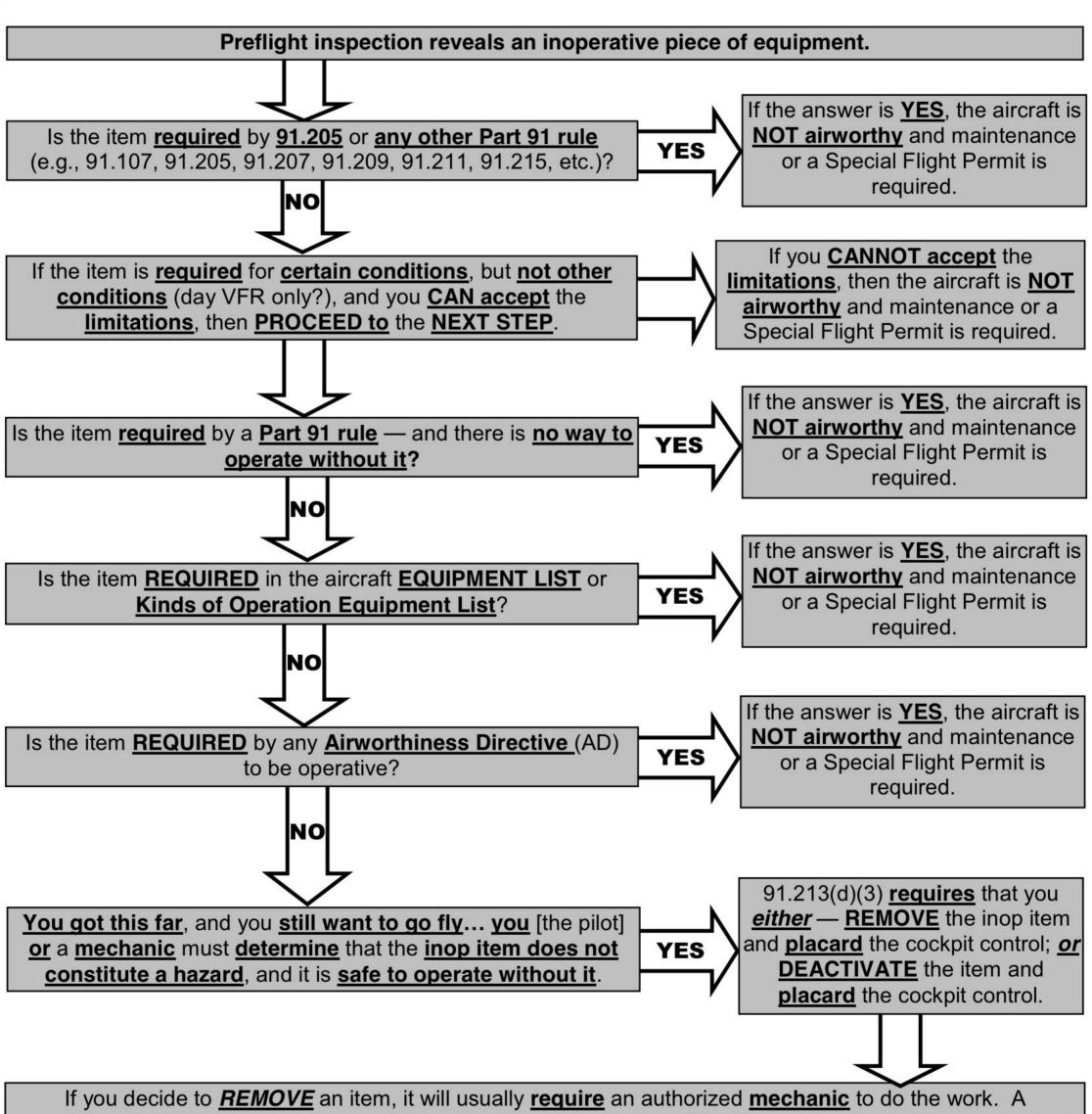
Operating WITHOUT a Minimum Equipment List: (AC 91-67)

MEL RESTRICTIONS — Operators of <u>SMALL</u> rotorcraft, <u>NONTURBINE POWERED</u> small single and multiengine airplanes [12,500 pounds or less], and other aircraft for which a MMEL has been developed, <u>may elect</u> to <u>operate WITH</u> a <u>MEL</u> — <u>OR</u> — under the provisions of <u>FAR § 91.213(d)</u> [<u>WITHOUT</u> a <u>MEL</u>]. However, the <u>latter option does not apply if</u> the aircraft <u>has an MEL approved under FAR Parts 121, 125, 129, or 135</u>. For example, an owner has leased an aircraft to an air carrier operator, and the air carrier operator has applied for and received an approved MEL for FAR Part 135 operations. <u>Compliance with</u> such a <u>MEL</u> is <u>mandatory</u>, <u>even during FAR Part 91 operations</u>. If the operator wants to operate under FAR § 91.213(d), the operator would have to surrender the MEL authorization.

DECISION PROCESS WHEN OPERATING WITHOUT a MEL:



If you decide to <u>REMOVE</u> an item, it will usually <u>require</u> an authorized <u>mechanic</u> to do the work. A <u>supplemental Weight & Balance</u> report must be created and <u>signed by</u> the <u>mechanic</u>; and the <u>equipment list must be modified</u> to reflect the removal. The temporary W&B and equipment list modification should be kept in the <u>Aircraft Flight Manual</u>. If you decide to <u>DEACTIVATE</u> the item, you can just <u>switch it off</u>, or <u>pull and collar the circuit breaker</u>. Placard the cockpit control "<u>INOP</u>" and <u>record</u> the <u>maintenance</u> as per 43.9.