

# NOTICE

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**SUBJ:** OpSpec A001, Issuance and Applicability

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**1. Purpose of This Notice.** This notice announces a revision to operations specification (OpSpec) A001 for Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 145 certificate holders (CH) to accommodate multiple aviation safety agreements within the scope of this OpSpec. It also simplifies the template language to provide verification of the safety agreements in general by removing specific references to U.S./European Union (EU) aviation safety agreements.

**2. Audience.** The primary audience for this notice is Flight Standards (FS) General Aviation Safety Assurance (GASA) offices' and International Field Offices' (IFO) principal inspectors (PI) assigned to part 145 CHs. The secondary audience includes the Safety Standards and Foundational Business offices.

**3. Where You Can Find This Notice.** You can find this notice on the MyFAA employee website at [https://employees.faa.gov/tools\\_resources/orders\\_notices](https://employees.faa.gov/tools_resources/orders_notices), the Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS) at <https://fsims.avs.faa.gov>, and the Dynamic Regulatory System (DRS) at <https://drs.faa.gov>. Operators and the public can find this notice on the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) website at [https://www.faa.gov/regulations\\_policies/orders\\_notices](https://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/orders_notices), FSIMS at <https://fsims.faa.gov>, and the DRS.

#### **4. Discussion.**

**a.** The current part 145 OpSpec A001, subparagraph d only allows for the selection of U.S./EU safety agreements. This can create a problem for repair stations within the United States holding multiple aviation safety agreements (e.g., European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), United Kingdom (UK), Singapore, Brazil, and more to come), which the current subparagraph d does not address. The Aircraft Maintenance Division (AFS-300) is simplifying the safety agreement language to minimize the number of updates to the OpSpec. The current OpSpec guidance in FAA Order 8900.1, Volume 3, Chapter 18, Section 10, Parts A, B, and D Operations Specifications for Part 145 Repair Stations, allows the PI to select the applicable subparagraph d.

**b.** This revision to OpSpec A001 (subparagraph d) removes the specific references to the United States and EU, allowing for the inclusion of new and future safety agreements. Subparagraph d now has just two selectable statements, as shown below. The first statement

applies to a repair station with one or multiple agreements (e.g., EASA and Singapore). The second statement applies to a repair station with no safety agreements.

- “The repair station specified on these operations specifications *performs* maintenance and/or an alteration of aircraft and/or aeronautical products under a safety agreement.”
- “The repair station specified on these operation specifications *does not perform* maintenance and/or an alteration of aircraft and/or aeronautical products under a safety agreement.”

**5. Guidance.** AFS-300 developed this notice. The sample OpSpec A001 template in Appendix A applies to part 145. Refer to Order 8900.1, Volume 3, Chapter 18, Section 10.

**6. Action.** Although this is a nonmandatory revision to part 145 OpSpec A001, reissuance of A001 is mandatory within 90 days for repair stations within the United States having multiple safety agreements (e.g., EASA, Singapore, Transport Canada Civil Aviation (TCCA), etc.). If the repair station only has an EASA safety agreement, there is no requirement to reissue A001 as a result of this revision.

**a. Reissuing A001.** PIs assigned to part 145 repair stations within the United States with multiple safety agreements must reissue OpSpec A001 after selecting the applicable subparagraph d from the new selection options. The sample OpSpec A001 in Appendix A serves as a reference.

**b. Notify the CH.** Notify the part 145 CH of the revision changes.

**7. Disposition.** We will not incorporate the information in this notice into Order 8900.1 before this notice expires. Direct questions or comments concerning the information in this notice to the Aircraft Maintenance Division (AFS-300) at 202-267-1675.



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**Appendix A. Sample OpSpec A001, Issuance and Applicability: 14 CFR Part 145**

- a. These operations specifications are issued to \_\_\_\_\_, a
  - repair station located in the United States, pursuant to 14 CFR Part 145, § 145.53.
  - repair station located outside the United States, pursuant to 14 CFR Part 145, § 145.53.

The repair station certificate holder shall conduct operations in accordance with Part 145 and these operations specifications.

The certificate holder’s address:

Fixed Location:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- b. The holder of these operations specifications is the holder of certificate number \_\_\_\_\_ and shall hereafter be referred to as the “certificate holder.”

c. These operations specifications are issued as part of this repair station certificate and are in effect as of the date approval is effective. This certificate and these operations specifications shall remain in effect until

- the certificate for a repair station that is located in the United States is surrendered, suspended, or revoked.
- the last day of the 12th month after the date on which the certificate for the repair station that is located outside the United States is issued, unless previously surrendered, suspended, or revoked. If the certificate holder continues to comply with § 145.55 and applies for renewal before the expiration of such a certificate or rating, its certificate or rating may be renewed for 24 months from the date of renewal.
- the expiration date on the issued certificate for a repair station that is located outside the United States unless previously surrendered, suspended, or revoked.

d. The repair station specified on these operations specifications performs maintenance and/or an alteration of aircraft and/or aeronautical products under a safety agreement.

d. The repair station specified on these operation specifications does not perform maintenance and/or an alteration of aircraft and/or aeronautical products under a safety agreement.

e. The certificate holder is authorized to use only the business name which appears on the certificate to conduct the operations described in subparagraph a.

e. The certificate holder is authorized to conduct the operations described in subparagraph a under the following other business names:

Delegated authorities: \_\_\_\_\_