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Radio Ground Check

The Office of Aviation Safety announces the attached interpretation concerning radio ground check.

61.231-1 RADIO GROUND CHECK

The attached page setting forth the Civil Aeronautics Administration's interpretation of section 61.231 of the Civil Air Regulations should be retained as a page in a series of statements that will be issued explaining or implementing Civil Air Regulation Part 61.

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Attachment

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§ 61.231 *Radio ground check.* Before departure from the originating terminal on any scheduled air carrier operation, at least one check shall be made by the pilot of the radio system to be used in flight.

§ 61.231–1 *Radio ground check (CAA interpretation which applies to § 61.231).* The radio system is interpreted to include all radio devices, the use of which is contemplated in flight. The predeparture check should consist of an operational test and an inspection of the aircraft logbook. The operational test should be made by the pilot of all radio devices which can be tested satisfactorily without recourse to ground test apparatus or to the services of a ground technician. Radio equipment contemplated for use in flight which cannot be adequately checked by pilot conducted operational tests should have been tested for operational adequacy within the twenty-four hours immediately preceding the departure of an originating flight. Information concerning such tests should have been entered previously in the aircraft logbook by the technician conducting the tests. The pilot should inspect the logbook to verify that such tests have been conducted within the specified time and that subsequent entries do not indicate any increased malfunctioning of such equipment. Radio devices which fall within the category which cannot be given a satisfactory operational predeparture check by the pilot are considered to be marker beacon receivers, instrument landing system receiving equipment, and related devices.