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Alaska Region and FSDO's:



Change to 14 CFR Part 61 Effective Monday, October 28

In response to a petition for rulemaking submitted by the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, the Federal Aviation Administration has changed Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) **section 61.3** (Requirement for certificates, ratings, and authorizations) to require pilots to carry and present photo identification when exercising the privileges of their pilot certificates. The rule changes include:

14 CFR § 61.3(a)(2)

“A person may not act as pilot in command or in any other capacity as a required pilot flight crewmember of a civil aircraft of U.S. registry, unless that person...has a photo identification that is in that person’s physical possession or readily accessible in the aircraft when exercising the privileges of that pilot certificate or authorization....”

14 CFR § 61.3(l)(4)

“...Each person who holds an airman certificate, medical certificate, authorization, or license required by this part must present it and their photo identification as described in paragraph (a)(2) of this section for inspection upon a request from...[a]n authorized representative of the Transportation Security Administration.

Beginning Monday, October 28, all **pilots must comply** with the changes to 14 CFR § 61.3, and **inspectors must** take appropriate remedial action when pilots do not. In order to comply with the new regulations, pilots **must use** any **ONE** of the following forms of photo identification:

- A valid driver’s license issued by a U.S. state, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. territory or possession.
- A valid identification card issued by the Federal government, a state, the District of Columbia, or a territory or possession of the United States.
- A U.S. Armed Forces’ identification card.
- Credentials that authorize access to airport secure areas.
- An official passport.
- Any other identification the FAA accepts.

The new regulations can be viewed at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/arm>; click on the “Recently Published Documents” link.

Any questions should be directed to the General Aviation and Commercial Division, AFS-800, at (202) 267-8212.

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