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**Subject:** Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 205, Aircraft Accident Liability Insurance Requirements for U.S. and Foreign Air Carriers.

**Purpose:** This InFO reminds U.S. and foreign direct air carriers of their responsibility to maintain evidence of aircraft accident liability insurance coverage on file with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), as required by part 205.

**Background:** The Federal Aviation Administration Air Transportation Division's Technical Programs Branch has learned that U.S. and foreign direct air carriers, as part 205 describes, might not submit necessary information to the FAA to ensure compliance with part 205. Section 205.4(c) states "Certificates of insurance and endorsements required in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section shall be submitted to the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Program Management Branch, AFS-260...." For the purposes of this InFO and submission process, the FAA considers the term Program Management Branch as interchangeable with Technical Programs Branch.

**Discussion:** Section 205.2 states that part 205 applies to U.S. direct air carriers, including commuter air carriers and air taxi operators as defined in § 298.2, and foreign direct air carriers, including Canadian charter air taxi operators as defined in § 294.2(c). Section 205.4, *Filing of evidence of insurance*, states "Certificates of Insurance shall be filed on OST Form 6410 for U.S. air carriers and ... OST Form 6411 for foreign air carriers." Section 205.4(c) further requires the air carriers to which part 205 applies to submit certificates of insurance and endorsements to the FAA.

Specifically, § 205.4 provides, in part, as follows:

- (a) A U.S. or foreign air carrier shall file a certificate of insurance or a complete plan for self-insurance with the Department. Each carrier shall ensure that the evidence of aircraft accident liability coverage filed with the Department is correct at all times. ... Certificates of Insurance shall be filed on OST Form 6410 for U.S. air carriers, including commuter air carriers and air taxi operators, and OST Form 6411 for foreign air carriers, including Canadian air taxi operators. ...

(b) If the coverage is by type or class of aircraft or by specific aircraft, endorsements that add previously unlisted aircraft or aircraft types or classes to coverage, or that delete listed aircraft, types, or classes from coverage, shall be filed with the Department at the addresses specified in paragraph (c) of this section not more than 30 days after the effective date of the endorsements. Aircraft shall not be listed in the carrier's operations specifications with the FAA and shall not be operated unless liability insurance coverage is in force.

Part 205, therefore, requires U.S. and foreign air carriers to ensure that the insurance information on file with the Technical Programs Branch is correct at all times. U.S. and foreign air carriers to which part 205 applies may modify or update their insurance coverage information or status by submitting OST Form 6410 or 6411 to the Technical Programs Branch. Forms and filing instructions are available on the Part 205 Insurance and Part 298 Exemptions website at:

[https://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/avs/offices/afx/afs/afs200/afs260/exemptions/](https://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/avs/offices/afx/afs/afs200/afs260/exemptions/)

**Recommended Action:** U.S and foreign direct air carriers to which part 205 applies should review their most recent air carrier liability certificates of insurance filed with the Technical Programs Branch and ensure all information for aircraft listed on the applicable operations specifications remains accurate. Such air carriers may file updated certificates of insurance OST Form 6410 or 6411 with the Technical Programs Branch at [AFS-260-Insurance@faa.gov](mailto:AFS-260-Insurance@faa.gov).

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