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# ADVISORY CIRCULAR

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

**SUBJECT:** IDENTIFICATION OF TECHNICAL STANDARD ORDER (TSO) SAFETY BELTS

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1. **PURPOSE.** This circular is to describe the markings which indicate that a safety belt has been manufactured under the Federal Aviation Administration Technical Standard Order (TSO) authorization, and is, therefore, approved for use in certificated aircraft.
  2. **CANCELLATION.** Advisory Circular No. 20-25 dated 7/5/64 is canceled.
  3. **BACKGROUND.** With the ever-increasing use of safety belts in automobiles, a great many companies are now manufacturing safety belts to supply this market. Some of these manufacturers also produce safety belts for use in aircraft, under the TSO authorization. Many automotive belts bear labels or are stamped to the effect that the belt meets or exceeds federal specifications, Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) standards, or TSO requirements. SUCH LABELS OR STAMPS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE TO QUALIFY THE BELT FOR USE IN AIRCRAFT.
  4. **APPROVED MARKINGS.** The markings which identify a TSO safety belt manufactured in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulations, Part 37, and, therefore, approved for use in aircraft, are as follows on each half of the belt:
    - a. Name and address of the manufacturer.
    - b. Equipment name, or type or model designation.
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- c. Rated strength of the belt.
- d. Date of manufacture. (Serial number may also be marked.)
- e. Applicable Technical Standard Order (TSO) number.



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