DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 89

[Docket No. FAA–2019–1100]

Enforcement Policy Regarding Production Requirements for Standard Remote Identification Unmanned Aircraft

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notification of enforcement policy.

SUMMARY: For noncompliance with the remote identification production requirements applicable to unmanned aircraft, which occurs on or before December 16, 2022, the FAA will consider all circumstances, in particular, the delay in the FAA’s acceptance of a means of compliance, when exercising its discretion whether to take enforcement action.

DATES: This policy is effective September 8, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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Background

On January 15, 2021, the Remote Identification of Unmanned Aircraft final rule (RIN 2120–AL31) published in the Federal Register at 86 FR 4390. In accordance with the final rule, standard remote identification unmanned aircraft and remote identification broadcast modules must be designed and produced to meet the requirements of title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations part 89 (14 CFR part 89). A person designing or producing a standard remote identification unmanned aircraft or remote identification broadcast module for operation in the United States must show that the unmanned aircraft or broadcast module meets the requirements of an FAA-accepted means of compliance. A means of compliance describes the methods by which the person complies with the performance-based requirements for remote identification.

Under part 89, a person seeking acceptance by the FAA of a means of compliance for standard remote identification unmanned aircraft or remote identification broadcast modules must submit the means of compliance to the FAA. The FAA reviews the means of compliance to determine if it meets the minimum performance requirements and includes appropriate testing and validation procedures in accordance with 14 CFR part 89. Specifically, the person must submit a detailed description of the means of compliance, an explanation for how the means of compliance meets the minimum performance requirements of 14 CFR part 89, and any substantiating material the person wishes the FAA to consider as part of the application.1 Part 89 prohibits production of unmanned aircraft for operation in the United States unless the manufacturer meets the performance requirements of part 89 by following an FAA-accepted means of compliance for producing standard remote identification unmanned aircraft by the compliance date of September 16, 2022.2 A means of compliance is not considered to be “FAA-accepted” until the means of compliance has been evaluated by the Administrator, the Administrator determines that the means of compliance meets the requirements of subparts D and E of part 89, and the FAA has notified the person who submitted the means of compliance that the Administrator has accepted it.3

On May 13, 2022, the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) submitted “Standard Practice for Remote ID Means of Compliance to Federal Aviation Administration Regulation 14 CFR part 89,” ASTM Reference Number F3586–22, to the FAA for acceptance. On August 11, 2022, the FAA published a notice of availability announcing the acceptance of a means of compliance consisting of both ASTM Standard F3586–22 and the additions specified in that notice of availability.4 Accordingly, while the FAA expects that those involved in the development of ASTM F3586–22 require less time to design and develop standard remote identification unmanned aircraft using the FAA-accepted means of compliance (ASTM F3586–22 and additions provided in the notice of availability) than they would if the entire means of compliance had been unfamiliar, until a means of compliance was accepted by the FAA, persons producing unmanned aircraft were unable to meet the standard remote identification unmanned aircraft production requirements in part 89.

Statement of Policy

The FAA recognizes that it accepted the ASTM F3586–22 means of compliance slightly more than a month before the September 16, 2022, compliance date. The FAA has already received some declarations of compliance from manufacturers who are likely to meet the September 16, 2022, compliance date. However, the FAA acknowledges that other manufacturers may not have sufficient time to adequately design, develop, and test unmanned aircraft and file a declaration of compliance with the FAA on or before September 16, 2022, because of the delayed acceptance of the means of compliance. Accordingly, the FAA will exercise its discretion in determining how to handle any apparent noncompliance, including exercising discretion to not take enforcement action, if appropriate, for any noncompliance that occurs on or before December 16, 2022. The exercise of enforcement discretion herein creates no individual right of action and establishes no precedent for future determinations.

1 14 CFR 89.405.
2 14 CFR 89.510 and 89.515.
3 14 CFR 89.410.
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Internal Revenue Service
26 CFR Part 301
[TD 9964]
RIN 1545–BI29
Disclosure of Information to State Officials Regarding Tax-Exempt Organizations; Correction
AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.
ACTION: Final regulations; correction.
SUMMARY: This document contains corrections to a final regulation (TD 9964) that was published in the Federal Register on August 16, 2022. This document contains final regulations that define the guidance to states regarding the process by which they may obtain or inspect certain returns and return information (including information about final and proposed denials and revocations of tax-exempt status) for the purpose of administering State laws governing certain tax-exempt organizations and their activities.
DATES: These corrections are effective on September 12, 2022 and applicable on or after August 16, 2022.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Concerning the regulations, Seth Groman, (202) 317–5640.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Background
The final regulations that are the subject of these corrections are under section 6104(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.
Need for Correction
As published on August 16, 2022 (87 FR 50240) the final regulation (TD 9964) contains errors that need to be corrected.
Correction of Publication
Accordingly, the final regulations (TD 9964) that are the subject of FR Doc. 2022–17574, appearing on page 50240 in the Federal Register on August 16, 2022, are corrected to read as follows:
1. On page 50241, in the third column, in the first line from the top of the fourth full paragraph, the language “Sections.” is corrected to read “Sections”.
2. On page 50241, in the third column, in the second line from the top of the fourth full paragraph, the language “provides” is corrected to read “provide”.
3. On page 50243, in the third column, in the twelfth line from the bottom of the first full paragraph, the language “§ 301–6104(c)–1(g)(1)” is corrected to read “§ 301.6104(c)–1(g)(1)”.
4. On page 50244, in the third column, under the heading “Drafting Information”, in the third and fourth line from the top, the language “(Tax Exempt and Government Entities)”, is corrected to read “(Employee Benefits, Exempt Organizations, and Employment Taxes)”.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Coast Guard
33 CFR Part 100
[Docket No. USCG–2022–0729]
Special Local Regulations; Clearwater Offshore Nationals/Race World Offshore, Gulf of Mexico, Clearwater, FL
AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.
ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.
SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a special local regulation on the waters of the Gulf of Mexico, in the vicinity of Clearwater, Florida, during the Clearwater Offshore Nationals/Race World Offshore. Approximately 50 powerboats traveling at speeds in excess of 100 miles per hour are expected to participate. Additionally, it is anticipated that 500 spectator vessels will be present along the race course. The special local regulation is necessary to protect the safety of race participants, participants vessels, spectators, and the general public on certain navigable waters of the Gulf of Mexico, Clearwater, Florida during the event. The special local regulation will establish an enforcement area where all persons and vessels, except those persons and vessels participating in the high-speed boat races, are prohibited from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within the regulated area without obtaining permission from the Captain of the Port St. Petersburg or a designated representative.
DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 100.703 will be enforced from 11:30 a.m. until 4 p.m., on September 25, 2022, for the location identified in Item 6 in Table 1 to § 100.703.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email Marine Science Technician Second Class Regina Cuevas, Sector St. Petersburg Prevention Department, Coast Guard; telephone (813) 228–2191, email Regina.L.Cuevas@uscg.mil.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the special local regulations in 33 CFR 100.703, Table 1 to § 100.703, Item No. 6, for the Clearwater Offshore Nationals/Race World Offshore regulated area from 11:30 a.m. until 4 p.m., on September 25, 2022. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for recurring marine events, Sector St. Petersburg, § 100.703, Table 1 to § 100.703, Item No. 6, specifies the location of the regulated area for the Clearwater Offshore Nationals/Race World Offshore which encompasses portions of the Gulf of Mexico near Clearwater, FL. During the enforcement periods, as reflected in § 100.703(c), if you are the operator of a vessel in the regulated area you must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any designated representative.
In addition to this notice of enforcement in the Federal Register, the Coast Guard plans to provide notification of this enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners, marine information broadcasts, or both.
Dated: September 2, 2022.
Michael P. Kahle,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port St. Petersburg.
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