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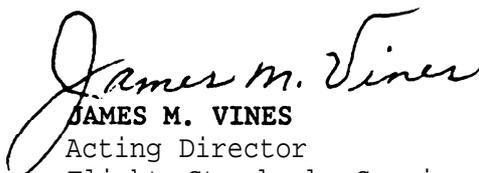
# ADVISORY CIRCULAR

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

SUBJECT: MARKING OF **TSO-C72b** INDIVIDUAL FLOTATION DEVICES

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1. PURPOSE. This circular outlines acceptable methods for marking individual flotation devices which also serve as seat cushions.
2. CANCELLATION. Advisory Circular **20-56**, dated **1/19/68**, is cancelled.
3. REFERENCE REGULATIONS. Technical Standard Order **C72b**, Federal Aviation Regulations **25.1415(e)** and **121.340(a)**.
4. DISCUSSION. One type of individual flotation device consists of a basic cushion with a muslin cover contained in an upholstery slipcover. Straps are attached to the upholstery slipcover by which the user retains the device in the water. The **TSO** marking, which includes the date of manufacture, is either attached to this slipcover, the basic device, or the muslin cover.
5. ACCEPTABLE MEANS OF COMPLIANCE. In the case of **TSO-C72b** individual flotation devices with removable slipcovers such as described above, the **TSO** marking may be applied to the muslin cover or basic device itself, with a notation identifying the type of cover with **which** it used or the **TSO** marking may be applied directly to the upholstery slipcover.

  
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