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accelerated flight conditions are transmitted to the lines attached to the valve.

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#### §25.997 Fuel strainer or filter.

There must be a fuel strainer or filter between the fuel tank outlet and the inlet of either the fuel metering device or an engine driven positive displacement pump, whichever is nearer the fuel tank outlet. This fuel strainer or filter must—

- (a) Be accessible for draining and cleaning and must incorporate a screen or element which is easily removable;
- (b) Have a sediment trap and drain except that it need not have a drain if the strainer or filter is easily removable for drain purposes;
- (c) Be mounted so that its weight is not supported by the connecting lines or by the inlet or outlet connections of the strainer or filter itself, unless adequate strength margins under all loading conditions are provided in the lines and connections; and
- (d) Have the capacity (with respect to operating limitations established for the engine) to ensure that engine fuel system functioning is not impaired, with the fuel contaminated to a degree (with respect to particle size and density) that is greater than that established for the engine in Part 33 of this chapter.

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### §25.999 Fuel system drains.

- (a) Drainage of the fuel system must be accomplished by the use of fuel strainer and fuel tank sump drains.
- (b) Each drain required by paragraph (a) of this section must—
- (1) Discharge clear of all parts of the airplane;
- (2) Have manual or automatic means for positive locking in the closed position; and
  - (3) Have a drain valve—
- (i) That is readily accessible and which can be easily opened and closed; and
- (ii) That is either located or protected to prevent fuel spillage in the

event of a landing with landing gear retracted

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# §25.1001 Fuel jettisoning system.

- (a) A fuel jettisoning system must be installed on each airplane unless it is shown that the airplane meets the climb requirements of §§25.119 and 25.121(d) at maximum takeoff weight, less the actual or computed weight of fuel necessary for a 15-minute flight comprised of a takeoff, go-around, and landing at the airport of departure with the airplane configuration, speed, power, and thrust the same as that used in meeting the applicable takeoff, approach, and landing climb performance requirements of this part.
- (b) If a fuel jettisoning system is required it must be capable of jettisoning enough fuel within 15 minutes, starting with the weight given in paragraph (a) of this section, to enable the airplane to meet the climb requirements of §§ 25.119 and 25.121(d), assuming that the fuel is jettisoned under the conditions, except weight, found least favorable during the flight tests prescribed in paragraph (c) of this section.
- (c) Fuel jettisoning must be demonstrated beginning at maximum takeoff weight with flaps and landing gear up and in—
  - (1) A power-off glide at 1.3  $V_{SR1}$ ;
- (2) A climb at the one-engine inoperative best rate-of-climb speed, with the critical engine inoperative and the remaining engines at maximum continuous power; and
- (3) Level flight at 1.3 V  $_{\rm SRI}$ ; if the results of the tests in the conditions specified in paragraphs (c)(1) and (2) of this section show that this condition could be critical.
- (d) During the flight tests prescribed in paragraph (e) of this section, it must be shown that—
- (1) The fuel jettisoning system and its operation are free from fire hazard;
- (2) The fuel discharges clear of any part of the airplane;
- (3) Fuel or fumes do not enter any parts of the airplane; and
- (4) The jettisoning operation does not adversely affect the controllability of the airplane.

- (e) For reciprocating engine powered airplanes, means must be provided to prevent jettisoning the fuel in the tanks used for takeoff and landing below the level allowing 45 minutes flight at 75 percent maximum continuous power. However, if there is an auxiliary control independent of the main jettisoning control, the system may be designed to jettison the remaining fuel by means of the auxiliary jettisoning control.
- (f) For turbine engine powered airplanes, means must be provided to prevent jettisoning the fuel in the tanks used for takeoff and landing below the level allowing climb from sea level to 10,000 feet and thereafter allowing 45 minutes cruise at a speed for maximum range. However, if there is an auxiliary control independent of the main jettisoning control, the system may be designed to jettison the remaining fuel by means of the auxiliary jettisoning control
- (g) The fuel jettisoning valve must be designed to allow flight personnel to close the valve during any part of the jettisoning operation.
- (h) Unless it is shown that using any means (including flaps, slots, and slats) for changing the airflow across or around the wings does not adversely affect fuel jettisoning, there must be a placard, adjacent to the jettisoning control, to warn flight crewmembers against jettisoning fuel while the means that change the airflow are being used.
- (i) The fuel jettisoning system must be designed so that any reasonably probable single malfunction in the system will not result in a hazardous condition due to unsymmetrical jettisoning of, or inability to jettison, fuel.

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### OIL SYSTEM

# § 25.1011 General.

(a) Each engine must have an independent oil system that can supply it with an appropriate quantity of oil at a temperature not above that safe for continuous operation.

- (b) The usable oil capacity may not be less than the product of the endurance of the airplane under critical operating conditions and the approved maximum allowable oil consumption of the engine under the same conditions, plus a suitable margin to ensure system circulation. Instead of a rational analysis of airplane range for the purpose of computing oil requirements for reciprocating engine powered airplanes, the following fuel/oil ratios may be used:
- (1) For airplanes without a reserve oil or oil transfer system, a fuel/oil ratio of 30:1 by volume.
- (2) For airplanes with either a reserve oil or oil transfer system, a fuel/oil ratio of 40:1 by volume.
- (c) Fuel/oil ratios higher than those prescribed in paragraphs (b)(1) and (2) of this section may be used if substantiated by data on actual engine oil consumption.

# § 25.1013 Oil tanks.

- (a) *Installation*. Each oil tank installation must meet the requirements of § 25.967.
- (b) Expansion space. Oil tank expansion space must be provided as follows:
- (1) Each oil tank used with a reciprocating engine must have an expansion space of not less than the greater of 10 percent of the tank capacity or 0.5 gallon, and each oil tank used with a turbine engine must have an expansion space of not less than 10 percent of the tank capacity.
- (2) Each reserve oil tank not directly connected to any engine may have an expansion space of not less than two percent of the tank capacity.
- (3) It must be impossible to fill the expansion space inadvertently with the airplane in the normal ground attitude.
- (c) Filler connection. Each recessed oil tank filler connection that can retain any appreciable quantity of oil must have a drain that discharges clear of each part of the airplane. In addition, each oil tank filler cap must provide an oil-tight seal.
- (d) Vent. Oil tanks must be vented as follows:
- (1) Each oil tank must be vented from the top part of the expansion space so that venting is effective under any normal flight condition.