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Acting Administrator of General Services.  
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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

**47 CFR Part 97**

**Amendment of Rules Concerning the Amateur Radio Service to Permit the Acceptance by Any Commission Office of Code Credit Certificates**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.  
**ACTION:** Order (rule amendment).

**SUMMARY:** The Commission amends § 97.25 of its rules regulating the amateur radio service to permit the acceptance by any Commission office of Code Credit Certificates. Certificates are issued to applicants for amateur radio operator licenses who have completed the telegraphy elements of their examinations but fail the written elements. This action is taken to lessen the burden on those applicants who wish to complete the examination at an office other than the one at which the telegraphy portion was taken.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 20, 1979.

**ADDRESS:** Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. J. B. Johnston, Private Radio Bureau, (202) 254-6884.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

In the matter of amendment of §§ 97.3 and 97.25(b) of the Commission's Rules; Order.

Adopted: February 22, 1979.

Released: April 6, 1979.

By the Commission.

1. By an Order released on June 7, 1978, effective June 16, 1978, the Commission amended §§ 0.314, 1.922 and 97.25 of its Rules to provide for the issuance of Amateur Code Credit Certificates by the Engineer in Charge at each of its field offices. Certificates are issued to applicants for amateur radio operator licenses who successfully complete the telegraphy element of their examinations but fail the required-written element. Section 97.25(b) currently provides that upon presentation of the Certificate to the Commission within one year of the date of its issuance, the applicant will be given credit for the telegraphy element at the speed listed. The purpose of the Certificate is to allow an applicant to

receive his/her amateur license upon successful completion of the remaining examination element(s) without having to retake the telegraphy test.

2. Section 97.25(b) currently provides that an Amateur Code Credit Certificate will be honored only at the Commission office which issued it. This restriction was intended to allow Commission personnel to validate the authenticity of certificates presented for credit. However, it has also imposed a hardship on some applicants who wish to complete their examinations at an office other than the one at which they took their telegraphy test. Thus far, there has been no problem with attempts to falsify Certificates. Interim Amateur Permits and Temporary Radio Operator Authorizations may also be presented to gain examination credit toward higher classes of radio operator licenses. These documents are accepted at any Commission office and their authentication at offices other than the issuing one has not been difficult. As it appears that the more restrictive acceptance of Code Credit Certificates is unwarranted, the Commission is herewith amending § 97.25(b) to delete this restriction. Further, in order to formalize and clarify the criteria utilized for the issuance of the Certificate, the Commission now amends § 97.3 to include a definition of "Amateur Code Credit Certificate," and § 97.25(b) to specify the conditions under which such Certificates are issued.

3. As these amendments serve to clarify Commission procedures and to eliminate an unnecessary restriction, the Commission, pursuant to Section 553(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, finds that prior public notice and the receipt of comments are unnecessary. Additionally, in order to expeditiously eliminate any confusion and inconvenience now caused to those taking amateur radio operator examinations, the Commission, pursuant to § 553(b)(3) of the Administrative Procedure Act, finds that it is desirable that these amendments be made effective with less than 30 days notice.

4. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, effective April 20, 1979, that Part 97 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations IS AMENDED as shown below. The authority for this action is found in Sections 4(i) and 303 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. For further information on these Rule changes contact Mr. J. B. Johnston, Personal Radio Branch, FCC, 1919 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20554, Tele: (202) 254-6884.

(Secs. 4, 303, 48 Stat., as amended, 1066, 1082; 47 U.S.C. 154, 303)

Federal Communications Commission.

William J. Tricarico,  
Secretary.

Part 97 of Chapter I of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

In § 97.3, a new paragraph (aa) is added as follows:

**§ 97.3 Definitions.**

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(aa) *Amateur Code Credit Certificate.* A certificate issued to applicants for an amateur operator license evidencing successful completion of a telegraphy examination element.

In § 97.25 paragraph (b) is amended to read as follows:

**§ 97.25 Examination credit.**

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(b) Amateur Code Credit Certificates (FCC Form 845) will be issued by the engineers in Charge of FCC offices to applicants for amateur operator licenses who successfully complete telegraphy examination elements 1(A), 1(B) or 1(C), but who fail the associated written examination element(s). Upon presentation of a properly completed Amateur Code Credit Certificate, the FCC shall give the applicant for an amateur radio operator license examination credit for the code speed listed on the Amateur Code Credit Certificate. An Amateur Code Credit Certificate is valid for a period of one year from the date of its issuance.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Materials Transportation Bureau**

**49 CFR Part 172**

**Label and Placard Colors Corrections**

**AGENCY:** Materials Transportation Bureau, Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Amendment corrections.

**SUMMARY:** This corrects several errors which occurred in the revision of APPENDIX A—HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COLOR TOLERANCE TABLES found in Docket No. HM-151A; Amdt. 172-50, published on February 15, 1979, (44 FR 9756).

**DATES:** The provisions of this rule are effective April 16, 1979.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas A. Crockett, Standards Division, Office of Hazardous Materials Regulation, Washington, D.C. 20590 (phone: 202-426-2075).

In view of the foregoing, Appendix A to Part 172, Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, is amended as follows:

1. The heading of Appendix A and the introductory text preceding Table 1 are revised to read as follows:

**Appendix A—Office of Hazardous Materials Regulation Color Tolerance Charts and Tables**

The following are Munsell notations and Commission Internationale de L'Eclairage (CIE) coordinates which describe the Office of Hazardous Materials Regulation Label and Placard Color Tolerance Charts in Tables 1 and 2, and the CIE coordinates for the color tolerances specified in Table 3. Central colors and tolerances described in Table

2 approximate those described in Table 1 while allowing for differences in production methods and materials used to manufacture labels and placards surfaced with printing inks. Primarily, the color charts based on Table 1 are for label or placard colors applied as opaque coatings such as paint, enamel or plastic, whereas color charts based on Table 2 are intended for use with labels and placards surfaced only with inks.

For labels printed directly on packaging surfaces, Table 3 may be used, although compliance with either Table 1 or Table 2 is sufficient. However, if visual reference indicates that the colors of labels printed directly on package surfaces are outside the Table 1 or 2 tolerances, a spectrophotometer or other instrumentation may be required to insure compliance with Table 3.

2. The heading of Table 1 and the entries under CIE column Y for "Blue" are revised to read as follows:

(49 U.S.C. 1803, 1804, 1808, 49 CFR 1.33.)

**Note.**—The Materials Transportation Bureau has determined that this final rule will not result in a major economic impact under the terms of Executive Order 12044 and DOT implementing procedures (43 FR 9522).

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L. D. Santman,

Director, Materials Transportation Bureau.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

**50 CFR Part 26**

**Public Entry and Use; Special Regulations for the Aleutian Islands National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Special Regulation.

**SUMMARY:** The Director has determined that the opening to public access, use and recreation of the Aleutian Islands National Wildlife Refuge, is compatible with the objectives for which this area was established, and will provide additional recreational opportunity to the public.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** These regulations are effective from April 13, 1979 through March 30, 1980.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Martin, Refuge Manager, Aleutian Islands National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 5251, FPO Seattle, WA. 98791. Telephone (907) 579-8418.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The primary author of this document is John Martin.

The Refuge Recreation Act of 1962 (16 U.S.C. 460K) authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to administer such areas for public recreation as an appropriate incidental or secondary use only to the extent that it is practicable and not inconsistent with the primary objectives for which the area was established. In addition, the Refuge Recreation Act

Table 1.—Specifications for Color Tolerance Charts for Use With Labels and Placards Surfaced With Paint, Lacquer, Enamel, Plastic, Other Opaque Coatings, or Ink

Color/Series	Munsell notations	CIE data for source C		
		Y	x	y
Blue:				
Central color	2.5PB 3.5/10	09.00	.1631	.1744
Purple	4.5PB 3.5/10	09.00	.1796	.1711
Green and vivid	10.0B 3.5/10	09.00	.1557	.1815
Grayish	2.5PB 3.5/8	09.00	.1888	.1964
Vivid	2.5PB 3.5/12	09.00	.1516	.1547
Light	2.5PB 4.0/10	12.00	.1605	.1888
Dark	2.5PB 3.0/10	06.55	.1576	.1600

3. The heading of Table 2 and the entries under the Munsell notation for "Yellow: Dark series" are revised to read as follows:

Table 2.—Specifications for Color Tolerance Charts for Use With Labels and Placards Surfaced With Ink

Color/Series	Munsell notations	CIE data for source C		
		Y	x	y
Yellow:				
Dark series:				
Dark and green-yellow	4.4Y 7.57/9.7	51.82	.4423	.4562
Dark and orange A	3.4Y 7.39/10.4	48.86	.4584	.4590
Dark and orange B	3.5Y 7.41/10.0	49.20	.4517	.4544