

*Section 61.211 Applicability*

This section would describe the applicability of proposed subpart I.

*Section 61.213 Eligibility Requirements*

This proposed section would:

- (1) include ground instructor certificates and ratings in part 61;
- (2) revise ground instructor certificates and ratings;
- (3) require all applicants for a certificate or rating to read, write, speak, and understand the English language;
- (4) clarify that all applicants for a certificate or rating need to pass a knowledge test; and
- (5) require applicants for a ground instructor certificate or rating to pass a practical test.

The eligibility requirements would continue to waive the "fundamentals of instruction" portion of the knowledge test for certain applicants. (This provision is currently found in FAA Order 8700.1). The reference in existing § 143.11 for a ground instructor applicant to be of good moral character would be eliminated.

Under this section an applicant would not be eligible for a ground instructor certificate if the applicant holds a current flight instructor certificate for the same category and class of aircraft. A flight instructor is permitted to give ground training on the aircraft for which the person holds flight instructor ratings. Therefore, the FAA believes issuing a flight instructor certificate that has identical ground instructing privileges as a ground instructor certificate is unnecessary. A flight instructor would not receive any additional privileges by obtaining a ground instructor certificate in the same category and class.

*Section 61.215 Aeronautical Knowledge*

The requirements in existing § 143.11 would be clarified to include the minimum knowledge requirements on the fundamentals of instruction and the appropriate aeronautical knowledge areas for the aircraft category rating sought.

This section would require a person who trains a ground instructor applicant to meet minimum experience requirements.

*Section 61.217 Ground Instructor Proficiency*

This section would include the proposed proficiency requirements that an applicant would be required to meet to pass the proposed practical test.

*Section 61.219 Ground Instructor Records*

This proposed section would require a ground instructor to sign the records of students to whom ground training is given and retain a record of the training given.

*Section 61.221 Additional Ground Instructor Ratings*

This section proposes that the holder of a ground instructor certificate who applies for an additional rating on that certificate be required to pass a knowledge test on the subjects that pertain to the rating. Such a requirement (the requirement can be found in FAA Order 8700.1) is not expressed in existing part 143 but currently must be met when adding a rating on a ground instructor certificate.

*Section 61.223 Ground Instructor Endorsements and Authorizations*

This proposed section would list the endorsements and authorizations that a ground instructor could give. A similar section does not appear in part 143.

*Section 61.225 Recency of Experience for a Holder of a Ground Instructor Certificate*

This proposed section would establish the recency of experience requirements for a person who holds a ground instructor certificate. The proposal would establish recency of experience requirements that would require a ground instructor to:

1. Give a person training and has endorsed that person for a knowledge or practical test within the preceding 12 calendar months; or
2. Receive an endorsement from an authorized flight or ground instructor, which states that the person has demonstrated satisfactory competence in the knowledge and proficiency requirements listed in proposed §§ 61.215 and 61.217, that apply to the ground instructor ratings held.

*Section 61.227 Conversion to the Current System of Ground Instructor Ratings*

This proposed section would include the procedures for obtaining the proposed ground instructor ratings.

*Appendix A to Part 61—Practical Test Requirements for Airplane Airline Transport Pilot Certificates and Associated Class and Type Ratings*

The FAA proposes to delete appendix A from part 61. The proposal is a result of establishing areas of operation in part 61 to parallel the Practical Test Standards that cover the administering

of practical tests for the ATP certificate with the airplane class and type ratings.

*Appendix B to Part 61—Practical Test Requirements for Rotorcraft Airline Transport Pilot Certificates With a Helicopter Class Rating and Associated Type Ratings*

On August 11, 1992, the FAA proposed deleting appendix B from part 61 in the NPRM No. 92-10, "Aircraft Flight Simulator Use in Pilot Training, Testing, and Checking at Training Centers" (57 FR 35888-35938). Therefore, appendix B of part 61 has not been reprinted in this rulemaking project.

**F. Section by Section Discussion of Part 141—Pilot Schools****Subpart A—General***Section 141.1 Applicability*

This proposed section contains format revisions only.

*Section 141.3 Certificate required*

No modifications are proposed for this section.

*Section 141.5 Requirements for a Pilot School Certificate*

The proposed changes for this section are as follows:

- (1) Replaces the title "Pilot school certificate" with "Requirements for a pilot school certificate;"
- (2) Includes the proposed modification of a pilot school's quality of training requirements;
- (3) Revises the current requirements for a pilot school certificate by specifying that the application is to be completed in a manner prescribed by the Administrator;
- (4) Clarifies that an applicant for a pilot school certificate must hold a provisional pilot school certificate for at least 24 calendar months prior to applying for a pilot school certificate;
- (5) Revises the current provisions that require in order for an applicant to be issued a pilot school certificate, that applicant must have trained at least 10 students for a certificate or rating and at least 8 of the 10 most recent graduates tested, by an FAA Inspector or examiner, passed that test the first time. The revision in the proposed § 141.5, would require an applicant to have trained and recommended at least 10 students for:

a. A practical or knowledge test for a pilot, flight instructor, or ground instructor certificate or rating, and at least a 80 percent passed the test on the first attempt, and the tests must have been conducted by an FAA inspector or an examiner who is not an employee of the school; or