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## **Title 14 – Aeronautics and Space**

### **Chapter I – Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation**

#### **Subchapter H – Schools and Other Certificated Agencies**

#### **Part 145 – Repair Stations**

#### **Subpart E – Operating Rules**

#### **§ 145.217 Contract maintenance.**

- (a) A certificated repair station may contract a maintenance function pertaining to an article to an outside source provided—
  - (1) The FAA approves the maintenance function to be contracted to the outside source; and
  - (2) The repair station maintains and makes available to its responsible Flight Standards office, in a format acceptable to the FAA, the following information:
    - (i) The maintenance functions contracted to each outside facility; and
    - (ii) The name of each outside facility to whom the repair station contracts maintenance functions and the type of certificate and ratings, if any, held by each facility.
- (b) A certificated repair station may contract a maintenance function pertaining to an article to a noncertificated person provided—
  - (1) The noncertificated person follows a quality control system equivalent to the system followed by the certificated repair station;
  - (2) The certificated repair station remains directly in charge of the work performed by the noncertificated person; and
  - (3) The certificated repair station verifies, by test and/or inspection, that the work has been performed satisfactorily by the noncertificated person and that the article is airworthy before approving it for return to service.
- (c) A certificated repair station may not provide only approval for return to service of a complete type-certificated product following contract maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alterations.

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