TITLE 14 - AERONAUTICS AND SPACE

CHAPTER I - FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY

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PART 24 - MECHANIC AND REPAIRMAN CERTIFICATES

Mechanical Experience Requirements

Section 24.31 of Part 24 of the Civil Air Regulations sets forth the mechanical experience requirements which an applicant must meet in order to obtain a mechanic certificate and rating. This section states, in effect, that an applicant must have had at least 18 months of practical experience in the construction, inspection, maintenance, repair, and alteration of airframes or of powerplants including propellers, appropriate to the rating applied for. It has become evident that this requirement is unduly restrictive in that it prohibits a person from applying for a mechanic certificate and rating if he has not acquired cumulative experience in each type of work specified in this section.

In view of the fact that the experience requirement is a prerequisite for the mechanic examinations, the Agency believes, based upon its experience in the certification of mechanics, that an applicant should be permitted to take the prescribed examinations for a mechanic certificate and rating even though his experience with respect to airframes or powerplants is limited to the construction, or the alteration, or the maintenance (including inspection and repair) thereof, and his powerplant experience does not include experience on propellers.

Accordingly, § 24.31 is amended by permitting the required practical experience for a mechanic certificate and rating to be acquired in the

construction, or the alteration, or the maintenance (including inspection and repair) of airframes or powerplants and by deleting the requirement for practical experience on propellers.

Section 24.32 specifies that a graduate of a certificated mechanic school shall be deemed to have met the experience requirements if he presents an appropriate certificate of graduation within 60 days after such graduation. The 60-day limitation with respect to experience for graduates of mechanic schools is inconsistent with the indefinite time limit permitted other applicants for mechanic certificates. The Agency believes that such a limitation for graduates of mechanic schools is no longer necessary and, § 24.32 is amended to delete the 60-day limitation. In view of this amendment to § 24.32, the manual material set forth in § 24.32-1 is no longer necessary and also is deleted.

Since this amendment relieves restrictions and imposes no additional burden on any person, notice and public procedure hereon are unnecessary, and it may be made effective on less than 30 days' notice.

This amendment will be included in the recodification of the provisions of Part 24 under the Agency's Recodification Program announced in Civil Air Regulations Draft Release No. 61-25 (26 F.R. 10698).

In consideration of the foregoing, Part 24 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR Part 24) is hereby amended as follows effective May 11, 1962:

1. By amending § 24.31 to read as follows:

24.31 Mechanical experience. An applicant for a mechanic certificate

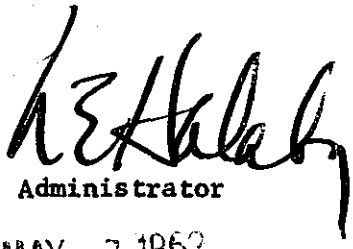
with either an airframe or powerplant rating shall have had at least 18 months of practical experience with the applicable procedures, practices, materials, tools, machine tools, and equipment generally used in the construction, alteration, or maintenance (including inspection and repair) of airframes or powerplants: Provided, That an applicant for an airframe and powerplant rating may be issued such rating, if he has performed concurrently the duties appropriate to both airframe and powerplant ratings for at least 30 months.

2. By amending § 24.32 to read as follows:

24.32 Graduates of certificated mechanic schools. A graduate of a certificated mechanic school shall be deemed to have met the experience requirements of this part for a mechanic certificate and rating upon presentation of an appropriate certificate of graduation from that school.

3. By deleting § 24.32-1.

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



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