UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD
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Civil Air Regulations Amendment 42-7
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IRREGULAR AIR CARRIER AND OFF-ROUTE RULES

ELIMINATION OF THE ANNUAL INSPECTION
OF GENERAL AIRCRAFT

Currently effective § 42.31 (a) (2) of Part 42 of the Civil Air Regulations requires small aircraft to be maintained and inspected in accordance with a continuous maintenance and inspection system as provided for in the air carrier maintenance manual or to be given a periodic inspection each 100 hours of flight time and an annual inspection every 12 months.

Amendments are being made to Part 43 and other parts of the Civil Air Regulations concurrently with this amendment of Part 42 in order to simplify the procedures for the inspection and return to service of general aircraft, which includes small aircraft operated under Part 42. In order to bring § 42.31 (a) (2) into agreement with the inspection provisions of § 43.22 of Part 43 of the Civil Air Regulations, Part 42 is being amended to provide the owner or operator with a choice of two methods of inspection. The first requires a periodic inspection once each year by an authorized mechanic; and, in addition, requires an inspection each 100 hours of time in service. The second, or alternate method, requires the use of a system whereby the inspection may be conducted on a progressive or continuous basis.

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of these amendments (20 F.R. 7380), and due consideration has been given to all relevant matter presented.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby amends Part 42 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR Part 42, as amended) effective July 17, 1956:

By amending § 42.31 (a) (2) to read as follows:

42.31 Inspections and maintenance.

(a) * * *

(2) Small aircraft shall be inspected in accordance with the inspection provisions of Part 43 of this subchapter.

(Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984; 49 U.S.C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply secs. 601, 603, 52 Stat. 1007, 1009; 49 U.S.C. 551, 553)

By the Civil Aeronautics Board:

/s/ M. C. Mulligan

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Adams, Vice Chairman, dissenting.

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