FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
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Part 43 - Air-Share GRASS ROOTS Meetings
October 21, 1961

FACT SHEET

1. The Agency has a program for general review and revision to Part 43 of the Civil Air Regulations, and related portions of other parts.

2. The first part of the program consists of simultaneous meetings at each General Safety District Office location, starting at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, October 21, 1961.

3. The purpose of the meetings is to provide a favorable atmosphere for discussion of the regulations, and to bring out individual problems brought about by specific rules. The meeting is a place to exchange ideas, tear them apart and build them up again.

4. The Agency believes that an airing of problems at these meetings by the general aviation community will enable individuals to state their own problems in writing more clearly, and with better objectivity. If this is done, the Agency will better understand their problems; which is its objective.

5. The chairman will make no effort to record floor comments or to summarize "group feeling". To be heard by the Agency, each individual must submit written comment to the District Office, about those items of direct interest to him. Deadline for written comment is October 31, 1961.

6. Emphasis is placed on expression of the individual's problems and ideas about the various sections of Part 43, rather than expression of his opinion of other people's ideas. Time limits required to complete the order of business will require the chairman to apply this emphasis.

7. Emphasis at the meetings will be on the individual. We want each person present to feel that his ideas warrant consideration on their own merits rather than on his status in aviation. There will therefore be no introductions of "prominent" persons in aviation business or industry, or in government.

8. Regional and Washington office personnel will attend some of the meetings, but they will be there to listen and learn, not to participate as speakers or commentators, nor will they be formally introduced.

9. The District Office Supervising Inspector, or a person designated by him, will chair the meeting.

10. The Agency has no agenda for the meetings. The subject is Part 43. The order of business will be section by section of Part 43.

11. Each General Safety District Office will receive a quantity of two different booklets; (1) a "Part 43 Air-Share Notebook," and (2) a "Plain Language Summary of the Civil Air Regulations." These are scheduled for shipment on September 22, 1961.

12. Advance shipment is made to permit and encourage study before the meeting. Copies may be obtained from the District Office shortly after September 22.

13. The Air-Share Notebook also contains all comments the Agency has received in the past about individual sections of Part 43.

14. Each person who turns in his name and mailing address at the meeting will be placed on a mailing list to receive future notices of proposed rule making which may affect his interests.

15. The GRASS ROOTS meetings will be followed by Regional General Aviation Conferences in March and April of 1962. The specific dates and locations will be announced in November, 1961. A Notice of Conference will be published that will state the position of the Agency in revised portions of Part 43 and related portions of other parts, and will ask the general aviation community to give the matters further study and consideration before going to formal Notice of Proposed Rule Making procedures.

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SAFETY REGULATIONS DIVISION MEMORANDUM NO. 61-2

TO: Assistant Administrators, EA-1, SO-1
Regional Managers, CE-1, SW-1, WE-1, AL-1, HA-1.
ATTN: Chief, Flight Standards Division

FROM: Acting Chief, Safety Regulations Division

SUBJECT: FACT SHEET for GRASS ROOTS MEETINGS; Part 43 Air-Share
October 21, 1961; Flight Standards Service Memorandum No. 104

The purpose of this memorandum is to make a "Fact Sheet" available for all Flight Standards Service supervisory personnel concerned with the "Grass Roots" meetings of the Part 43 Air-Share program, scheduled for October 21, 1961.

The "Fact Sheet" is attached and may be reproduced and distributed to interested persons and news media. It may also help as background material for any discussions you may have with the general aviation public, particularly in answering their questions about the purpose of the meetings.

for Edward C. Hodson, FS-40

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