

at least equivalent to those recommended by the manufacturer and acceptable to the FAA.

(d) A certificated repair station must maintain, in a format acceptable to the FAA, the documents and data required for the performance of maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations under its repair station certificate and operations specifications in accordance with part 43. The following documents and data must be current and accessible when the relevant work is being done:

- (1) Airworthiness directives,
- (2) Instructions for continued airworthiness,
- (3) Maintenance manuals,
- (4) Overhaul manuals,
- (5) Standard practice manuals,
- (6) Service bulletins, and
- (7) Other applicable data acceptable to or approved by the FAA.

Subpart D—Personnel

SOURCE: Docket No. FAA-1999-5836, 66 FR 41117, Aug. 6, 2001, unless otherwise noted.

§ 145.151 Personnel requirements.

Each certificated repair station must—

- (a) Designate a repair station employee as the accountable manager;
- (b) Provide qualified personnel to plan, supervise, perform, and approve for return to service the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations performed under the repair station certificate and operations specifications;
- (c) Ensure it has a sufficient number of employees with the training or knowledge and experience in the performance of maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations authorized by the repair station certificate and operations specifications to ensure all work is performed in accordance with part 43; and
- (d) Determine the abilities of its non-certificated employees performing maintenance functions based on training, knowledge, experience, or practical tests.

§ 145.153 Supervisory personnel requirements.

- (a) A certificated repair station must ensure it has a sufficient number of su-

pervisors to direct the work performed under the repair station certificate and operations specifications. The supervisors must oversee the work performed by any individuals who are unfamiliar with the methods, techniques, practices, aids, equipment, and tools used to perform the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations.

(b) Each supervisor must—

- (1) If employed by a repair station located inside the United States, be certificated under part 65.

(2) If employed by a repair station located outside the United States—

- (i) Have a minimum of 18 months of practical experience in the work being performed; or
- (ii) Be trained in or thoroughly familiar with the methods, techniques, practices, aids, equipment, and tools used to perform the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations.

(c) A certificated repair station must ensure its supervisors understand, read, and write English.

§ 145.155 Inspection personnel requirements.

(a) A certificated repair station must ensure that persons performing inspections under the repair station certificate and operations specifications are—

- (1) Thoroughly familiar with the applicable regulations in this chapter and with the inspection methods, techniques, practices, aids, equipment, and tools used to determine the airworthiness of the article on which maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations are being performed; and

(2) Proficient in using the various types of inspection equipment and visual inspection aids appropriate for the article being inspected; and

(b) A certificated repair station must ensure its inspectors understand, read, and write English.

§ 145.157 Personnel authorized to approve an article for return to service.

(a) A certificated repair station located inside the United States must ensure each person authorized to approve an article for return to service under