

How to verify the accuracy of the Airworthiness Certificate, the Registration, and the Radio License

First, you should go to: <http://aircraft.faa.gov/e.gov/nd/> to order the complete set of records on file for the aircraft you are interested in.

Airworthiness Certificate

FAA Form 8100-2, Standard Airworthiness Certificate.

The Standard Airworthiness Certificate, is issued for aircraft type certificated in the normal, utility, acrobatic, and transport categories or for manned free balloons. An explanation of each item in the certificate follows: [Figure 2-14]

Item 1. Nationality—The “N” indicates the aircraft is of United States registry. Registration Marks—the number, in this case 12345, is the registration number assigned to the aircraft.

Item 2—Indicates the make and model of the aircraft.

Item 3—Indicates the serial number assigned to the aircraft, as noted on the aircraft data plate

If Items 1, 2, and 3 match up with the aircraft you should be good to go.

If not, changes to the Airworthiness Certificate are handled through your **local Flight Standards District Office. (FSDO)**

Registration

The Certificate of Aircraft Registration will expire when:

- The aircraft is registered under the laws of a foreign country.
- The registration of the aircraft is canceled at the written request of the holder of the certificate.
- The aircraft is totally destroyed or scrapped.
- The ownership of the aircraft is transferred.
- The holder of the certificate loses United States citizenship.
- Thirty days have elapsed since the death of the holder of the certificate.

Aircraft Registration must also be renewed every 3 years now.

When the aircraft is destroyed, scrapped, or sold, the previous owner must notify the FAA by filling in the back of the Certificate of Aircraft Registration, and mailing it to the FAA Civil Aviation Registry.

A dealer's aircraft registration certificate is another form of registration certificate, but it is valid only for required flight tests by the manufacturer or in flights that are necessary for the sale of the aircraft by the manufacturer or a dealer. It must be removed by the dealer when the aircraft is sold.

The FAA does not issue any certificate of ownership or endorse any information with respect to ownership on a Certificate of Aircraft Registration.

Let's imagine we are looking at a Cessna 150M (on Barnstormers now). The Registration number is N66423. Go to the following website and enter the N-number.

http://www.faa.gov/licenses_certificates/aircraft_certification/aircraft_registry/

You get:

FAA REGISTRY

N-Number Inquiry Results

N66423 is Assigned

No Re-Registration Application found waiting to be processed. If you mailed one, it may have already been processed. Please check the "Expiration Date" field below. If the date has been renewed, you should receive a new certificate in the next few days. If the date has not been renewed, we may not have received an application or there may be a problem with your application. For additional information, you may contact the Registry at 9-AMC-AFS750-Aircraft@faa.gov or by phone at 1-866-762-9434. The Registry is currently processing documents received on September 5, 2012.

[Click here to check the status of another N-Number](#)

Data Updated each Federal Working Day at Midnight



Aircraft Description

Serial Number	15076037	Status	Valid
Manufacturer	CESSNA	Certificate Issue	08/25/2009

Name		Date	
Model	150M	Expiration Date	01/31/2015
Type Aircraft	Fixed Wing Single-Engine	Type Engine	4 Cycle
Pending Number Change	None	Dealer	No
Date Change Authorized	None	Mode S Code (base 8 / octal)	52142717
MFR Year	1974	Mode S Code (base 16 / hex)	A8C5CF
Type Registration	Individual	Fractional Owner	NO

Registered Owner

Name	LOEB DOUGLAS B	State	WASHINGTON
Street	20 W GARFIELD ST	Zip Code	98119-3031
City	SEATTLE		
County	KING		
Country	UNITED STATES		

Airworthiness

Engine Manufacturer	CONT MOTOR	Classification	Standard
Engine Model	0-200 SERIES	Category	Utility
		A/W Date	09/05/1974

The information contained in this record should be the most current Airworthiness information available in the historical aircraft record. However, this data alone does not provide the basis for a determination regarding the airworthiness of an aircraft or the current aircraft configuration. For specific information, you may request a copy of the aircraft record at <http://aircraft.faa.gov/e.gov/ND/airrecordsND.asp>

If what you find matches the registration on the aircraft you are checking, the registration should be good to go.

Radio License

You must obtain an FCC Aircraft Radio Station License if you make international flights or communicate with foreign stations. If you are not required to obtain a license - you do not need to file this form with the FCC.

Use: <http://transition.fcc.gov/Forms/Form605/605c.pdf> or the current FCC forms to get your license to be legal internationally.

This is not a big deal because it is not required for domestic only flights and is not a part of airworthiness.