



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Flight Standards District Office
1701 Bond Street
Little Rock, AR 72202

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FAA 14 CFR Part 137 Owner/Operators

Dear Arkansas Ag Operators:

During the recent AG Fly-In's held in McGehee, Carlisle, and Newport, inspectors from the Little Rock FSDO noticed a trend related to aircraft documentation. Specifically documents required to be on board the aircraft while performing Part 137 operations. Per CFR Part 137.33(a), **a copy of the Agricultural Aircraft Operator Certificate must be carried on-board the aircraft while operating in Part 137 operations.** The Aircraft Registration and Airworthiness Certificate with limitations are not required to be on board, but must be located at the base where dispensing operations are conducted.

Should you have a need to ferry the aircraft, you would then be operating the aircraft in a Part 91 operation and per CFR Part 91.203 requiring you to have; **(1) An appropriate and current airworthiness certificate with limitations,** and **(2) An effective U.S. registration certificate issued to its owner** on board the aircraft. Copies of the aircraft registration and airworthiness certificates are not allowed.

While the weather turned out to dampen the participation level this year, we really appreciate the effort and cooperation from all; it is a pleasure to work with professionals!

Long hours and increased temperatures are just around the corner...Please remember Density Altitude and Fuel Exhaustion were the primary causes of Ag accidents last year here in Arkansas...Take just a second to think and double check before you advance the throttle!!!

This letter is being sent out by the FAA Safety Team (FAASTeam) in an effort to remind Ag operators of the documentation requirements of CFR 137.33(a)(b) and 91.203. Should you have any questions that we can assist you with please feel free to contact the FAASTeam or your Principal Inspector @ 501-918-4400.

Sincerely,

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