

NOTICE

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

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Air Traffic Organization Policy

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SUBJ: Extension of Temporary Certification Authority Period

1. Purpose of This Notice. This Notice revises policy in Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Order JO 3000.57A, *Air Traffic Organization Technical Operations Training and Personnel Certification*, paragraph 5-9b, to allow for an extension of the temporary certification period due to the restricted travel policy and social distancing measures enacted because of COVID-19.

2. Audience. This Notice applies to all personnel using FAA Order JO 3000.57A.

3. Where Can I Find This Notice?

https://my.faa.gov/org/linebusiness/ato/safety/technical_training/JO_3000_57A.html
https://employees.faa.gov/tools_resources/orders_notices/
https://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/orders_notices/

4. What This Notice Changes. This Notice modifies the period of time a temporary certification can be issued from two 90-day periods to four.

5. Explanation of Policy Changes. Replace the current paragraph 5-9b with the paragraph below.

b. Temporary Certification Authority. Temporary certification authority may be granted on a specific type of system, subsystem, or service based on a determination of operational need during unusual circumstances. This authority is valid for up to 90 days after granting and must not be granted to the same individual for more than 12 months (four 90-day periods) on the same system, subsystem, or service. On the third and fourth 90-day periods, the Front Line Manager (FLM) will provide written justification to the District Facility Manager and District Manager (or equivalent). The District Manager (or equivalent) will provide a written approval (email) to the FLM and Program Support Specialist. The granting of temporary certification authority must be fully and formally documented in the nationally approved software system. The following criteria must also be met to grant temporary certification:

(1) When granting temporary certification authority to an individual, consideration should be given in the following sequence:

(a) Individuals who have met the applicable theory requirements; and

(b) Individuals who have not met the applicable theory requirements but have met training requirements for related systems (e.g., an employee certified on FA-9639 Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) may be granted temporary certification authority for FA-9783 DME; however, training on communications equipment cannot be considered applicable to DME).

(2) Temporary certification authority must not be granted to employees who, on the last attempt, failed the theory requirement, On-the-Job Training requirement, or performance requirement for the pertinent system, subsystem, or service.

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