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CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD
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PARACHUTE LOFT CERTIFICATES AND RATINGS

Currently effective Part 54 contains definitions of certain terms used in that part and in Part 25, Parachute Technician Certificates, which is a related part. In view of the fact that Part 25 is being revised and that such revision has included different definitions, it is considered advisable to amend Part 54 to include these newer definitions.

Interested persons have been afforded an opportunity to participate in the making of this amendment, and due consideration has been given to all relevant matter presented.

In consideration of the foregoing the Civil Aeronautics Board hereby amends Part 54 (14 CFR, Part 54, as amended) effective September 5, 1950.

1. By amending §§ 54.22 and 54.22 (c) to read as follows:

54.22 Agencies authorized to perform maintenance, repairs, alterations and inspections. Maintenance, repairs, alterations and inspections of parachutes may be performed by:

- (c) The manufacturer of the parachute; or

2. By amending § 54.30 to read as follows:

54.30 Parachute. A parachute shall mean a contrivance, including its component parts, designed to retard the descent of a falling body or object through the air.

- (a) *Canopy.* That part of a parachute combination which is designed to retard the descent of a falling body or object.

- (b) *Harness.* That part of a parachute combination which is designed to enfold or carry the body or object and to serve as an attachment between the canopy and the body or object.

- (c) *Container.* That part of a parachute combination designed to hold or contain a folded canopy.

- (d) *Accessory.* That part or parts of a parachute combination necessary to complete a unit as designed by the manufacturer and approved by the Administrator.

3. By amending § 54.31 to read as follows:

54.31 Manufacturer. Manufacturer shall mean any individual, firm, partnership, company, association, or joint stock association, including any trustee, assignee or other similar representative thereof, which

(a) holds a type or production certificate for a parachute, or

(b) manufactures an approved parachute.

4. By amending § 54.32 to read as follows:

54.32 Maintenance. Maintenance shall mean the upkeep and preservation of parachutes, including the component parts thereof.

5. By amending § 54.33 to read as follows:

54.33 Minor repair. Minor repair shall mean a repair other than a major repair.

6. By amending § 54.34 to read as follows:

54.34 Major repair. Major repair shall mean a repair which might have an effect on the structural, functional, or handling characteristics of a parachute.

7. By amending § 54.35 to read as follows:

54.35 Alteration. Alteration shall mean any change in the design of a parachute.

8. By amending § 54.38 to read as follows:

54.36 Repair. Repair shall mean the restoration of a parachute to a condition for safe use after damage or deterioration.

9. By deleting §§ 54.37 and 54.38.

[Sec. 205 (a), 52 Stat. 984, 49 U.S.C. 425 (a). Interpret or apply Secs. 601, 607, 52 Stat. 1007, 1011, 49 U.S.C. 551, 557]

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