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§ 120.225 How to implement an alcohol testing program.

(a) Each company must meet the requirements of this subpart. Use the following chart to determine whether your company must obtain an Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification or whether you must register with the FAA:

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<th>If you are . . .</th>
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<td>(1) A part 119 certificate holder with authority to operate under parts 121 and/or 135.</td>
<td>Obtain an Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification by contacting your FAA Principal Operations Inspector.</td>
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<td>(2) An operator as defined in § 91.147 of this chapter.</td>
<td>Register with the FAA, by contacting the Flight Standards District Office nearest to your principal place of business.</td>
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<td>(3) An air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or by or under contract to the U.S. Military.</td>
<td>Register with the FAA, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division (AAM–850), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.</td>
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<td>(4) A part 145 certificate holder who has your own alcohol testing program.</td>
<td>Obtain an Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification by contacting your Principal Maintenance Inspector or register with the FAA Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division (AAM–850), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591 if you opt to conduct your own alcohol testing program.</td>
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<td>(5) A contractor who has your own alcohol testing program.</td>
<td>Register with the FAA, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division (AAM–850), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591 if you opt to conduct your own alcohol testing program.</td>
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(b) Use the following chart for implementing an alcohol testing program if you are applying for a part 119 certificate with authority to operate under parts 121 and/or 135 of this chapter, if you intend to begin operations as defined in § 91.147 of this chapter, or if you intend to begin operations as defined air traffic control operations (not operated by the FAA or by or under contract to the U.S. Military). Use it to determine whether you need to have an Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification, or whether you need to register with the FAA. Your employees who perform safety-sensitive duties must be tested in accordance with this subpart. The chart follows:

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<td>(i) Have an Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification.</td>
<td>(i) Implement an FAA alcohol testing program no later than the date you start operations, and</td>
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<td>(ii) Implement an FAA alcohol testing program.</td>
<td>(ii) Train employees who are performing safety-sensitive duties on the elements described in paragraphs (c), (d), and (e) of this section. The training must be approved by the FAA. The training program must be updated and enhanced as needed.</td>
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(c) Substance abuse professional (SAP) duties. The SAP must perform the functions set forth in 49 CFR part 40, subpart O, and this subpart.

(d) The physical, behavioral, speech, and performance indicators of probable alcohol misuse.

(e) The consequences for covered employees found to have an alcohol concentration of 0.02 or greater but less than 0.04.

(f) Information concerning the effects of alcohol misuse on an individual’s health, work, and personal life; signs and symptoms of an alcohol problem; available methods of evaluating and resolving problems associated with the misuse of alcohol; and intervening when an alcohol problem is suspected, including confrontation, referral to any available employee assistance program, and/or referral to management.

(g) Optional provisions. The materials supplied to covered employees may also include information on additional employer policies with respect to the use or possession of alcohol, including any consequences for an employee found to have a specified alcohol level, that are based on the employer’s authority independent of this subpart. Any such additional policies or consequences must be clearly and obviously described as being based on independent authority.

(h) Training for supervisors. Each employer shall ensure that persons designated to determine whether reasonable suspicion exists to require a covered employee to undergo alcohol testing receive at least 60 minutes of training on the physical, behavioral, speech, and performance indicators of probable alcohol misuse.

(i) The requirement that the employee be removed immediately from performing safety-sensitive functions, and the process in 49 CFR part 40, subpart O, and this subpart.
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If you . . . You must . . .

(2) Intend to begin operations as defined in §91.147 of this chapter.

(i) Meet the requirements of this subpart.

(ii) Register with the FAA by contacting the Flight Standards District Office nearest your principal place of business prior to starting operations, and

(iii) Implement an FAA alcohol testing program no later than the date you start operations, and

(iv) Meet the requirements of this subpart.

(3) Intend to begin air traffic control operations (at an air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or by or under contract to the U.S. military).

(i) Register with the FAA, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division (AAM–800), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591 prior to starting operations,

(ii) Implement an FAA alcohol testing program no later than the date you start operations, and

(iii) Meet the requirements of this subpart.

(c) If you are an individual or a company that intends to provide safety-sensitive services by contract to a part 119 certificate holder with authority to operate under parts 121 and/or 135 of this chapter or an operator as defined in §91.147 of this chapter, use the following chart to determine what you must do if you opt to have your own alcohol testing program.

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| (1) Are a part 145 certificate holder. | (i) Have an Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specifications or register with the FAA, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division (AAM–800), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591,

(ii) Implement an FAA alcohol testing program no later than the date you start performing safety-sensitive functions for a part 119 certificate holder with authority to operate under parts 121 and/or 135, or operator as defined in §91.147 of this chapter, and

(iii) Meet the requirements of this subpart as if you were an employer. |

(2) Are a contractor | (i) Register with the FAA, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division (AAM–800), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591,

(ii) Implement an FAA alcohol testing program no later than the date you start performing safety-sensitive functions for a part 119 certificate holder with authority to operate under parts 121 and/or 135, or operator as defined in §91.147 of this chapter, and

(iii) Meet the requirements of this subpart as if you were an employer. |

(d)(1) To obtain an Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification, you must contact your FAA Principal Operations Inspector or Principal Maintenance Inspector. Provide him/her with the following information:

(i) Company name.

(ii) Certificate number.

(iii) Telephone number.

(iv) Address where your drug and alcohol testing program records are kept.

(v) Whether you have 50 or more covered employees, or 49 or fewer covered employees. (Part 119 certificate holders with authority to operate only under part 121 of this chapter are not required to provide this information.)

(2) You must certify on your Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification, issued by your FAA Principal Operations Inspector or Principal Maintenance Inspector, that you will comply with this part and 49 CFR part 40.

(3) You are required to obtain only one Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification to satisfy this requirement under this part.

(4) You must update the Antidrug and Alcohol Misuse Prevention Program Operations Specification when any changes to the information contained in the Operation Specification occur.

(e)(1) To register with the FAA, submit the following information:

(i) Company name.

(ii) Telephone number.

(iii) Address where your drug and alcohol testing program records are kept.

(iv) Type of safety-sensitive functions you perform for an employer (such as flight instruction duties, aircraft dispatcher duties, maintenance or preventive maintenance duties, ground security coordinator duties, aviation screening duties, air traffic control duties).

(v) Whether you have 50 or more covered employees, or 49 or fewer covered employees.
(vi) A signed statement indicating that: Your company will comply with this part and 49 CFR part 40; and, if you are a contractor, you intend to provide safety-sensitive functions by contract to a part 119 certificate holder with authority to operate under part 121 and/or 135 of this chapter, an operator as defined by §91.147 of this chapter, or an air traffic control facility not operated by the FAA or by or under contract to the U.S. Military.

(2) Send this information in the form and manner prescribed by the Administrator, in duplicate to: The Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Aerospace Medicine, Drug Abatement Division (AAM–800), 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

(3) Update the registration information as changes occur. Send the updates in duplicate to the address specified in paragraph (e)(2) of this section.

(4) This registration will satisfy the registration requirements for both your drug testing program under subpart E of this part and your alcohol testing program under this subpart.

§ 120.227 Employees located outside the U.S.

(a) No covered employee shall be tested for alcohol misuse while located outside the territory of the United States.

(1) Each covered employee who is assigned to perform safety-sensitive functions solely outside the territory of the United States shall be removed from the random testing pool upon the inception of such assignment.

(2) Each covered employee who is removed from the random testing pool under this paragraph shall be returned to the random testing pool when the employee resumes the performance of safety-sensitive functions wholly or partially within the territory of the United States.

(b) The provisions of this subpart shall not apply to any person who performs a safety-sensitive function by contract for an employer outside the territory of the United States.