

PART VI.—Airworthiness.

49. Standard of airworthiness.—A certificate of airworthiness may be issued by the Central Government in respect of any flying machine which complies with minimum standards of airworthiness prescribed in the United Kingdom in respect of design, materials, methods of construction and equipment, and the owner of a flying machine in respect of which a certificate of airworthiness is required by these rules, or is applied for or issued, shall submit such evidence relating thereto and shall submit to such inspection and tests of the flying machine as may be required by the Central Government :

Provided that the Central Government may, in respect of any flying machine or class of flying machines, from time to time prescribe modifications of the standard and such modified standard shall be complied with as a condition of the issue or remaining in force of a certificate of airworthiness in respect of the flying machine or class of flying machines.

50. Acceptance of foreign standards.—The Central Government may, in respect of any flying machine, accept as evidence of compliance with the conditions of rule 49 a valid certificate of airworthiness issued by the competent authorities in any other part of His Majesty's dominions or in any foreign country, provided it is shown to its satisfaction that the conditions on which such certificate of airworthiness was granted are substantially equivalent to the conditions on which a certificate of airworthiness is granted by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

51. Categories and sub-divisions.—A certificate of airworthiness may be issued in respect of one or more of the categories and sub-divisions of flying machines specified in Section A of Schedule III and the operations of the flying machine shall be restricted to those authorized for the categories to which the certificate of airworthiness extends.

52. Instruments and equipment—minimum.—A certificate of airworthiness shall not be granted in respect of any flying machine which is not equipped with the following instruments and equipment, which shall be in working order, namely :—

Air speed indicator.

Altimeter.

Revolution indicator.

Such gauges as may be considered necessary by the Central Government for the particular installation.

For acrobatic category.—Safety harness for the pilot.

For normal category.—Safety belt or safety harness for the pilot.

Indicator of position of landing wheels (in amphibian flying machine and in flying machines fitted with a retractable under-carriage).