

CHAPTER 61

RULES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF PILOTAGE

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N.J.S.A. 12:8-2.

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R.1993 d.385, effective August 2, 1993.
See: 24 N.J.R. 3477(a), 25 N.J.R. 3534(a).

7:61-2.1 Purpose

It is the purpose of this subchapter to reduce the possibility of marine disasters such as collisions and pollution causing oil spills in the waters of New Jersey extending from the Upper and Lower New York bays and the adjoining rivers, channels, ports and harbors southward to include the bays, rivers, harbors or ports extending to Atlantic City, by setting out rules governing the piloting of foreign vessels and United States vessels sailing under register and by ensuring that the state-licensed pilots charged with this responsibility are qualified by high levels of training and experience.

7:61-2.2 Scope

This subchapter prescribes the necessary qualifications and application procedures for persons wishing to be admitted to the apprenticeship program for Sandy Hook pilots, the general outline of the required apprenticeship program and licensure examination procedures.

7:61-2.3 Definitions

The following words and terms, as used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

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“Sandy Hook Pilots’ Association” shall mean and include the United New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots’ Benevolent Association and the United New Jersey Sandy Hook Pilots’ Association.

7:61-2.4 Number of apprentices

The number of Sandy Hook pilot apprentices shall be set by the Commissioners after consultation with the Sandy Hook Pilots’ Association and the New York Board of Pilot Commissioners. The number shall be set so as to assure the sufficiency of the number of licensed Sandy Hook pilots necessary to safely, properly and adequately pilot ships into or out of the ports of New Jersey and New York.

7:61-2.5 Qualifications of applicants for apprenticeship

(a) A person wishing to be registered with the Commissioners as an apprentice shall present satisfactory evidence that he or she:

1. Is not less than 18 years of age;
2. Is of good moral character;
3. Is in good health, has a minimum uncorrected visual acuity of at least 20/50 in each eye, correctable to 20/20 in each eye, is able to satisfactorily pass one of the following tests for color perception without the use of color sensing lenses: Pseudoisochromatic Plates (Dvorine, 2nd Edition; AOC; revised edition or AOC-HRR; Ishihara 16-, 24-, or 38-plate editions); Eldridge-Green Color Perception Lantern; Farnsworth Lantern; Keystone Orthoscope; Keystone Telebinocular; SAMCTT (School of Aviation Medicine Color Threshold Tester); Titmus Optical Vision Tester; or Williams Lantern, and in general has the physical ability to perform the rigorous duties of a Sandy Hook Pilot;
4. Is the holder of a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university at the time of registration as an apprentice; and
5. Has an ability to speak and understand English.

(b) Applicants shall be screened through an independent testing and review process and the results submitted to a selection board appointed by the Commissioners and consisting of one New Jersey Commissioner, one member of the Board of Commissioners of Pilots of the State of New York as may be designated by the respective Boards of Commissioners, two New Jersey licensed Sandy Hook Pilots and two New York licensed Sandy Hook Pilots as nominated by the respective state Sandy Hook pilots’ associations. The availability of openings for applicant apprentices shall receive the widest dissemination by advertisement in area newspaper of general circulation and in appropriate trade journals. These requirements are designed to ensure that all who apply do so on an equal footing, and that those selected have the greatest ability, temperament and aptitude to be a ship’s pilot.

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(d) After selection and Board registration, the apprentice shall become an employee of the Sandy Hook Pilots’ Association subject to the Association by-laws and rules of employment.

(e) Appropriate application and testing fees will be required from all applicants for apprentice selection in an amount sufficient to cover administrative costs and testing fees. Application forms and information concerning the apprenticeship program and application procedures may be obtained from the Sandy Hook Pilots Association, 201 Edgewater Street, Staten Island, New York. At least three months prior to any scheduled examination date notice of the scheduled examination date shall be published as set out in (b) above.

(f) The Board shall retain a list of 10 applicants in order of preference as determined by the selection board. Such list shall be retained for a period of two years from the date it is approved by the selection board and, if during that period, it is determined that an additional apprentice is needed the Board shall select an applicant from that list in order of ranking on said list. If a selected applicant refuses registration or is unable to meet the requirements of apprenticeship at the time of registration, the Board shall select the applicant ranked next on the list. Upon subsequent selection(s) of applicants from the ranked list, any applicant who was deemed ineligible to meet the requirements of registration at the time of the last selection shall be selected if he or she now satisfies the requirements for registration. If, however, a selected applicant refuses registration, such applicant will be deleted from the ranked list and will not be considered upon subsequent selection(s).

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“*BreathScan*” means a portable breathalyzer with the trade name *BreathScan* found suitable by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration as a first line test for breath alcohol concentration quantification or its equivalent.

“Chemical drug test” means a scientifically recognized test which analyzes an individual’s breath, blood, urine, for evidence of dangerous drug or alcohol use.

“Controlled substance” means a controlled substance listed in schedules I through V of 21 U.S.C. 812.

“Conviction” means a finding of guilt (including a plea of *nolo contendere*) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or state criminal drug statutes.

“Criminal drug statute” means any Federal or state criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use or possession of any controlled substance or drug.

“Dangerous drug” means a narcotic drug, controlled substance and/or marijuana as defined in 21 U.S.C. 802 including substances listed in Schedules I through V of 21 U.S.C. 812.

“Directly involved” means issuing or failing to issue an order, or taking an action or failing to take an action which is determined to be, or cannot be ruled out as, a causative factor in the events leading to or causing an incident or in exacerbating or aggravating the severity of an incident.

“Discharge” means any intentional or unintentional action or omission resulting in the releasing, spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying or dumping of a hazardous substance into the waters or onto the lands of the State, or into waters outside the jurisdiction of the State when damage may result to the lands, waters or natural resources within the jurisdiction of the State.

“Fails a chemical drug test for drugs” means the test result is reported as positive for the presence of dangerous drugs or drug metabolites in an individual’s system after a medical review officer’s review.

“Hazardous substance” means a hazardous substance as defined by N.J.S.A. 58:10-23.11b.

“Intoxicant” as used throughout 46 C.F.R. part 16 and 49 C.F.R. part 40 means any form of alcohol, dangerous drug, or combination thereof.

“Intoxicated” as used throughout N.J.S.A. 12:8-1 et seq. means to have a positive alcohol test.

“Medical Review Officer” means a licensed physician designated by the Association to carry out the duties specified in this subchapter and who meets the qualifications of 49 CFR 40.33(b).

“On duty” means any time period during which a pilot or apprentice is engaged in pilotage operations or related duties.

“Pass a chemical drug test” means not to test positive for the presence of a dangerous drug or drug metabolites in an individual’s system after a Medical Review Officer’s review.

“Pilot” means a person duly licensed by the Commissioners as a pilot in New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 12:8-1 et seq.

“Pilot operations” means to navigate, steer, direct, manage, or sail a vessel, or to control, monitor, or maintain the vessel’s main or auxiliary equipment or systems. Operation includes:

1. Determining the vessel’s position, piloting, directing the vessel along a desired trackline, keeping account of the vessel’s progress through the water, ordering or executing changes in course, rudder position, or speed, and maintaining a lookout;
2. Controlling, operating, monitoring, maintaining, or testing: the vessel’s propulsion and steering systems; electric power generators; bilge, ballast, fire, and cargo pumps; deck machinery including winches; windlasses, and lifting equipment; lifesaving equipment and appliances; firefighting systems and equipment; and navigation and communication equipment; and
3. Mooring, anchoring, and line handling, loading or discharging of cargo or fuel; assembling or disassembling of tows; and maintaining the vessel’s stability and watertight integrity.

“Positive alcohol test” means a blood alcohol concentration of .04 percent or greater as measured by grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood, or grams of alcohol per 210 liters of breath.

“President of the Association” means the duly elected or appointed President of the Association.

“Subject to being called on duty” means any time period during which a pilot or apprentice is required to be available to be called “on duty” by the Association.

“User of dangerous drugs” means an individual who fails a test for dangerous drugs.

“Workplace” means any location at which pilotage or related duties are performed, including, but not limited to, vessels, motor vehicles, offices or government facilities.

7:61-3.4 Prohibitions

(a) No pilot or apprentice shall:

1. Except as set forth in N.J.A.C. 7:61-3.5, use, possess, manufacture, distribute, sell or dispense dangerous drugs at any time whether on duty or off duty;

2. Consume alcohol either while on duty or while subject to being called on duty or during the four hour period prior to being on duty or subject to being called on duty;

3. Be intoxicated by having a blood alcohol concentration of .04 percent or greater either while on duty or while subject to being called on duty or during the four hour period prior to either being on duty or subject to being called on duty;

4. Fail to cooperate with any aspect of the specimen collection or chemical drug testing program set forth in this subchapter; or

5. Violate any other provision of this subchapter.

(b) Any pilot or apprentice who violates (a) above shall be subject to penalties, including suspension or license revocation, as set forth in this subchapter.

7:61-3.5 Use of prescribed dangerous drugs

(a) Possession and/or use of dangerous drugs by a pilot or apprentice may be permitted if specifically prescribed by a licensed physician; provided that the dangerous drug is being used at the prescribed dosage and is in the original container clearly labeled with the Pilot or apprentice's name, the name of the drug, and the prescribing physician's Federal Drug Enforcement Administration number, and that prior to the possession or use by the pilot or apprentice of the dangerous drug:

1. The Medical Review Officer (MRO) is provided with a written, sworn certification by the pilot or apprentice that:

i. The pilot or apprentice described his or her assigned duties to the prescribing physician before the drug was prescribed, and furnished the physician with a written official description of his or her duties provided by the Board, and that the prescribing physician advised the pilot or apprentice that use of the prescribed dangerous drug at the prescribed dosage is consistent with the safe performance of the pilot or apprentice's duties;

ii. The drug is in its original container clearly labeled with the pilot or apprentice's name, the name of the drug, and the prescribing physician's Federal Drug Enforcement Administration number; and

iii. The drug will be used at the dosage prescribed; and

2. The MRO has determined that use of the drug at the prescribed dosage is consistent with the safe performance of the pilot or apprentice's duties. The MRO shall inform the pilot or apprentice of his or her approval or disapproval of the use of the prescribed drug within 24 hours after receipt of the written, sworn certification of the pilot or apprentice.

7:61-3.6 Implied consent; cooperation with collection and testing

(a) Pilots or apprentices required to be tested for dangerous drugs and/or alcohol pursuant to this subchapter shall provide complete, valid, undiluted, unadulterated breath, urine or blood samples as requested pursuant to this subchapter; shall supply all information requested by the laboratory; and shall otherwise cooperate with all collection and testing procedures implemented pursuant to this subchapter.

(b) If a pilot or apprentice fails to comply or cooperate with any collection or testing procedure pursuant to this subchapter, or with collection site personnel, the Association shall be notified. The Association shall immediately inform the Board of any failure to comply or cooperate.

(c) As provided in this subchapter, failure to comply or cooperate with any collection or testing procedures implemented pursuant to this subchapter shall subject a pilot or apprentice to penalties, including suspension and/or license revocation, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 12:8-19.

7:61-3.7 Pre-registration testing

(a) The Board shall not enter on its books nor shall the Association employ an individual as an apprentice unless the individual passes a chemical drug test for dangerous drugs.

(b) The specific date of such chemical drug tests for dangerous drugs shall be unannounced, but shall occur within the month prior to the registration. Notice of the specific date of chemical drug test for dangerous drugs shall be provided only so far in advance as is necessary to ensure the individual's presence at the time and place set for testing.

7:61-3.8 Random testing

(a) The Association shall establish a program for the chemical drug testing of pilots and apprentices for dangerous drugs on a random basis.

(b) Random selection of pilots and apprentices means that every member of the population of pilots and apprentices has an equal chance of selection on a statistically valid basis. The testing frequency and selection process shall be such that pilot or apprentice's chance of selection continues to exist throughout a pilot's membership or an apprentice's employment. Therefore, pilots or apprentices randomly tested will remain in the pool of persons subject to testing even after the individual has been tested.

(c) A random test may be required on any day which a pilot or apprentice is subject to being called on duty or is on duty. Notice of a pilot or apprentice's selection for testing shall be provided only to the extent as is necessary to ensure the individual's presence at the time and place set for testing.

(d) The Association shall ensure that pilots and apprentices are tested on a random basis at an annual rate of not less than 50 percent of the total number of pilots and apprentices in the pool of Sandy Hook pilots and apprentices during each calendar year.

7:61-3.9 Reasonable belief testing

(a) The Association shall require any pilot or apprentice who is reasonably believed to have used or be using a dangerous drug and alcohol to submit to a chemical drug test for dangerous drugs and alcohol.

(b) The Association's decision to test must be based on a reasonable and articulable belief that the pilot or apprentice has used or is using a dangerous drug or alcohol based on direct observation of specific, contemporaneous physical, behavioral, or performance indicators of probable use. Where practicable, this belief should be based on the observation of the pilot or apprentice by two pilots licensed by the State of New Jersey or licensed by the State of New York (Sandy Hook pilots).

(c) The Sandy Hook pilots who entertain the reasonable belief shall immediately notify the President or member of the Executive Committee of the Association. The President or member of the Executive Committee of the Association shall direct the pilot or apprentice to undergo a chemical drug test for dangerous drugs and alcohol as soon as practicable, but not more than eight hours after the Sandy Hook pilots notify the President or member of the Executive Committee of the Association of their reasonable belief.

(d) In all cases where an individual is required to be tested based upon a reasonable belief pursuant to (a) above, a written report shall be made, setting forth the facts upon which the reasonable belief is based, including the specific, contemporaneous physical, behavioral, or performance indicators of probable dangerous drug or alcohol use. The report shall be signed by the Sandy Hook pilots who had the reasonable belief, and by the President or member of the Executive Committee of the Association. This report shall be submitted to the Board within 72 hours of the administering of the chemical drug test for dangerous drugs and alcohol.

(e) Any pilot or apprentice required to undergo reasonable belief testing shall be prohibited from engaging in pilotage operations pending the outcome of the tests. The pilot or apprentice shall be returned to normal duties if the tests are negative.

7:61-3.10 Post-incident testing

(a) A pilot or apprentice shall submit to a post-incident chemical drug test for dangerous drugs and alcohol if he or she is directly involved in an incident which results or is likely to result in:

1. Property damage exceeding \$10,000;

2. An injury to any person requiring professional medical treatment beyond first aid; or

3. A discharge of a hazardous substance into the waters or onto the lands of the State, or into waters outside the jurisdiction of the State when damage may result to the lands, waters or natural resources within the jurisdiction of the State.

(b) The President or member of the Executive Committee of the Association shall direct any pilot or apprentice directly involved in the incident to report for the chemical drug test for dangerous drugs and alcohol as soon as practicable, but not more than eight hours after the incident.

(c) Any pilot or apprentice required to undergo post-incident testing shall be prohibited from engaging in pilotage operations pending of outcome of the tests. The pilot or apprentice shall be returned to normal duties if the tests are negative.

7:61-3.11 Drug testing procedures

(a) This subchapter incorporates by reference the Federal procedures for transportation workplace drug testing programs set forth at 49 CFR Part 40 regarding the preparation for drug testing, specimen collection and laboratory analysis. All drug testing required pursuant to this subchapter will be done by urinalysis. The Federal regulations must be consulted to determine the specific procedures which must be established and utilized by the Association in carrying out its drug testing program. Generally, the Federal regulations provide: that the privacy of the pilot or apprentice is maintained during specimen collection while ensuring the integrity of the specimen; that only laboratories using qualified personnel and which are certified by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services are to be used; and that laboratories are following quality assurance and quality control procedures.

1. Preparation for testing and specimen collection shall be conducted in accordance with 49 CFR 40.23 and 40.25.

2. The testing laboratory personnel shall meet all requirements at 49 CFR 40.27.

3. The testing laboratory analysis procedures shall be those required by 49 CFR 40.29.

4. The testing laboratory quality assurance and quality control procedures and standards shall be those required by 49 CFR 40.31.

5. The testing laboratory shall meet all requirements at 49 CFR 40.39.

7:61-3.12 Alcohol testing procedures

(a) Chemical drug testing for alcohol shall be conducted by a two-step process. Initial screening shall be performed by using a portable breathalyzer, the *BreathScan* or its equivalent.

(b) The *BreathScan* units are manufactured to show a full color change at the 0.04% blood alcohol level (BAC) level.

(c) The *BreathScan* screening will be performed by personnel employed by the drug testing facility with which the Association contracts pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:61-3.18.

(d) The testing by the *BreathScan* units and maintenance of the *BreathScan* units will be conducted according to the manufacturer's instructions included with each unit.

(e) A color change in the testing unit indicating a BAC level above or at the 0.04 percent level will require follow-up chemical drug testing in order to confirm the precise alcohol level. The President or a member of the Executive Committee of the Association shall direct any pilot or apprentice screening positive to report for a blood test for alcohol as soon as practicable, but not more than one hour after the initial screening. The blood sample will be collected, tested and reported under chain of custody procedures by qualified, trained personnel employed by the drug testing facility with which the Association contracts pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:61-3.18.

(f) A pilot or apprentice will be deemed to have tested positive for alcohol if the confirming blood test shows a level of 0.04 percent or above for grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood.

7:61-3.13 Medical Review Officer—verification and reporting of positive test results

(a) The Association shall designate a Medical Review Officer (MRO) meeting the qualifications of 49 CFR 40.27. The MRO shall review all chemical drug test results for dangerous drugs or alcohol reported by the laboratory as positive and shall verify that the laboratory reports of the results are reasonable and shall examine alternate medical explanations for positive test results.

(b) The MRO shall promptly contact all individuals with positive test results and shall, prior to reporting the test as positive to the Association and the Board, provide the individual with an opportunity to discuss the test results.

(c) If the MRO determines that the test is false-positive or if the MRO determines that the test results are scientifically insufficient for further action, the test shall be reported as negative.

(d) The MRO shall report all verified positive test results and indicate the dangerous drugs and/or alcohol for which there was a verified positive test to the President of the Association within 48 hours of their verification by the MRO.

(e) The President of the Association shall, within 48 hours after receipt of the MRO's report, provide a written report of all verified positive test results and indicate the drugs and/or alcohol for which there was a verified positive test to the Board.

7:61-3.14 Protection of employee records

(a) The laboratory performing chemical drug testing pursuant to this subchapter shall report the test results only to the MRO.

(b) The MRO shall maintain the confidentiality of the chemical drug test results and report only verified positive test results and the drugs and/or alcohol for which there was a verified positive test to the Association and/or the Board.

(c) The Association and the Board shall maintain the confidentiality of the chemical drug test results and release information regarding verified positive tests only in the context of a hearing before the Board or in a lawsuit, grievance or other proceeding arising from a verified positive chemical drug test.

(d) The laboratory shall disclose information related to a positive chemical drug test of an individual only to the individual, the Association, the Board or decisionmaker in a lawsuit, grievance, or other proceeding arising from a verified positive chemical drug test.

(e) Any pilot or apprentice who is the subject of a chemical drug test conducted under this subchapter shall, upon written request, have access to any records relating to his or her chemical drug test.

7:61-3.15 Notice to Board of criminal or Coast Guard charges and convictions

(a) All apprentices and pilots shall notify the President of the Association in writing within 24 hours or prior to reporting on duty, whichever event occurs first, after being formally charged with a violation and/or being convicted under:

1. Any Federal or state criminal drug statute;
2. Any United States Coast Guard regulation pertaining to the use or possession of drugs or alcohol; or
3. Any motor vehicle statute for driving while under the influence or driving while intoxicated.

(b) Within 48 hours after receipt of written notification of conviction, the Association shall provide written notification of such conviction to the Board.

(c) The Association shall require any pilot or apprentice who tests positive for dangerous drugs or alcohol in a test required by any Federal or state statute or regulation, including a motor vehicle statute, to submit to a chemical drug test for dangerous drugs at the pilot's or apprentice's expense within 48 hours of such positive test and to be subject to increased, unannounced chemical drug testing for dangerous drugs and/or alcohol at the pilot's or apprentice's expense for a period as determined by the Board of up to 24 months.

Amended by R.1994 d.449, effective September 6, 1994.
See: 26 N.J.R. 2238(a), 26 N.J.R. 3715(a).

7:61-3.16 Suspension or revocation of license/appointment

(a) Any pilot who is intoxicated while on duty or subject to being called on duty shall immediately be prohibited from engaging in pilotage operations and shall, after opportunity for a hearing:

1. For the first offense:
 - i. Forfeit the pilotage fee for the pilotage operations performed while intoxicated;
 - ii. Be suspended from duty for six months; and
 - iii. Pay a penalty of \$50.00; and
2. For the second offense, have his or her license permanently revoked.

(b) Any apprentice who is intoxicated while on duty or subject to being called on duty shall immediately be prohibited from engaging in pilotage operations and shall, after opportunity for a hearing, have his or her registration permanently revoked.

(c) Any pilot or apprentice who fails to comply or cooperate with specimen collection and/or chemical drug testing; or who tests positive on a chemical drug test required pursuant to this subchapter or a chemical drug test required pursuant to a Federal statute or regulations, including 46 C.F.R. part 16; or who is convicted under a Federal or state criminal drug statute or for a second conviction under any state motor vehicle statute for driving while under the influence or driving while intoxicated; or who violates any other provision of the subchapter, shall immediately be prohibited from engaging in pilotage operations and shall, after opportunity for a hearing, have his or her license/registration permanently revoked unless there are extenuating circumstances which, in the discretion of the Board, justify only the suspension of his or her license/registration.

(d) Any pilot or apprentice who was prohibited from engaging in pilotage operations pending a hearing before the Board and who is not suspended or who does not have his or her license/registration revoked following his or her hearing before the Board shall be returned to normal duties and shall receive retroactive pay for the period during which he or she was prohibited from engaging in pilotage operations.

(e) Any pilot or apprentice who is suspended from duty pursuant to (a), (b) and/or (c) above must pass a chemical drug test for dangerous drugs and alcohol prior to reinstatement. The specific date of such test shall be unannounced, but shall occur within the month prior to reinstatement. Notice of the specific date of such test shall be provided only so far in advance as is necessary to ensure the individual's presence at the time and place set for testing. In addition, the pilot or apprentice shall be subject to in-

creased, unannounced chemical drug testing for dangerous drugs and alcohol at the pilot's or apprentice's expense for a period as determined by the MRO of up to 60 months.

Amended by R.1994 d.449, effective September 6, 1994.
See: 26 N.J.R. 2238(a), 26 N.J.R. 3715(a).

Case Notes

Pilot's license properly revoked due to positive cocaine test. NJDEPE v. Scudlo, 96 N.J.A.R.2d (EPE) 27.

7:61-3.17 Hearings and appeals

(a) Hearings conducted for violations of this subchapter and the imposition of penalties shall be conducted before the Board or if the Board so directs shall be referred to the Office of Administrative Law pursuant to the procedures at N.J.A.C. 1:1.

(b) Notice of hearing, time and place of hearing, alleged violation(s) and possible penalties to be imposed shall be in writing. This written notice of hearing must be received by the alleged violator, either by personal service or by certified mail sent to his or her usual place of abode, at least 15 calendar days prior to the date of the hearing.

7:61-3.18 Responsibilities of the Association

(a) After consultation with and approval by the Board, the Association shall promptly enter into an agreement(s) or contract(s) with a testing facility and an MRO for the performance of the tests and duties required by this subchapter.

(b) It shall be the responsibility of the Association, except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, to pay for the tests required by this subchapter and the fees of the MRO.

(c) It shall be the responsibility of the Association to direct the pilots and apprentices to present themselves at the time and place for the test(s) required by this subchapter.

(d) The contract(s) or agreement(s) between the Association and the laboratory selected to do the testing and the MRO shall provide that the laboratory and MRO shall cooperate with the Board and shall comply with the requirements of this subchapter including maintaining the confidentiality of test results, providing reports, providing documents and providing competent witnesses for hearings.

(e) This subchapter shall not in any way limit the authority of the Board to suspend or revoke the license of any pilot or terminate any apprenticeship as authorized by any other regulations of the Board or the laws of the State of New Jersey.

(f) The Association shall submit a copy of its proposed procedures implementing this subchapter and copies of the proposed agreement(s) or contract(s) between the Associa-

tion and the organization designated to conduct the testing and MRO to the Board for review and approval.

(g) This subchapter shall not in any way preclude other drug or alcohol testing required or authorized by any state or Federal statute or regulation.

(h) At each regular meeting of the Board, the President of the Association shall report the number of random chemical drug tests performed pursuant to the requirements of this subchapter, a summary of the number of verified positive tests and negative tests and the dangerous drugs which have been identified in the verified positive tests.

(i) In the event the President of the Association is unable to perform the duties imposed upon him or her by this subchapter they may be performed by a member of the Executive Committee of the Association.

7:61-3.19 Incorporation by reference

(a) Any reference in this subchapter to any of the documents or sources listed in (c) below shall be deemed to incorporate such document or source by reference.

(b) Any future supplements or amendments to any of the documents or sources incorporated by reference into this subchapter will not be incorporated in this subchapter or become operative in New Jersey unless the Board proposes an amendment to this subchapter, and will provide opportunity for public comment on such proposed amendment, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq.

(c) The following documents and sources are incorporated by reference within this subchapter:

1. United States Code, Title 21, Parts 802 and 812;
2. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 1301-1316; and
3. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49, Part 40, Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug Testing Programs, Sections 40.23, 40.25, 40.27, 40.29, 40.31 and 40.39.