

Intertek Airport Lighting Equipment Certification Program



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Intertek Airport Lighting Equipment Certification

Certification Program covers all equipment specified in the FAA AC 150/5345 series:

- Rotating Beacons
- Obstruction Lights
- Wind Cones
- Isolation Transformers
- Taxiway / Runway Inpavement Lights
- Retroreflective Markers
- Cable Connectors
- Underground Cable
- Runway & Taxiway Signs
- Portable Runway Lights
- Light Bases
- Constant Current Regulators
- Precision Approach Path Indicators (PAPI)
- Runway End Identification Lights (REIL)





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FAA AC 150/5345-53D

- Third Party Certifier Acceptance Criteria
 - Section 5
- Third Party Certifier Application (every 4 years)
 - Section 6
 - Background as a certification body
 - Competency verification (accreditations)
 - Resumes of related staff
 - Copy of procedural guide and license agreement



Intertek FAA AC 150/5345-53D

GENERAL OUTLINE

- Manufacturer submits certification request via AL-2 application form
- Qualification testing
- Documentation submittal and engineering review
- Initial manufacturing facility audit
- License Agreement
- Certificate issued and product listed in 53D Addendum
- Manufacturer audited 2 times per year after certified
- Certification process covered under ANSI accreditation to ISO Guide 65



Intertek AL-2 Request for Certification (continued)

Required Product Documentation listed in section 6 of AL-2

- Section & part drawings
- Assembly drawings and schematics
- BOM with mfg name/catalogue numbers
- Statement of Warranty
- Instruction/installation/operating manual
- Product Description sheet (marketing)
- AL-2B Lamp Life form





Intertek AL-2 Request for Certification (continued) Statement of Warranty

FAA AC 150/5345-53D, Appendix 2, section 5.a.iv

- 1 year from installation / 2 years from shipment
- "...defects in design, materials, workmanship"





Intertek AL-2 Request for Certification (continued)

Statement of Warranty

FAA AC 150/5345-44K (runway and taxiway signs) section 5.2 2 years from installation "...defects in materials or workmanship" FAA EB67D (all LED products except obstruction lighting) section 4.0 4 years from installation inclusive of all electronics

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Qualification Testing

FAA AC 150/5345-53D, Appendix 2, section 5.c.i

Must be done IAW ISO 17025

At Intertek – covered under A2LA accreditation

Outside of Intertek – covered by audit and witness

- Test Plan Review and Acceptance
- Assignment to Intertek Representative
- Formal Report issued by Manufacturer



Intertek Semi-annual Inspections

- 1st visit each year
 - AL-7 Audit (follows basic ISO quality assurance requirements)
 - Management Commitment to quality system
 - Control of Procured Material
 - Manufacturing Quality Controls
 - Final Inspection and Testing
 - production tests from applicable FAA ACs
 - Equipment Calibration and Maintenance
 - Control of Non-conforming Material
 - Corrective Action Program
 - Handling, Packaging and Storage
 - Product Identification
 - Periodic Product Qualification
 - Collection and Analysis of Field Performance Data



Intertek Semi-annual Inspections

- 2nd visit each year
- Product Checklist(s)
 - Construction review using the applicable FAA ACs
 - Compare with units that were tested during qualification
 - Exam units directly from production

- Production Testing Requirements
 - As required in the applicable ACs





Current Program Status

- 61 Program Participants
- 73 Licensed Manufacturing Facilities

Certificates issued since the Fall meeting:

- ➤ 53 new and 8 year re-qualification
- > 19 revised





FAA AC 150/5345-43H – Specification for Obstruction Lighting Equipment

Posted – December 18, 2015

Deadline for comments was January 17, 2016



Intertek DRAFT SPECIFICATIONS

BACKGROUND:

FAA AC 70/7460-1L – Obstruction Marking and Lighting

Issued on December 4, 2015

AJR-33 – Airspace and Rules Group (responsible)

AJV-15 – Obstructions Evaluation Group (Initiated by)

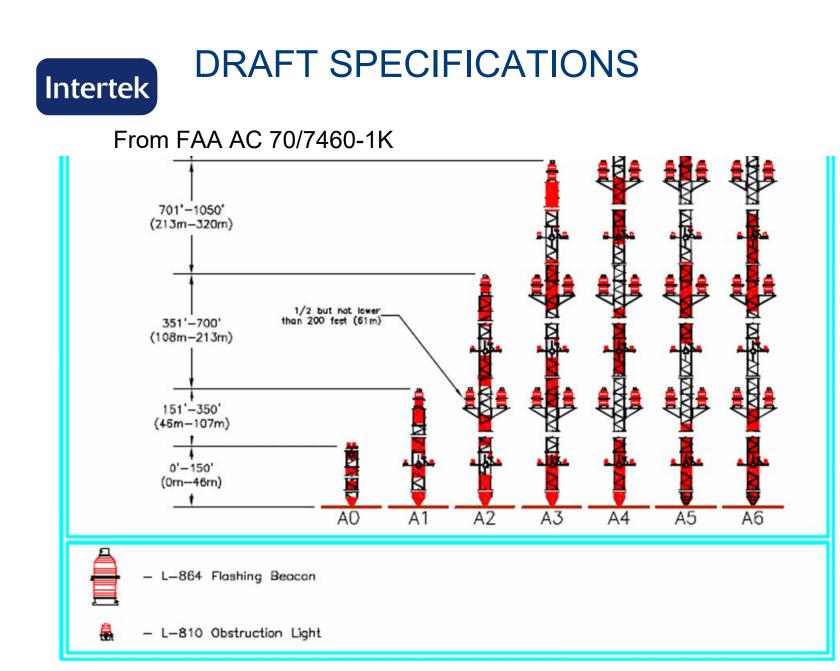
Principal changes

Aircraft Detection Lighting Systems

Flashing L-810 for some applications

Reduced number of steady L-810s

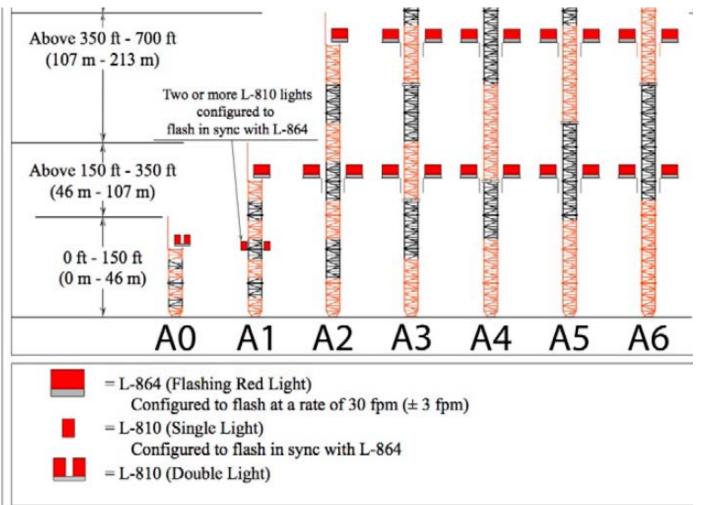




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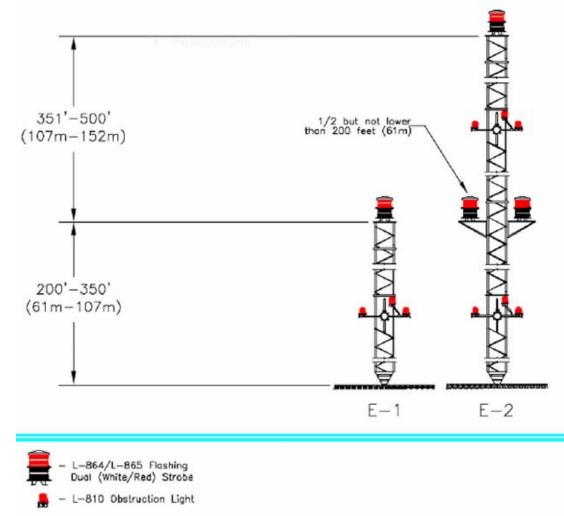
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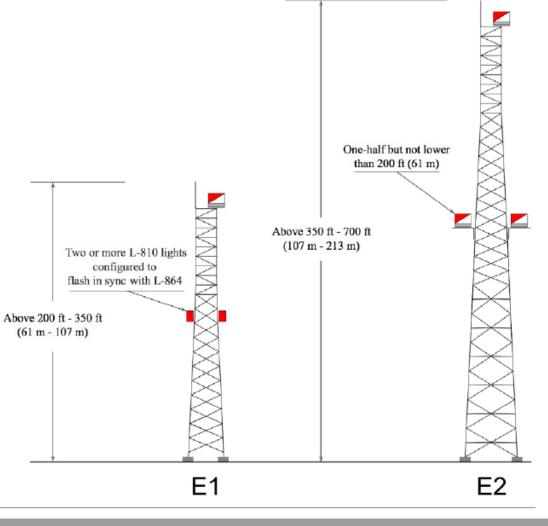
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Intertek DRAFT SPECIFICATIONS

FAA AC 150/5345-43H DRAFT:

Principal Changes:

• Addition of flashing L-810(F) configuration

"Effective intensity"

Certification is tied to a specific controller

30fpm

100 to 1333ms flash duration

- Change of L-864 flash rate and duration
- New L-865 and L-864/865 cable lengths to be considered for 700' towers (must be tested)





FAA AC 150/5345-46E -- Specification for Runway and Taxiway Light Fixtures

Issued – March 2, 2016

FAA AC 150/5345-42H—Specification for Airport Light Bases, Transformer Housings, Junction Boxes and Accessories

Issued – November 6, 2015





Background:

Previously, elevated light baseplates were certified as part of the light since the requirements were found in FAA AC 150/5345-46D.

Baseplates did not have their own "L" designation like other similar equipment found in FAA AC 150/5345-42G.

When elevated lights were certified, they were done so with a particular baseplate.



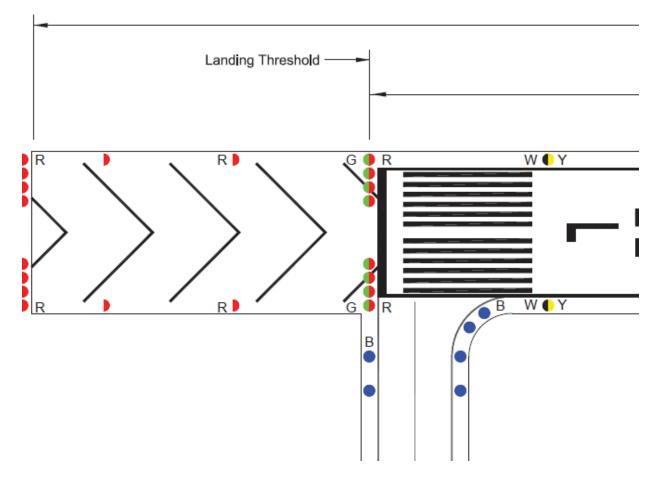


- 1.2.1 Uni-directional red L-850D and L-862E are now allowed in order to be consistent with FAA AC 150/5340-30H.
- 1.2.1 All possible color combinations were added for L-852D to address possible variants required by FAA AC 150/5340-30H.





FAA AC 150/5340-30H Figure 11:



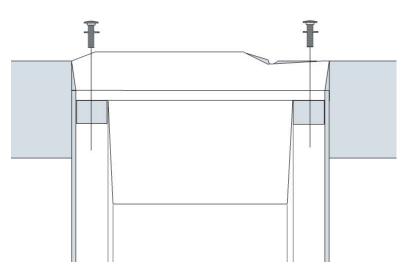
FAA AC 150/5345-46E:

- Table 1, note h The restricted use note was removed related to L-852T.
 - The note previously limited the use of inset taxiway edge lights to "where elevated lights may be damaged by jet blast or where they interfere with aircraft operations. Manufacturers must advise potential users of this fact before providing these lights or tag them to that effect."



FAA AC 150/5345-46E:

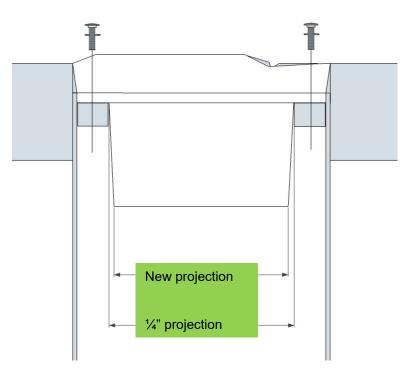
- 3.4.1.2.d The diameter tolerance of the ¼ inch projection was removed.
 - Was 0.050" to 0.060" less than the base flange nominal ID
 - Was 9.94"-9.95" for 12 fixtures.







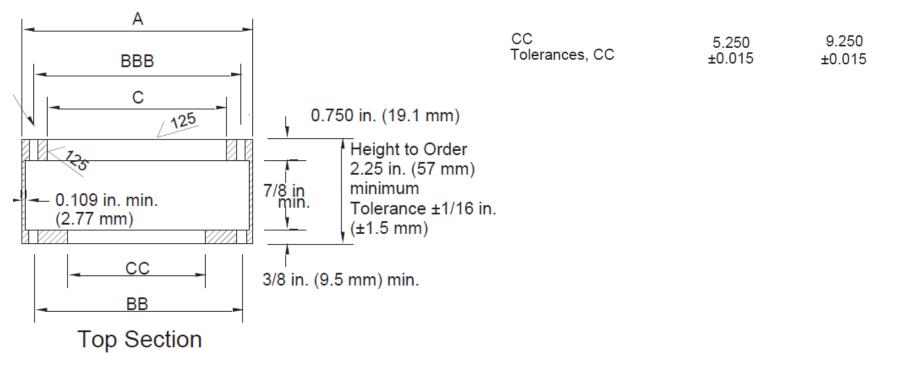
• 3.4.1.2.e – New diameter requirement is added for the projection that is below the 1/4 inch projection.





FAA AC 150/5345-46E:

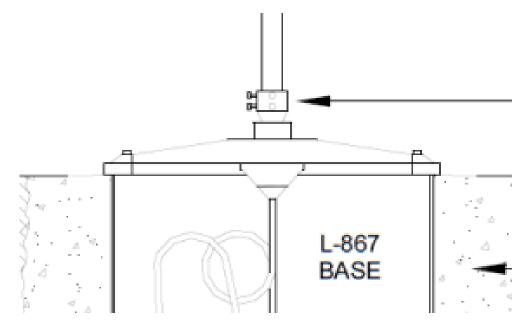
- Must be sized to fit multiple section base or extension.
- 0.060" less than the flange IDs (tolerance or min??)
- 8" fixtures??



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- 3.4.2.1.a(1) The yield point height was clarified.
 - Now 1.5" above the threaded interface instead of 1.5" above grade.
 - FAA AC 150/5340-30H specifies 3" above grade.







- 3.7.1.b The 18" lead length requirement was removed.
- 3.7.1.c The certification of the L-823 is now required.



FAA AC 150/5345-46E:

 3.9i – All elevated and inpavement lights must include the proper lug or connector for grounding.

FAA AC 150/5340-30H:

12.7 – Light Fixture Bonding:

"Fixture must be bonded to the light base ground lug via a #6 AWG stranded copper wire rated for 600V with green XHHW insulation or a braided ground strap of equivalent current rating."

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BEAB



- 4.3.1.1.a Narrow-beam definition was changed to accommodate the L-861SE green.
 - +/-15 degrees instead of +/-10

 4.3.1.2.a – The wide beam width definition was changed to be consistent with 4.3.1.1.a.





Table 2. Photometric Requirements for Directional Elevated Lights.

	N	linimum	Beam Co	verage (D	Intensity (candelas) (b)				
		Main	beam (e)	10 percent (e)					
Туре	Not	Η	V	Η	V	White	Yellow	Green	Red
	es								
L-804	(f)	±8	±8	±25	±25		3,000 (g)		
L-861E	(d)	±1.5	3.5 to 5.5					300	
	(d)	±3	1.5 to 7.5					180	
	(d)	±5	0 to 9					90	10
L-861SE	(a)	±15	2 to 10	±20	-3 to 15			600	
	(d)	±5	0 to 9						20
L-862	(a)	-2 to 9	0 to 7	-4 to 11	-2.5 to 9.5	10,000	5,000	2,500	2,000
	(c)								
L-862E	(a)	±6	0.2 to 4.7	±7.5	-2.5 to 7.5				2,500
	(a)	-2 to 9	1 to 10					3,200	
L-862S	(d)	±7	±4	± 14	±8				2,000
									(g)



- 4.5.1.2.a The shock test now applies to all inpavement lights except for L-852T.
- 4.5.1.2.b(3) The acceptance criteria was expanded to address momentary outage of LED fixtures.



FAA AC 150/5345-42H:

L-894 – Elevated Light Cover

L-895 – Elevated Light Stake Mounting





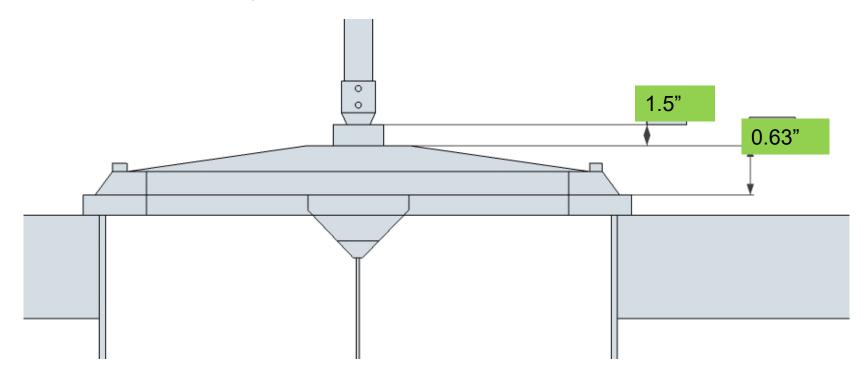
FAA AC 150/5345-42H:

• L-894 – Elevated Light Cover

requirement	paragraph	notes		
General - must be metal	3.1.3.5.2			
L-867 interface	3.2.3.1			
max height of 0.63	3.2.3.1	from top of the light base plate bolt circle ??		
frangible threads	3.2.3.1.1	1.5"-12UNF or 2" NPT/NPS		
thread depth max of 0.88"	3.2.3.1.1			
1/8" Gasket	3.2.3.1.2			
transformer receptacle mounting	3.2.3.1.3			
drainage through mounting	3.2.3.1.3			
compressive load	3.2.3.1.4	2500 pounds		
bending moment - L-804 (2500ftlbs)	3.2.3.1.4			
bending moment - L-861/862 (700ftlbs)	3.2.3.1.4	use must be restricted		
Ground connections	3.2.3.1.5	for #6AWG or ground braid		
Color and finish	3.2.3.1.6	FED-STD-595 Yellow color number 13538		

FAA AC 150/5345-42H:

• L-894 – Elevated Light Cover







FAA AC 150/5345-42H:

L-895 – Elevated Light Stake Mounting

requirement	paragraph	notes
2X2X3/16" angle stock	3.2.3.2	
must receive frangible	3.2.3.2.1	1.5"-12UNF or 2" NPT/NPS
transformer receptacle mounting	3.2.3.2.2	
drainage through mounting	3.2.3.2.2	
standard length of 30"	3.2.3.2.3	
Grounding clamp	3.2.3.2.4	for #6AWG
protective coating per 3.2.8	3.2.3.2.5	galvanizing







