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**PART 1-CERTIFICATION, IDENTIFICATION, AND MARKING OF AIRCRAFT  
AND RELATED PRODUCTS**

**Location and Size of Aircraft Nationality and Registration Marks**

Civil Air Regulations Amendment 1-4 published in the Federal Register on January 6, 1961, amended § 1.103(a) of the Civil Air Regulations. This section prescribed standards for the display of identification marks for fixed-wing aircraft. Section 1.103(b) (2), by reference, made the same standards, where appropriate, applicable to rotorcraft. The effect of Amendment 1-4 was to delete unintentionally certain rotorcraft marking requirements.

It was not intended that Amendment 1-4 eliminate standards prescribing the size of rotorcraft identification marks. Accordingly, § 1.103(b) (2) is now being amended to reincorporate therein such standards. In doing so, this amendment removes the requirement that at least a 2-inch margin be provided along each edge. The margin requirement as a practical matter was applicable only to the vertical tail on fixed-wing aircraft and hence inappropriate for rotorcraft.

As this amendment must become effective as soon as possible to insure the continuation of proper identification of rotorcraft, compliance with the notice and public procedure provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act is impracticable and good cause exists for making this amendment effective upon the date of its publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

In consideration of the foregoing, § 1.103(b)(2) of Part 1 of the Civil Air Regulations (14 CFR, Part 1) is hereby amended as follows effective April 18, 1961:

**§ 1.103 Measurement of identification marks.**

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(b) *Rotorcraft.* \* \* \*

(2) *Fuselage or cabin side surfaces.* The identification marks shall be as large as practicable, except that this rule shall not be interpreted as requiring the use of marks exceeding 6 inches in height or permitting the use of marks smaller than 2 inches in height. The letters and numbers of each separate group of identification marks shall be of equal height.

(Secs. 307(c), 313(a), 601; 72 Stat. 749, 752, 775; 49 U.S.C. 1348(c), 1354(a), 1421)

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