

**Federal Aviation Administration
Office of Aerospace Medicine
Drug Abatement Division**

**GUIDANCE ALERT
FAA Regulations Affecting Multiple Certificate Holders or Locations**

The Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Drug Abatement Division is issuing the following guidance pertaining to employers with multiple operating certificates or locations as it relates to the drug and alcohol testing regulation (14 CFR part 120).

The regulations, specifically 14 CFR §120.117(b) and §120.225(b), state that a part 119 air carrier authorized to operate under part 121 or 135, an air tour operator defined in part 91.147, an Air Traffic Control Tower not operated by the FAA or by or under contract to the U.S. Military, or a part 145 repair station or contractor who opts to have an FAA-mandated drug and alcohol testing program must meet the requirements of this subpart. As a result of the regulations, employers must understand that having multiple programs requires each operator to implement a separate testing program, each with their own designated employer representative, separate pre-employment drug testing results, drug and alcohol records check, random pool, training, etc.

If you are a company with multiple certificates or locations, your compliance may be affected. For more information or guidance, please contact the FAA's Drug Abatement Division at (202) 267-8442 or drugabatement@faa.gov. You may also mail your inquiry to:

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