

Alternative Methods of Compliance

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Boston Engine Certification Office (ECO). Operators must submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Boston ECO.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Boston ECO.

Special Flight Permits Prohibited

(e) Special flight permits are prohibited because fuel injector operation in excess of 1,350 hours is prohibited. However, operators can easily replace the fuel injectors at any location using standard maintenance tools.

Note 3: The subject of this AD is addressed in Direction Generale De L'Aviation Civile (DGAC) airworthiness directive AD Number 2000-532(A), dated December 27, 2000.

Effective Date

(f) This amendment becomes effective on January 22, 2002.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on December 28, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Parts 107 and 108**

[Docket No. FAA-2001-10999; Amdt. Nos. 107-14 and 108-19]

RIN 2120-AH53

Criminal History Records Checks

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule with request for comments; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On December 6, 2001, the FAA published a final rule with request for comments regarding criminal history records checks and invited comments. The comment period was originally scheduled to close on January 7, 2002; however, the FAA is extending the comment period an additional 10 days in response to a request from the Air Transport Association (ATA) and the Regional Airline Association (RAA).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 17, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Address your comments to the Docket Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. You must identify the docket number FAA-2001-10999 at the beginning of your comments, and you should submit two copies of your comments. If you wish to receive confirmation that the FAA received your comments, include a self-addressed, stamped postcard. You may also submit comments through the Internet to <http://dms.dot.gov>.

You may review the public docket containing comments to these proposed regulations in person in the Dockets Office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Dockets Office is on the plaza level of the NASSIF Building at the Department of Transportation at the above address. Also, you may review public dockets on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda Valencia, Office of Civil Aviation Security Policy and Planning, Civil Aviation Security Division (ACP-100), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone 202-267-3413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Comments Invited**

The final rule was adopted without prior notice and prior public comment. The Regulatory Policies and Procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 1134; Feb. 26, 1979), however provides that, to the maximum extent possible, operating administrations for the DOT should provide an opportunity for public comment on regulations issued without prior notice. Accordingly, interested persons were, and are, invited to participate in this rulemaking by submitting written data, views, or arguments. Comments relating to environmental, energy, federalism, or international trade impacts that might result from this amendment also are invited. Comments must include the regulatory docket or amendment number and must be submitted in duplicate to the address above. All comments received, as well as a report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel on this rulemaking, will be filed in the public docket. The docket is available for public inspection before and after the comment closing date.

The FAA will consider all comments received on or before the closing date for comments. Late-filed comments will be considered to the extent practicable.

This final rule may be amended in light of the comments received.

See **ADDRESSES** above for information on how to submit comments.

Availability of Final Rule

You can get an electronic copy using the Internet by taking the following steps:

(1) Go to search function of the Department of Transportation's electronic Docket Management System (DMS) Web page (<http://dms.dot.gov/search>).

(2) On the search page type in the last five digits of the Docket number shown at the beginning of this notice. Click on "search."

(3) On the next page, which contains the Docket summary information for the Docket you selected, click on the final rule.

You can also get an electronic copy using the Internet through FAA's web page at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/armhome.htm> or the Office of the Federal Register's web page at http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140html.

You can also get a copy by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Rulemaking, ARM-1, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591, or by calling (202) 267-9680. Be sure to identify the amendment number or docket number of this final rule.

Extension of Comment Period

On December 6, 2001, the FAA published a final rule with request for comments entitled "Criminal History Records Checks" (66 FR 63474). The FAA requested that comments be submitted by January 7, 2002. By letter dated December 21, 2001, the Air Transport Association (ATA) and the Regional Airline Association (RAA) requested that the FAA extend the comment period for 10 days. The ATA and RAA stated that the rule raised practical and legal issues requiring resolution. They also stated that more time is needed for them to develop their recommendations and circulate them among their members before submitting them to the FAA.

The FAA determines that extending the comment period is in the public interest. Accordingly, the comment period for the final rule "Criminal History Records Checks" is extended until January 17, 2002.

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Anthony F. Fazio,

Director, Office of Rulemaking.

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