

Information and Regulatory Affairs,
Office of Management and Budget, 725
17th Street, NW., Washington, DC
20503, Attention: BTS Desk Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Consensus Standards, Standard Practice for Inspection of Airplane Electrical Wiring Systems

AGENCY: Federal Aviation
Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request
for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the
availability of consensus standards and
the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)
intention to accept the ASTM
International's F2696-08 Standard
Practice for Inspection of Airplane
Electrical Wiring Systems (Standard
Practice) as an acceptable means of
compliance to 14 CFR part 23 sections
concerning electrical wiring systems. By
this notice, the FAA finds the standards
to be acceptable methods and
procedures for inspection of electrical
wiring systems for normal, utility,
acrobatic, and commuter category
airplanes.

DATES: Comments must be received on
or before November 22, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed
to: Federal Aviation Administration,
Small Airplane Directorate, Continued
Operational Safety, ACE-111, Attention:
James Brady, Room 301, 901 Locust,
Kansas City, Missouri 64106, or by
e-mail to: james.brady@faa.gov. All
comments must be marked: Consensus
Standards Comments, and must specify
the standard being addressed by ASTM
F2696-08 Standard Practice for
Inspection of Airplane Electrical Wiring
Systems.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This
notice announces the availability of
consensus standards. The FAA expects
a suitable consensus standard to be
reviewed at least every two years. The
two-year review cycle will result in a
standard revision or reapproval. A
standard is issued under a fixed
designation (*i.e.*, F2696-08); the number
immediately following the designation
indicates the year of original adoption
or, in the case of revision, the year of
last revision. A number in parentheses
indicates the year of last reapproval. A
reapproval indicates a two-year review
cycle completed with no technical
changes. A superscript epsilon (ε)
indicates an editorial change since the
last revision or reapproval. A notice of
availability (NOA) will only be issued
for new or revised standards.
Reapproved standards issued with no
technical changes or standards issued
with editorial changes only (*i.e.*,
superscript epsilon (ε)) are considered
accepted by the FAA without need for
an NOA.

Comments Invited: Interested persons
are invited to submit such written data,
views, or arguments, as they may desire.
Communications should identify the
consensus standard number and be
submitted to the address specified
above. All communications received on
or before the closing date for comments
will be forwarded to ASTM
International Committee F39 for
consideration. The standard may be
changed in light of the comments
received. The FAA will address all
comments received during the recurring
review of the consensus standard and
will participate in the consensus
standard revision process.

Background: Under the provisions of
the revised Office of Management and
Budget (OMB) Circular A-119, "Federal
Participation in the Development and
Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards
and in Conformity Assessment
Activities," dated February 10, 1998,
industry and the FAA have been
working with ASTM International to
develop consensus standards for the
design, fabrication, modification,
inspection, and maintenance of
electrical systems installed on normal
and utility category airplanes.

These consensus standards satisfy the
FAA's goal for airworthiness
certification and a verifiable minimum
safety level for normal, utility, acrobatic,
and commuter category airplanes.
Instead of developing airworthiness
standards through the rulemaking
process, the FAA participates as a
member of Committee F39 in
developing these standards. The use of
the consensus standard process assures

government and industry discussion
and agreement on appropriate standards
for the required level of safety.

Consensus Standards in This Notice of Availability

The FAA has reviewed the standards
presented in this NOA for compliance
with the regulatory requirements of the
rule. Any normal, utility, acrobatic, and
commuter aircraft issued an
airworthiness certificate, which has
been designed, manufactured, operated,
and maintained, in accordance with this
and previously accepted ASTM
consensus standards provides the public
with the appropriate level of safety
established under the regulations. The
FAA maintains a listing of all accepted
standards on the FAA Web site.

The FAA finds the following new
consensus standards acceptable for
inspection of the specified aircraft. The
consensus standard listed below may be
used unless the FAA publishes a
specific notification otherwise.

ASTM Designation F2696-08, titled:
Standard Practice for Inspection of
Airplane Electrical Wiring Systems.

Availability

These consensus standards are
copyrighted by ASTM International, 100
Barr Harbor Drive, Post Office Box C700,
West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959.
Individual reprints of this standard
(single or multiple copies, or special
compilations and other related technical
information) may be obtained by
contacting ASTM at this address, or at
(610) 832-9585 (phone), (610) 832-9555
(fax), through service@astm.org (e-mail),
or through the ASTM Web site at
<http://www.astm.org>. To inquire about
standard content and/or membership or
about ASTM International Offices
abroad, contact Daniel Schultz, Staff
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and Utility Category Airplane Electrical
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