

§ 4b.329 Control system details; general. All details of control systems shall be designed and installed to prevent jamming, chafing, and interference from cargo, passengers, and loose objects. Precautionary means shall be provided in the cockpit to prevent the entry of foreign objects into places where they would jam the control systems. Provisions shall be made to prevent the slapping of cables or tubes against other parts of the airplane. The following detail requirements shall be applicable with respect to cable systems and joints.

(a) Cable systems. (1) Cables, cable fittings, turnbuckles, splices, and pulleys shall be of an approved type.

(2) Cables smaller than 1/8 inch diameter shall not be used in the aileron, elevator, or rudder systems.

(3) The design of cable systems shall be such that there will be no hazardous change in cable tension throughout the range of travel under operating conditions and temperature variations.

(4) Pulley types and sizes shall correspond with the cables used.

(5) All pulleys and sprockets shall be provided with closely fitted guards to prevent the cables and chains being displaced or fouled.

(6) Pulleys shall lie in the plane passing through the cable within such limits that the cable does not rub against the pulley flange.

(7) Fairleads shall be so installed that they do not cause a change in cable direction of more than 3°.

(8) Clevis pins (excluding those not subject to load or motion) retained only by cotter pins shall not be used in the control system.

(9) Turnbuckles attached to parts having angular motion shall be installed to prevent positively any binding throughout the range of travel.

(10) Provision for visual inspection shall be made at all fairleads, pulleys, terminals, and turnbuckles.

(b) Joints. (1) Control system joints subjected to angular motion in push-pull systems, excepting bail and roller bearing systems, shall incorporate a special factor of not less than 3.33 with respect to the ultimate bearing strength of the softest material used as a bearing.

(2) It shall be acceptable to reduce the factor specified in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph to a value of 2.0 for joints in cable control systems.

(3) The approved rating of ball and roller bearings shall not be exceeded.