

comply with the requirements of §108.207 regarding the use of metal detection devices.

(5) The procedures and description of the facilities and equipment used to comply with the requirements of §108.209 regarding the use of x-ray systems.

(6) The procedures and description of the facilities and equipment used to comply with the requirements of §108.211 regarding the use of explosives detection systems.

(7) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.213 regarding standards for screening personnel.

(8) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.215 regarding the responsibilities of security coordinators. The names of the Aircraft Operator Security Coordinator (AOSC) and any alternate, and the means for contacting the AOSC(s) on a 24-hour basis, as provided in §108.215.

(9) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.217 regarding the requirements for law enforcement personnel.

(10) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.219 regarding carriage of accessible weapons.

(11) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.221 regarding carriage of prisoners under the control of armed law enforcement officers.

(12) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.223 regarding transportation of Federal Air Marshals.

(13) The procedures and description of the facilities and equipment used to perform the aircraft and facilities control function specified in §108.225.

(14) The specific locations where the air carrier has entered into an exclusive area agreement under §108.227.

(15) The procedures used to comply with the applicable requirements of §108.229 regarding employment history investigations.

(16) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.231 regarding personnel identification systems.

(17) The procedures and syllabi used to accomplish the training required under §108.233.

(18) The procedures and syllabi used to accomplish the training required under §108.235.

(19) An aviation security contingency plan as specified under §108.301.

(20) The procedures used to comply with the requirements of §108.303 regarding bomb and air piracy threats.

#### § 108.105 Approval and amendments.

(a) *Initial approval of security program.* Unless otherwise authorized by the Assistant Administrator, each aircraft operator required to have a security program under this part shall submit its proposed security program to the Assistant Administrator for approval at least 90 days before the date of intended passenger operations. The proposed security program shall meet the requirements applicable to its operation as described in §108.101. Such requests will be processed as follows:

(1) The Assistant Administrator, within 30 days after receiving the proposed aircraft operator security program, will either approve the program or give the aircraft operator written notice to modify the program to comply with the applicable requirements of this part.

(2) The aircraft operator may either submit a modified security program to the Assistant Administrator for approval, or petition the Administrator to reconsider the notice to modify within 30 days of receiving a notice to modify. A petition for reconsideration shall be filed with the Assistant Administrator.

(3) The Assistant Administrator, upon receipt of a petition for reconsideration, either amends or withdraws the notice, or transmits the petition, together with any pertinent information, to the Administrator for reconsideration. The Administrator disposes of the petition within 30 days of receipt by either directing the Assistant Administrator to withdraw or amend the notice to modify, or by affirming the notice to modify.

(b) *Amendment requested by an aircraft operator.* An aircraft operator may submit a request to the Assistant Administrator to amend its security program as follows:

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(1) The request for an amendment shall be filed with the Assistant Administrator at least 45 days before the date it proposes for the amendment to become effective, unless a shorter period is allowed by the Assistant Administrator.

(2) Within 30 days after receiving a proposed amendment, the Assistant Administrator, in writing, either approves or denies the request to amend.

(3) An amendment to an aircraft operator security program may be approved if the Assistant Administrator determines that safety and the public interest will allow it, and the proposed amendment provides the level of security required under this part.

(4) Within 30 days after receiving a denial, the aircraft operator may petition the Administrator to reconsider the denial. A petition for reconsideration shall be filed with the Assistant Administrator.

(5) Upon receipt of a petition for reconsideration, the Assistant Administrator either approves the request to amend or transmits the petition, together with any pertinent information, to the Administrator for reconsideration. The Administrator disposes of the petition within 30 days of receipt by either directing the Assistant Administrator to approve the amendment, or affirm the denial.

(6) Any aircraft operator may submit a group proposal for an amendment that is on behalf of it and other aircraft operators that co-sign the proposal.

(c) *Amendment by the FAA.* If safety and the public interest require an amendment, the Assistant Administrator may amend a security program as follows:

(1) The Assistant Administrator notifies the aircraft operator, in writing, of the proposed amendment, fixing a period of not less than 30 days within which the aircraft operator may submit written information, views, and arguments on the amendment.

(2) After considering all relevant material, the Assistant Administrator notifies the aircraft operator of any amendment adopted or rescinds the notice. If the amendment is adopted, it becomes effective not less than 30 days after the aircraft operator receives the

notice of amendment, unless the aircraft operator petitions the Administrator to reconsider no later than 15 days before the effective date of the amendment. The aircraft operator shall send the petition for reconsideration to the Assistant Administrator. A timely petition for reconsideration stays the effective date of the amendment.

(3) Upon receipt of a petition for reconsideration, the Assistant Administrator either amends or withdraws the notice or transmits the petition, together with any pertinent information, to the Administrator for reconsideration. The Administrator disposes of the petition within 30 days of receipt by either directing the Assistant Administrator to withdraw or amend the amendment, or by affirming the amendment.

(d) *Emergency amendments.* If the Assistant Administrator finds that there is an emergency requiring immediate action with respect to safety in air transportation or in air commerce that makes procedures in this section contrary to the public interest, the Assistant Administrator may issue an amendment, without the prior notice and comment procedures in paragraph (c) of this section, effective without stay on the date the aircraft operator receives notice of it. In such a case, the Assistant Administrator will incorporate in the notice a brief statement of the reasons and findings for the amendment to be adopted. The aircraft operator may file a petition for reconsideration under paragraph (c) of this section; however, this does not stay the effective date of the emergency amendment.

### Subpart C—Operations

#### § 108.201 Screening of persons and accessible property.

(a) *General requirements.* Each aircraft operator shall use the facilities, equipment, and procedures described in its security program to prevent or deter the carriage of any explosive, incendiary, or deadly or dangerous weapon on or about each individual's person or accessible property before boarding an aircraft or entering a sterile area.