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Operational Suitability Evaluations (OEB)

Operational Suitability Data (OSD)



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EASA OEB*

PILOT QUALIFICATION:

aircraft type/variant designation
training/checking/currency

SIMULATOR QUALIFICATION:

evaluation of the first simulator

CABIN CREW:

acft type assessment, CC training,
operation

MMEL DEVELOPMENT

OTHER:

EFB, HGS, Steep Approaches, etc.

** voluntary evaluation on request by applicant*



1 Jul 2009



OEB Process – Today

- ▶ Syllabi for pilots and cabin crew, simulator qualification and MMEL: developed through the JOEB process:
 - ▶ Voluntary process with involvement of manufacturers, operators, NAAs, Agency
 - ▶ Result not binding, Recommendations only
- ▶ Qualification may be conducted in parallel to the Airworthiness certification for new helicopter, it is a full operational evaluation (OEB)
- ▶ For an existing aircraft it is a catch up process



EASA Helicopter OEB reports available



A 109E,S and AW 109SP



AS 350 Family



EC 225



AW 139



EC 130B4/T2



EC 120



AS 332 L1,L1e & L2



Bell 407



AS 355 Series



Cabri G2



Bell 206 L1, L3, L4



EC 135/635



Bell 429



AS 365 / EC 155 Series



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EASA Helicopter OEB in progress





Operational Suitability Data (OSD)

" A new EASA invention to burden the industry ? "

or

" A better way to integrate aircraft type specific elements "



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EASA OSD#

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SIMULATOR QUALIFICATION:

acft validation source data

CABIN CREW DATA:

acft type/variant designation
type specific data

MMEL DEVELOPMENT

OTHER

Maintenance Certifying Staff:

type rating, minimum syllabus

regulatory requirement



- Regulation (EC) 216/2008 – "**Basic Regulation**" – was extended to include the elements of operational suitability evaluation
- Regulation (EU) 748/2012 – Annex I ["**Part 21**"] – will be amended to approve operational suitability data as part of the certification process (entry into force envisaged # 1ST Q- 2014)



Flight Crew Operational Suitability Data (OSD) for all aircraft ?

FC OSD for

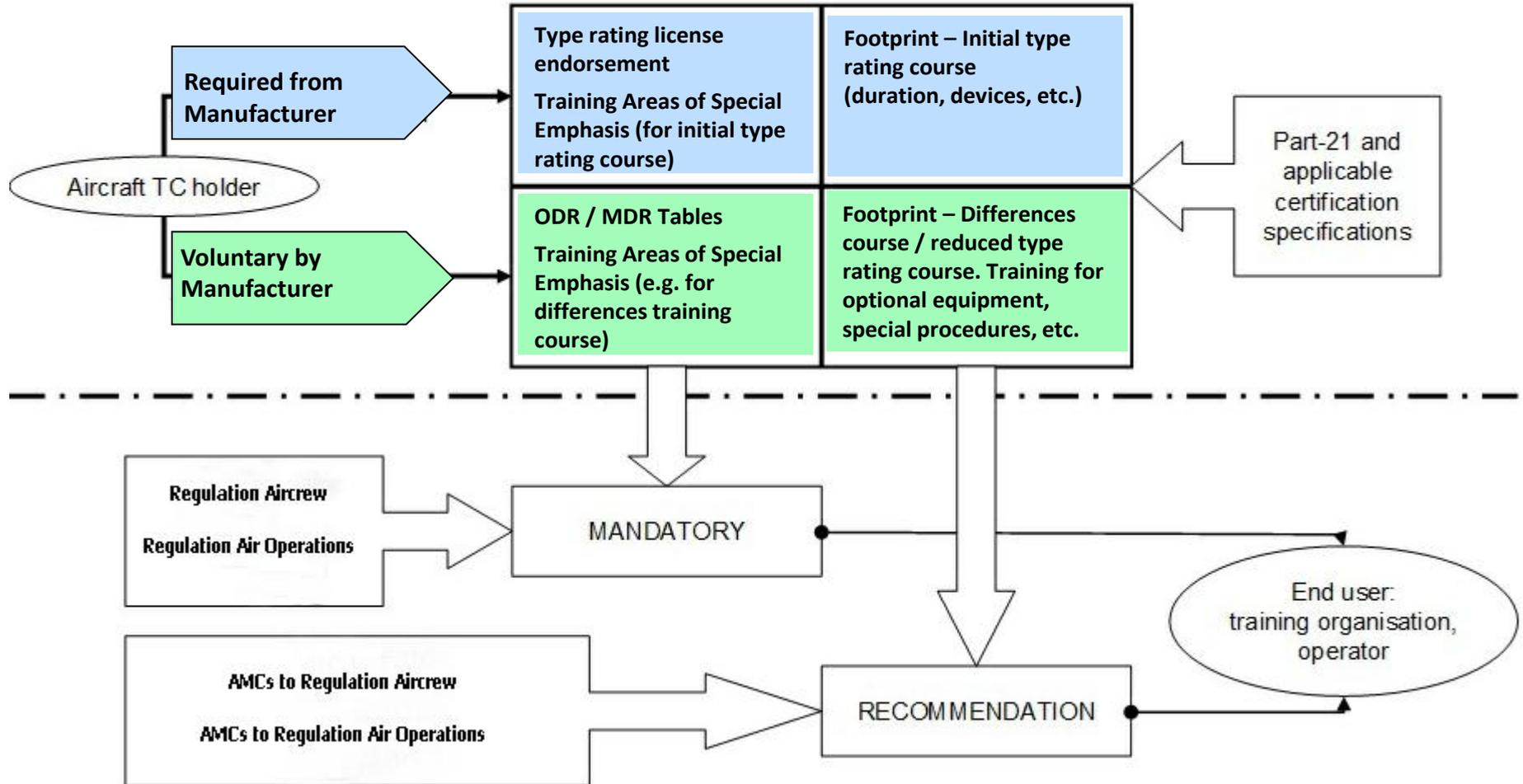
- new aircraft, entering into service with an EU operator
- in-production aircraft, in service with an EU operator
- aircraft for which data from previous OEB evaluations exist
- aircraft modifications, when impact on flight crew data

transition periods will be established



What is the Status of Operational Suitability Data (OSD) ?

"FC OSD contain mandatory and recommended elements"





Operational Suitability Data (OSD) What Data ?

OSD establishes:

- ✓ aircraft as separate types or variants : *Part-FCL, FCL.010/ ORO.FC.140*
- ✓ Training Areas of Special Emphasis (TASE): *Part-FCL, FCL.725(a):ORO.FC.145(b)*
- ✓ reduced flight training syllabus based on credit for previous experience on similar aircraft types : *Part-FCL, Appendix 9*
- ✓ credits for the operation on more than one type or variant : *ORO.FC.140(a)*

Credits for :

- training, checking and recent experience
- minimum time and hours on base aircraft prior to training on another type or variant;
- number of flight hours or sectors required for crewing of inexperienced flight crew members;
- line checks;
- alternating proficiency checks



OSD - Rulemaking

Transfer of OEB to EU regulatory framework:

- Introduced in Basic Regulation in article 5 “Airworthiness”
- Implementing rules:
 - change to Part-21
 - change to Air Crew Regulation
 - change to Air Ops Regulation
- Certification Specifications and AMC/GM
- Entry into force: 1Q 2014



Transition

- No big bang
- Total 4 years transition (max.)
- **Manufacturers:**
 - At EIF: Start using new rules for new TC(#1st Q 2014)
 - Catch-up within 2 years (following the implementing date)
- **Operators / training organisations:**
 - For new MEL/training courses use OSD when available
 - Update existing training courses within 2 years after OSD is available (MEL: 90 days)



Practical

- All OSD is property of TC holder
- Reference in TCDS
 - E.g. type rating, variants are in TCDS
 - However EASA can publish consolidated lists for info
- Existing OEB transfer to OSD
 - TC holder to indicate mandatory / non-mandatory within 6 months
 - Eventually OEB report is superseded



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EASA OSD – Pilot Qualifications

Thank You

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