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Advisory Circular

Subject: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY: FAA-S-SOS 1-17, PRIVATE PILOT PRACTICAL TEST STANDARDS FOR LIGHTER-THAN-AIR (BALLOON/AIRSHIP)	Date: 5/15/96 Initiated by: AFS-630	AC No: 61-124 Change:
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1. PURPOSE. This advisory circular announces the availability of FAA-S-8081-17, Private Pilot Practical Test Standards for Lighter-Than-Air (Balloon/Airship), and provides information on obtaining printed copies or electronic access of this document.

2. BACKGROUND. Previous editions of the Private Pilot Practical Test Standards have incorporated all aircraft categories in one book. The first category to be issued separately was the airplane, followed by the rotorcraft. FAA-S-808 1- 17 presents the lighter-than-air (balloon/airship) practical test standards. The glider practical test standards will be revised and published as a separate book.

3. GENERAL. The Private Pilot Practical Test Standards for Lighter-Than-Air (Balloon/Airship) has been published by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to establish the standards for private pilot certification practical tests for the lighter-than-air category, balloon and airship classes. FAA inspectors and designated examiners shall conduct practical tests in compliance with these standards. Instructors and applicants should find these standards helpful during training and when preparing for the practical test. This practical test book replaces ONLY the lighter-than-air (balloon/airship) portion of FAA-S-808 1- 1 A, Private Pilot Practical Test Standards, dated November 1987.

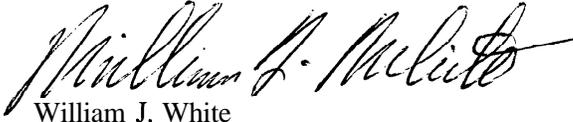
4. HOW TO ORDER PRINTED COPIES. Printed copies of FAA-S-8081-17 may be obtained from:

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Title: Private Pilot Practical Test Standards for Lighter-Than-Air (Balloon/Airship)
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5. HOW TO OBTAIN ELECTRONICALLY. FAA-S-SOS 1-17 may be accessed on FedWorld through the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce; (703) 321-3339, 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. For technical assistance regarding computer software and modem requirements for this service, contact the FedWorld help desk at (703) 487-4223 from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. EDT, Monday through Friday. Refer to AC 60-26, Announcement of Availability: Flight Standards Service Airman Testing and Training Information, for further information concerning FedWorld access.



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