

§ 25.341

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rigid body motions. The limit loads must be determined for all critical altitudes, weights, and weight distributions as specified in §25.321(b), and all critical speeds within the ranges indicated in §25.341(b)(3).

(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (b)(4) and (5) of this section, the following equation must be used:

$$P_L = P_{L-1g} \pm U_\sigma \bar{A}$$

Where—

P_L = limit load;

P_{L-1g} = steady 1g load for the condition;

$\bar{A}$ = ratio of root-mean-square incremental load for the condition to root-mean-square turbulence velocity; and

U_σ = limit turbulence intensity in true airspeed, specified in paragraph (b)(3) of this section.

(2) Values of $\bar{A}$ must be determined according to the following formula:

$$\bar{A} = \sqrt{\int_0^\infty |H(\Omega)|^2 \Phi(\Omega) d\Omega}$$

Where—

$H(\Omega)$ = the frequency response function, determined by dynamic analysis, that re-

lates the loads in the aircraft structure to the atmospheric turbulence; and

$\Phi(\Omega)$ = normalized power spectral density of atmospheric turbulence given by—

$$\Phi(\Omega) = \frac{L}{\pi} \frac{1 + \frac{8}{3}(1.339\Omega L)^2}{[1 + (1.339\Omega L)^2]^{1/6}}$$

Where—

Ω = reduced frequency, radians per foot; and
 L = scale of turbulence = 2,500 ft.

(3) The limit turbulence intensities, U_σ , in feet per second true airspeed required for compliance with this paragraph are—

(i) At airplane speeds between V_B and V_C :

$$U_\sigma = U_{\sigma ref} F_g$$

Where—

$U_{\sigma ref}$ is the reference turbulence intensity that varies linearly with altitude from 90 fps (TAS) at sea level to 79 fps (TAS) at 24,000 feet and is then constant at 79 fps (TAS) up to the altitude of 60,000 feet.

F_g is the flight profile alleviation factor defined in paragraph (a)(6) of this section;

(ii) At speed V_D : U_σ is equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ the values obtained under paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this section.

(iii) At speeds between V_C and V_D : U_σ is equal to a value obtained by linear interpolation.

(iv) At all speeds, both positive and negative incremental loads due to continuous turbulence must be considered.

(4) When an automatic system affecting the dynamic response of the airplane is included in the analysis, the effects of system non-linearities on loads at the limit load level must be taken into account in a realistic or conservative manner.

(5) If necessary for the assessment of loads on airplanes with significant non-linearities, it must be assumed that the turbulence field has a root-mean-square velocity equal to 40 percent of the U_σ values specified in paragraph (b)(3) of this section. The value of limit load is that load with the same probability of exceedance in the turbulence field as $\bar{A}U_\sigma$ of the same load quantity in a linear approximated model.

(c) *Supplementary gust conditions for wing-mounted engines.* For airplanes equipped with wing-mounted engines, the engine mounts, pylons, and wing supporting structure must be designed