

NOTICE

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SUBJ: OpSpec A001, Issuance and Applicability, for Part 145 Repair Stations

1. Purpose of This Notice. This notice announces a nonmandatory revision to operations specification (OpSpec) A001 for Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 145 certificate holders (CH) to remove the “Delegated Authorities” data field and dropdown list.

2. Audience. The primary audience for this notice is Flight Standards (FS) General Aviation Safety Assurance (GASA) and Air Carrier Safety Assurance (ACSA) 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 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 and DRS.

4. Discussion.

a. The 14 CFR part 183 Organization Designation Authorization (ODA) Letter of Designation allows an organization to perform specified functions on behalf of the Administrator related to engineering, manufacturing, operations, airworthiness, or maintenance. The ODA functions are approved under part 183, and not under part 145. The “Delegated Authorities” data field and dropdown list, previously located in OpSpec A001 below subparagraph e, had not been used consistently to list part 183 ODA approval (e.g., on repair stations that had ODA designation, the information was left blank, or “None” was selected from the dropdown list).

b. The previous OpSpec A001 guidance in FAA Order 8900.1, Flight Standards Information Management System, Volume 3, Chapter 18, Section 10, Parts A, B, and D Operations Specifications for Part 145 Repair Stations, referred to the “Delegated Authorities” data field without further explanation.

5. Guidance.

a. Order 8900.1. Order 8900.1, Volume 3, Chapter 18, Section 10 has been updated to remove the reference to the “Delegated Authorities” data field and dropdown list.

b. OpSpec Template. This notice contains the sample OpSpec A001 template in Appendix A, which applies to part 145.

6. Action. This is a nonmandatory revision to part 145 OpSpec A001. Inspectors will issue a revised OpSpec A001 to part 145 CHs at their convenience.

7. Disposition. We have incorporated the information in this notice into Order 8900.1. Direct questions or comments concerning the information in this notice to the Aircraft Maintenance Division (AFS-300) at 202-267-1675, or via email at 9-AWA-AFS-300-Maintenance@faa.gov.



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

- a. These operations specifications are issued to [Repair Station Name], a
- repair station located in the United States, pursuant to 14 CFR Part 145, § 145.53(a).
 - repair station located outside the United States, pursuant to 14 CFR Part 145, § 145.53(a).

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

The certificate holder's address:

Fixed Location:

Mailing Address:

- 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 Bilateral Aviation Safety Agreement (BASA).
- 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 Bilateral Aviation Safety Agreement (BASA).

- 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:

[Note: The data field previously below paragraph e that included the option to select “Delegated Authorities” and to enter free text in the data field has been removed from this operations specification.]