§ 29.1461 Equipment containing high energy rotors.

(a) Equipment containing high energy rotors must meet paragraph (b), (c), or (d) of this section.

(b) High energy rotors contained in equipment must be able to withstand damage caused by malfunctions, vibration, abnormal speeds, and abnormal temperatures. In addition—

1. Auxiliary rotor cases must be able to contain damage caused by the failure of high energy rotor blades; and

2. Equipment control devices, systems, and instrumentation must reasonably ensure that no operating limitations affecting the integrity of high energy rotors will be exceeded in service.

(c) It must be shown by test that equipment containing high energy rotors can contain any failure of a high energy rotor that occurs at the highest speed obtainable with the normal speed control devices inoperative.

(d) Equipment containing high energy rotors must be located where rotor failure will neither endanger the occupants nor adversely affect continued safe flight.

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Subpart G—Operating Limitations and Information

§ 29.1501 General.

(a) Each operating limitation specified in §§ 29.1503 through 29.1525 and other limitations and information necessary for safe operation must be established.

(b) The operating limitations and other information necessary for safe operation must be made available to the crewmembers as prescribed in §§ 29.1541 through 29.1589.

(See, Secs. 313(a), 601, 603, 604, and 605 of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1354(a), 1421, 1423, 1424, and 1425); and sec. 6(c), Dept. of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1655(c)))

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these variables) are used at one time; and

(2) The ranges of these variables (or of the indications on instruments integrating more than one of these variables) are large enough to allow an operationally practical and safe variation of $V_{NE}$.

(c) For helicopters, a stabilized power-off $V_{NE}$ denoted as $V_{NE}^{\text{(power-off)}}$ may be established at a speed less than $V_{NE}$ established pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, if the following conditions are met:

(1) $V_{NE}^{\text{(power-off)}}$ is not less than a speed midway between the power-on $V_{NE}$ and the speed used in meeting the requirements of—

(i) § 29.67(a)(3) for Category A helicopters;

(ii) § 29.65(a) for Category B helicopters, except multi-engine helicopters meeting the requirements of § 29.67(b); and

(iii) § 29.67(b) for multi-engine Category B helicopters meeting the requirements of § 29.67(b).

(2) $V_{NE}^{\text{(power-off)}}$ is—

(i) A constant airspeed;

(ii) A constant amount less than power-on $V_{NE}$;

or

(iii) A constant airspeed for a portion of the altitude range for which certification is requested, and a constant amount less than power-on $V_{NE}$ for the remainder of the altitude range.

§ 29.1517 Limiting height-speed envelope.

For Category A rotorcraft, if a range of heights exists at any speed, including zero, within which it is not possible to make a safe landing following power failure, the range of heights and its variation with forward speed must be established, together with any other pertinent information, such as the kind of landing surface.

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§ 29.1519 Weight and center of gravity.

The weight and center of gravity limitations determined under §§ 29.25 and 29.27, respectively, must be established as operating limitations.

§ 29.1521 Powerplant limitations.

(a) General. The powerplant limitations prescribed in this section must be established so that they do not exceed the corresponding limits for which the engines are type certificated.

(b) Takeoff operation. The powerplant takeoff operation must be limited by—

(1) The maximum rotational speed, which may not be greater than—

(i) The maximum value determined by the rotor design; or

(ii) The maximum value shown during the type tests;

(2) The maximum allowable manifold pressure (for reciprocating engines);

(3) The maximum allowable turbine inlet or turbine outlet gas temperature (for turbine engines);

(4) The maximum allowable power or torque for each engine, considering the power input limitations of the transmission with all engines operating;

(5) The maximum allowable power or torque for each engine considering the power input limitations of the transmission with one engine inoperative;