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## FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY

### 5 CFR Part 2424

#### Negotiability Proceedings; Correction

**AGENCY:** Federal Labor Relations Authority.

**ACTION:** Correcting amendment.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Labor Relations Authority is correcting its regulations regarding negotiability proceedings.

**DATES:** Effective October 18, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas Tso at [ttso@flra.gov](mailto:ttso@flra.gov) or at (771) 444-5779.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In FR Doc. 2023-19269, appearing in the **Federal Register** of Tuesday, September 12, 2023, on page 62445, instruction 10 revised paragraphs (a) through (c) of § 2424.25, but regulatory text was set out for paragraphs (a) through (d). The revision of paragraph (d) wasn't incorporated into the CFR because it wasn't included in the instruction. This correcting amendment revises paragraph (d) of § 2424.25.

#### List of Subjects in 5 CFR Part 2424

Administrative practice and procedure, Government employees, Labor management relations.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, the Federal Labor Relations Authority corrects 5 CFR part 2424 by making the following correcting amendment:

### PART 2424—NEGOTIABILITY PROCEEDINGS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 2424 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 7134.

■ 2. Amend § 2424.25 by revising paragraph (d) to read as follows:

#### § 2424.25 Response of the exclusive representative; purpose; time limits; content; severance; service.

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(d) *Severance.* The exclusive representative may, of its own accord, accomplish the severance of a previously submitted proposal or provision. To accomplish severance, the exclusive representative must identify the proposal or provision that the exclusive representative is severing and set forth the exact wording of the newly severed portion(s). Further, as part of the exclusive representative's explanation and argument about why the newly severed portion(s) are within the duty to bargain or not contrary to law, the exclusive representative must explain how the severed portion(s) stand alone with independent meaning, and how the severed portion(s) would operate. The explanation and argument in support of the severed portion(s) must meet the same requirements for specific information set forth in paragraph (c) of this section, and must satisfy the exclusive representative's burdens under § 2424.32.

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Dated: October 13, 2023.

**Rebecca J. Osborne,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Federal Crop Insurance Corporation

#### 7 CFR Parts 407 and 457

[Docket ID FCIC-23-0006]

RIN 0563-AC83

#### Transparency in Policy Cancellations

**AGENCY:** Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Final rule; technical amendment; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) is making a technical amendment to its regulations by clarifying that an Approved Insurance Provider (AIP) may only cancel a crop insurance policy (policy) with express written consent from FCIC.

This requirement is already binding in the Standard Reinsurance Agreement (SRA), which establishes the terms under which FCIC provides reinsurance and subsidies on eligible crop insurance policies sold by AIPs. By adding the same conditions to the regulation as are in the policy between the AIP and the producer, it provides greater transparency to producers about the existing rights in their policy. The changes to the crop insurance policies resulting from the amendments in this rule are applicable for the 2024 and succeeding crop years for crops with a contract change date on or after November 30, 2023. For all other crops, the changes to the crop insurance policies made in this rule are applicable for the 2025 and succeeding crop years.

#### DATES:

*Effective date:* This final rule is effective November 30, 2023.

*Comment date:* We will consider comments that we receive by the close of business December 18, 2023. FCIC will consider the comments received and may conduct additional rulemaking in the future based on the comments.

**ADDRESSES:** We invite you to submit comments on this rule. You may submit comments by going through the Federal eRulemaking Portal as follows:

• *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID FCIC-23-0006. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

All comments will be posted without change and will be publicly available on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Francie Tolle; telephone (816) 926-7829; or email [francie.tolle@usda.gov](mailto:francie.tolle@usda.gov). Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice) or (844) 433-2774 (toll-free nationwide).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) administers the FCIC regulations. FCIC serves America's agricultural producers through effective, market-based risk management tools to strengthen the economic stability of agricultural producers and rural communities. The AIPs sell and service Federal crop insurance policies in every State through a public-private partnership.

SRA is a cooperative financial assistance agreement between FCIC and an AIP. AIPs are bound by the SRA terms in administering Federal crop insurance policies with insured producers. FCIC is making a technical amendment for a conforming change in the regulations for consistency with an SRA requirement.

In this rule, FCIC amends the Area Risk Protection Insurance (ARPI) Basic Provisions (7 CFR part 407) and the Common Crop Insurance Policy (CCIP) Basic Provisions (7 CFR 457.8). The technical amendments made by this rule are applicable for the 2024 and succeeding crop years for crops with a contract change date on or after November 30, 2023. For all other crops, the changes to the policy made in this rule are applicable for the 2025 and succeeding crop years.

FCIC is clarifying that an AIP may only cancel a policy with express written consent from FCIC in the CCIP and ARPI Basic Provisions. The SRA prohibits any AIP from cancelling an eligible crop insurance policy held by a producer so long as the producer remains eligible and the AIP continues to write eligible crop insurance contracts within the State, except as authorized by FCIC. However, language in the regulations for ARPI and CCIP Basic Provisions requires a conforming change to be clear so that insured producers will be fully aware of their protection from unauthorized AIP cancellations, which already exists in the SRA terms.

The language in the ARPI and CCIP Basic Provisions only specified the deadline for cancellations (that is, by the cancellation date), but did not specify any allowable conditions for cancellation.

FCIC is making conforming changes in the regulations for ARPI and CCIP Basic Provisions to be consistent with existing SRA terms regarding the policy cancellation requirements to be transparent for the producer.

**Clarity of the Regulation**

Executive Order 12866, as supplemented by Executive Order 13563, requires each agency to write all rules in plain language. In addition to your substantive comments on this rule, we invite your comments on how to make the rule easier to understand. For example:

- Are the requirements in the rule clearly stated? Are the scope and intent of the rule clear?
- Does the rule contain technical language or jargon that is not clear?
- Is the material logically organized?

- Would changing the grouping or order of sections or adding headings make the rule easier to understand?
- Could we improve clarity by adding tables, lists, or diagrams?
- Would more, but shorter, sections be better? Are there specific sections that are too long or confusing?
- What else could we do to make the rule easier to understand?

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**List of Subjects**

*7 CFR Part 407*

Acreage allotments, Administrative practice and procedure, Barley, Corn, Cotton, Crop insurance, Peanuts, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Sorghum, Soybeans, Wheat.

*7 CFR Part 457*

Acreage allotments, Crop insurance, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, FCIC amends 7 CFR parts 407 and 457, effective for the 2024 and succeeding crop years for crops with a contract change date on or after November 30, 2023, and for the 2025 and succeeding crop years for all other crops, as follows:

**PART 407—AREA RISK PROTECTION INSURANCE REGULATIONS**

- 1. The authority citation for part 407 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 1506(l) and 1506(o).

- 2. In § 407.9, section 2, revise paragraph (i) to read as follows:

**§ 407.9 Area Risk Protection Insurance Regulations.**

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2. Life of Policy, Cancellation, and Termination

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- (i) You may cancel this policy after the initial crop year by providing written notice to us on or before the cancellation date shown in the Crop Provisions. We may cancel this policy with express written consent from FCIC.

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**PART 457—COMMON CROP INSURANCE REGULATIONS**

- 3. The authority citation for part 457 is revised to read as follows:

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 1506(l) and 1506(o).

- 4. In § 457.8, section 2, revise paragraph (d) to read as follows:

**§ 457.8 The application and policy.**

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2. Life of Policy, Cancellation, and Termination

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- (d) You may cancel this policy after the initial crop year by providing written notice to us on or before the cancellation date shown in the Crop

Provisions. We may cancel this policy with express written consent from FCIC.  
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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**14 CFR Part 39**

[Docket No. FAA-2023-1503; Project Identifier AD-2023-00197-A; Amendment 39-22566; AD 2023-20-07]

RIN 2120-AA64

**Airworthiness Directives; Epic Aircraft, LLC Airplanes**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is adopting a new airworthiness directive (AD) for certain Epic Aircraft, LLC Model E1000 airplanes. This AD was prompted by improperly rigged flap position switches. This AD requires installing a secondary full position limit switch to the flap system, installing a switch ramp on the flap actuator, and modifying the take-off position switch rigging. The FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

**DATES:** This AD is effective November 22, 2023.

The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of a certain publication listed in this AD as of November 22, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:**

*AD Docket:* You may examine the AD docket at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA-2023-1503; or in person at Docket Operations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The AD docket contains this final rule, any comments received, and other information. The address for Docket Operations is U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket

Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

*Material Incorporated by Reference:*

- For service information identified in this final rule, contact Epic Aircraft, LLC, 22590 Nelson Road, Bend, OR 97701; phone: (541) 639-4603; email: *info@epicaircraft.com*; website: *epicaircraft.com*.

- You may view this service information at the FAA, Airworthiness Products Section, Operational Safety Branch, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106. For information on the availability of this material at the FAA, call (817) 222-5110. It is also available at *regulations.gov* under Docket No. FAA-2023-1503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Anthony Caldejon, Aviation Safety Engineer, FAA, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, CA 90712; phone: (206) 231-3534; email: *anthony.v.caldejon@faa.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

The FAA issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to amend 14 CFR part 39 by adding an AD that would apply to certain Epic Aircraft, LLC Model E1000 airplanes. The NPRM published in the **Federal Register** on July 21, 2023 (88 FR 47084). The NPRM was prompted by a report that during a production ground test, the flap position switches were not properly rigged and allowed the actuator to travel beyond the commanded flaps' full (fully extended) position. The flap actuator could overrun the flaps' fully extended position if the full position microswitch is either missing or not rigged properly, resulting in an uncertified flap configuration. This condition, if not addressed, could result in loss of control of the airplane.

In the NPRM, the FAA proposed to require installing a secondary full position limit switch to the flap system, installing a switch ramp on the flap actuator, and modifying the take-off position switch rigging.

The FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products.

**Discussion of Final Airworthiness Directive**

**Comments**

The FAA received no comments on the NPRM or on the determination of the costs.

**Conclusion**

The FAA reviewed the relevant data and determined that air safety requires adopting this AD as proposed. Accordingly, the FAA is issuing this AD to address the unsafe condition on these products. This AD is adopted as proposed in the NPRM.

**Related Service Information Under 14 CFR Part 51**

The FAA reviewed Epic Aircraft Service Bulletin SB-0034, Revision B, issued December 22, 2022. This service information specifies procedures for installing a secondary full position limit switch to the flap system to prevent over-travel. This service information also specifies procedures for installing a switch ramp on the flap actuator to improve reliability and modifying the take-off position switch rigging. In addition, this service information specifies procedures for checking the flap-to-wing clearances, adjusting clearances as needed, and contacting Epic Aircraft if clearance and travel limits cannot be met. This service information is reasonably available because the interested parties have access to it through their normal course of business or by the means identified in **ADDRESSES**.

**Differences Between This AD and the Service Information**

The service information specifies contacting the manufacturer if the clearance and travel limits are exceeded during the check of the flap-to-wing clearances, but this AD does not require that action. This AD requires adjusting the flap-to-wing clearances until they do not exceed the specified travel limits.

**Costs of Compliance**

The FAA estimates that this AD affects 29 airplanes of U.S. registry.

The FAA estimates the following costs to comply with this AD:

**ESTIMATED COSTS**

Action	Labor cost	Parts cost	Cost per product	Cost on U.S. operators
Install a secondary full position limit switch to the flap system.	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	\$587	\$672	\$19,488
Install a switch ramp on the flap actuator .....	1 work-hour × \$85 per hour = \$85	54	139	4,031
Modify rigging .....	4 work-hours × \$85 per hour = \$340.	0	340	9,860