

New FAA rule would see Drug and Alcohol Testing of Certificated Repair Station Employees Located Outside of the United States

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Federal Aviation Administration 14 CFR Part 120 [Docket No. FAA–2012–1058; Notice No. 24–05] RIN 2120–AK09 Drug and Alcohol Testing of Certificated Repair Station Employees Located Outside of the United States AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT). ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) would require certificated repair stations located outside the territory of the United States whose employees perform safety sensitive maintenance functions on certain air carrier aircraft to obtain and implement a drug and alcohol testing program in accordance with the requirements of the Drug and Alcohol Testing Program published by the FAA and the Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug Testing Programs published by the Department of Transportation.

PDF information link of the NPRM https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-12-07/pdf/2023-26394.pdf

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