

Management Programs, (202) 366-054, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Title: Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

OMB Control Number: 2125-0032.

Form Number(s): FHWA-531, 532, 534, 541, 543, 551M, 556, 561, 562, 571, 536, 566, and 539.

Affected Public: The 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Marianas and the Virgin Islands.

Abstract: The authority to collect this information is contained in the Department of Transportation (DOT) Act of 1966 (Pub.L. 89-670; 49 U.S.C. 301 (4)), which charges the Secretary of Transportation to promote and undertake development, collection, and dissemination of technological, statistical, economic, and other information relevant to domestic and international transportation. Title 23, United States Code, Section 307(a) authorizes the DOT to engage in studies to collect data concerning highway development financing, modernization, safety, maintenance, and traffic conditions and to publish the results of such research. Title 23, United States Code, Section 307(e) requires the Secretary of Transportation to report biennially to Congress on the Nation's highway needs. The Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986 established a major Federal interest in the States' driver licensing programs. The driver license data collected under this Guide are critical in evaluating the effects of the regulations mandated by the Act. The Act also established a three-part grant program to aid the States in the development and implementation of licensing procedures for commercial drivers and requires that the "supplemental" grant funds be distributed among the States according to the number of commercial driver tests administered and the number of commercial licenses issued. The various forms included in the Guide are designed to provide for the reporting of statistics that show motor-fuel usage, motor-vehicle registrations and use, drivers, and the taxes and fees paid and collected from these sources and the purposes for which these funds are expended. The Guide provides for the

collection of information that describes policies and procedures for assembling statistical data from the existing files of State agencies on motor-vehicle registration and fees, motor-fuel use and taxation, driver licensing, highway taxation and finance, and other related subjects, and the reporting of these data to the Federal highway Administration.

Estimated Annual Burden: The total annual burden is 38,738 hours.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer.

Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Federal Aviation Administration

Draft Parts 27 and 29 Advisory Circular Information; Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The FAA is announcing a public meeting to discuss proposed updates of advisory circulars (ACs) 27-1, Certification of Normal Category Rotorcraft, and 29-2A, Certification of Transport Category Rotorcraft and a draft appendix to ACs 27-1 and 29-2A addressing rotorcraft emergency flotation systems.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. PST on February 5, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Anaheim Hilton and Towers, Huntington Theatre Room, 888 Convention Way, Anaheim, California 92802, telephone (714) 750-4321 (Headquarters hotel for the Helicopter

Association International (HAI) convention.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Jones, Rotorcraft Standards Staff, FAA, Rotorcraft Directorate, Fort Worth, Texas 76193-0110, telephone (817) 222-5359 or fax (817) 222-5961.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public meeting will address a draft appendix to ACs 27-1 and 29-2A pertaining to emergency flotation systems used on rotorcraft not specifically certificated for ditching but used for operations over-water. This material, when finalized, will become an appendix to ACs 27-1 and 29-2A. The public meeting will also address the recently proposed updates to ACs 27-1 and 29-2A, and the public comments received as a result of the FAA's request for comments published in the Federal Register on September 11, 1996 (61 FR 48000).

Meeting Procedures

The meeting is being chaired by the Rotorcraft Directorate. Participants will also include FAA representatives from Flight Standards and Legal Counsel; JAA representatives from engineering and operations; and industry groups from the U.S. and Europe.

The following procedures will be used to conduct the meeting:

1. Registration will be from 8-9 a.m. PST on February 5, 1997. There will be no registration fee. Preregistration is recommended and may be accomplished by contacting the person listed under the caption **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

2. The meeting will be recorded by a court reporter, and transcripts will be available for purchase directly from the court reporter.

3. Statements by the FAA will be made to facilitate discussion and should not be taken as expressing a final FAA position.

4. The FAA will consider all material presented at the meeting by participants. Handouts will be accepted at the discretion of the chairperson; however, enough copies should be provided for distribution to all participants.

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