

§ 121.407 Training program: Approval of airplane simulators and other training devices.

(a) Each airplane simulator and other training device that is used in a training course permitted under §121.409, in checks required under subpart O of this part or as permitted in appendices E and F to this part must:

- (1) Be specifically approved for—
 - (i) The certificate holder;
 - (ii) The type airplane and, if applicable, the particular variation within type, for which the training or check is being conducted; and
 - (iii) The particular maneuver, procedure, or crewmember function involved.
 - (2) Maintain the performance, functional, and other characteristics that are required for approval.
 - (3) Be modified to conform with any modification to the airplane being simulated that results in changes to performance, functional, or other characteristics required for approval.
 - (4) Be given a daily functional pre-flight check before being used.
 - (5) Have a daily discrepancy log kept with each discrepancy entered in that log by the appropriate instructor or check airman at the end of each training or check flight.
- (b) A particular airplane simulator or other training device may be approved for use by more than one certificate holder.

(c) An airplane simulator may be used instead of the airplane to satisfy the in-flight requirements of §§121.439 and 121.441 and appendices E and F of this part, if the simulator—

- (1) Is approved under this section and meets the appropriate simulator requirements of appendix H of this part; and
 - (2) Is used as part of an approved program that meets the training requirements of §121.424 (a) and (c) and appendix H of this part.
- (d) An airplane simulator approved under this section must be used instead of the airplane to satisfy the pilot flight training requirements prescribed in the certificate holder's approved low-altitude windshear flight training

program set forth in §121.409(d) of this part.

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§ 121.409 Training courses using airplane simulators and other training devices.

(a) Training courses utilizing airplane simulators and other training devices may be included in the certificate holder's approved training program for use as provided in this section.

(b) A course of training in an airplane simulator may be included for use as provided in §121.441 if that course—

- (1) Provides at least 4 hours of training at the pilot controls of an airplane simulator as well as a proper briefing before and after the training;
- (2) Provides training in at least the procedures and maneuvers set forth in appendix F to this part; or
- (3) Provides line-oriented training that—
 - (i) Utilizes a complete flight crew;
 - (ii) Includes at least the maneuvers and procedures (abnormal and emergency) that may be expected in line operations;
 - (iii) Is representative of the flight segment appropriate to the operations being conducted by the certificate holder; and
- (4) Is given by an instructor who meets the applicable requirements of §121.412.

The satisfactory completion of the course of training must be certified by either the Administrator or a qualified check airman.

(c) The programmed hours of flight training set forth in this subpart do not apply if the training program for the airplane type includes—

- (1) A course of pilot training in an airplane simulator as provided in §121.424(d); or
- (2) A course of flight engineer training in an airplane simulator or other training device as provided in §121.425(c).

(d) Each certificate holder required to comply with §121.358 of this part must use an approved simulator for each airplane type in each of its pilot