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SUBJECT: USE OF OTHER THAN UNITED STATES COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY CHARTS ON PILOT FLIGHT TESTS

- This advisory circular clarifies the requirement governing the use on pilot flight tests of en route and instrument approach charts prepared by other than the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.
- 2. PROBLEM. Subdivision 61.37(c)(3)(iii) of the Federal Aviation Regulations requires an applicant for an instrument rating to perform "a standard instrument approach to authorized IFR weather minimums." The Flight Test Guide - Instrument Pilot Airplane, AC 61-17, states that "the applicant will be required to demonstrate at least one standard instrument approach, as published in the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Instrument Approach Charts." The phrase used in the guide to describe a standard instrument approach is reported to have been misunderstood by examiners and applicants to mean that only Coast and Geodetic Survey charts may be used on pilot flight tests. We have been advised that in some cases pilots trained in the use of one type of chart have found it necessary to familiarize themselves with the Coast and Geodetic Survey charts for their flight tests only.
- 3. INTERPRETATION. Any system of en route, area, and approach charts which accurately depict the IFR procedures involved may be used on instrument rating flight tests.

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