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

Civil Air Regulations Amendment 41-7
Effective: January 17, 1956
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CERTIFICATION AND OPERATION RULES FOR SCHEDULED AIR CARRIER OPERATIONS OUTSIDE THE CONTINENTAL LIMITS OF THE UNITED STATES

EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES

In a notice of proposed rule making published in the Federal Register (20 F.R. 1016) and circulated as Civil Air Regulations Draft Release No. 55-5, dated February 10, 1955, it was proposed to amend § 41.127 of Part 41 of the Civil Air Regulations to provide for the briefing of passengers on air carrier aircraft engaged in extended overwater operations. Among other things, it was specifically proposed to require that where the airplane proceeds directly over water after take-off, the briefing on location of the life vests and emergency exits be accomplished prior to take-off. Following an analysis of comment received in response to these proposals, the Board, on November 28, 1955, adopted Amendment 41-6, which amended § 41.127 to provide for the briefing of passengers on air carrier aircraft engaged in extended overwater operations. However, that part of the briefing procedures to be accomplished prior to take-off, where the airplane proceeds directly over water after take-off, was inadvertently omitted at the time of adoption. This amendment corrects this oversight.

Since the substance of this amendment is the same as that which was published in the Federal Register (20 F.R. 1016) as a notice of proposed rule making, the Board finds that additional notice and public procedure hereon are unnecessary. Since this amendment need not be complied with for at least 6 months, it may be made effective immediately.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby amends Part 41 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR Part 41, as amended) effective January 17, 1956:

By amending § 41.127 to read as follows:

41.127 Briefing of passengers. After May 31, 1956, each air carrier engaged in extended overwater operations shall assure that all passengers are briefed orally concerning the location and method of operation of life vests and emergency exits and the location of life rafts. The procedure to be followed in presenting this briefing shall be described in the air carrier manual. Such a briefing shall include a demonstration of the method of donning and inflating a life vest. Where the airplane proceeds directly over water after take-off, the briefing on location of the life vests and emergency exits shall be accomplished prior to take-off, and the remainder of the briefing shall be accomplished as soon thereafter as practicable. Where the airplane does not proceed directly over water after take-off, no part of the briefing need be accomplished prior to take-off but the entire briefing shall be accomplished prior to reaching the overwater portion of the flight.

(Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984, 49 U.S.C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply sec. 601, 52 Stat. 1007, as amended, 49 U.S.C. 551)

By the Civil Aeronautics Board:

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