriate Airman Rating Record, prescribed and issued by the Administrator. Every holder of a valid mechanic certificate in effect on May 1, 1940, may perform service pursuant to such authority without an Airman Rating Record until the expiration, suspension, or revocation of such license or certificate.

2. By deleting Sections 24.41 and 24.42.

[Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984, 49 U.S.C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply Secs. 601, 607, 52 Stat. 1007, 1011, 49 U.S.C. 551, 557.]

By the Civil Aeronautics Board:

/s/ Fred A. Toombs

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Acting Secretary

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Civil Air Regulations Amendment 24-2
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DURATION OF MECHANIC CERTIFICATES

Currently effective Part 24 provides that a mechanic certificate may be issued to a citizen of a foreign government which grants or has undertaken to grant reciprocal mechanic privileges to citizens of the United States on equal terms and conditions with citizens of such foreign government. However, we consider it advisable with respect to such individuals to provide a means of determining whether such certificates should continue in force in the event that the reciprocal agreements should be modified or terminated.

Accordingly, this amendment requires that all mechanic certificates issued to foreign nationals pursuant to existing reciprocal agreements have a duration of 12 months. However, it also provides that such certificates may be reissued without further demonstration of technical competence on the part of the holders thereof.

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.

In consideration of the foregoing the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby amends Part 24 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR, Part 24, as amended) effective September 27, 1950.

1. By amending § 24.22 to read as follows:

24.22 Duration.

(a) A mechanic certificate issued to a United States citizen shall remain in effect until surrendered, suspended, revoked, or otherwise terminated by order of the Board: *Provided,* That a factory mechanic rating shall terminate at any time that the holder thereof ceases to be employed by the manufacturer to whose products the rating is limited or whenever the facilities of such manufacturer are no longer available to or in use by the holder.

(b) A mechanic certificate or a factory mechanic rating issued to an applicant other than a United States citizen shall remain in effect for a period no longer than 12 months after the date of issuance, but it may be reissued without further demonstration of technical competence.

(c) After revocation, and upon request after suspension, the certificate shall be returned to the Administrator.

(d) Nothing in this section shall be construed to deny or defeat the jurisdiction of the Federal courts, the Administrator, or the Board to impose any authorized sanction, including revocation of the certificate, for a violation of the Act or of the Civil Air Regulations occurring during the effective period of the certificate.

2. By rescinding § 24.25.

3. By adding a new § 24.29 to read as follows:

24.29 Termination of certificates. All mechanic certificates issued to individuals other than United States citizens prior to September 27, 1950, shall expire on

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September 26, 1951, but they may be reissued with a duration of 12 months without further demonstration of technical competence.

[Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984, 49 U.S.C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply secs. 601, 602, 52 Stat. 1007, 1008, 62 Stat. 1216, 49 U.S.C. 551, 552, Act of July 1, 1948.]

By the Civil Aeronautics Board:

/s/ M. C. Mulligan

M. C. Mulligan
Secretary

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