- (2) Scheduled international air services carrying passengers in airplanes having a passenger-seat configuration of more than nine passenger seats, excluding each crewmember seat:
- (3) Nonscheduled international air transportation for compensation or hire in airplanes having a passenger-seat configuration of more than 30 passenger seats, excluding each crewmember seat; or
- (4) Scheduled international air services, or nonscheduled international air transportation for compensation or hire, in airplanes having a payload capacity of more than 7,500 pounds.
- (f) Definitions. (1) International air service, as used in paragraph (e) of this section, means scheduled air service performed in airplanes for the public transport of passengers, mail, or cargo, in which the service passes through the air space over the territory of more than one country.
- (2) International air transportation, as used in paragraph (e) of this section, means air transportation performed in airplanes for the public transport of passengers, mail, or cargo, in which service passes through the air space over the territory of more than one country.
- (g) Expiration date. Each special purpose pilot authorization issued under this section expires—
- (1) 60 calendar months from the month it was issued, unless sooner suspended or revoked;
- (2) When the lease agreement for the aircraft expires or the lessee terminates the employment of the person who holds the special purpose pilot authorization;
- (3) Whenever the person's foreign pilot license has been suspended, revoked, or is no longer valid; or
- (4) When the person no longer meets the medical standards for the issuance of the foreign pilot license.
- (h) Renewal. A person exercising the privileges of a special purpose pilot authorization may apply for a 60-calendar-month extension of that authorization, provided the person—
- (1) Continues to meet the requirements of this section; and
- (2) Surrenders the expired special purpose pilot authorization upon receipt of the new authorization.

(i) Surrender. The holder of a special purpose pilot authorization must surrender the authorization to the Administrator within 7 days after the date the authorization terminates.

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## **Subpart C—Student Pilots**

## § 61.81 Applicability.

This subpart prescribes the requirements for the issuance of student pilot certificates, the conditions under which those certificates are necessary, and the general operating rules and limitations for the holders of those certificates.

## § 61.83 Eligibility requirements for student pilots.

To be eligible for a student pilot certificate, an applicant must:

- (a) Be at least 16 years of age for other than the operation of a glider or balloon.
- (b) Be at least 14 years of age for the operation of a glider or balloon.
- (c) Be able to read, speak, write, and understand the English language. If the applicant is unable to meet one of these requirements due to medical reasons, then the Administrator may place such operating limitations on that applicant's pilot certificate as are necessary for the safe operation of the aircraft.

## § 61.85 Application.

An applicant for a student pilot certificate:

- (a) Must make that application in a form acceptable to the Administrator; and
- (b) Must submit the application to a Flight Standards office, a designated pilot examiner, an airman certification representative associated with a pilot school, a flight instructor, or other person authorized by the Administrator.

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