

# **Approval process**

# What is the status of my project?

### Answer

If you wish to enquire about the status of your project, please contact directly your project certification manager (PCM) by quoting the EASA task number. The contact details of the PCM are sent to you with the EASA Acceptance Letter once your project has been allocated.

Alternatively you may send an email to application.services [at] easa.europa.eu (application[dot]services[at]easa[dot]europa[dot]eu).

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# My project is re-classified, what implications are there?

#### Answer

#### Fees & charges category re-classification

Your project may be reclassified to a higher or lower category, e.g. from Simple to Standard, based on certain criteria that are defined in <u>Commission Implementing</u> <u>Regulation (EU) 2019/2153</u>. As a re-classification to a higher category leads to a higher fee, we will contact you first for your acceptance before taking any further action.

In case of re-classifications to a lower category, a credit note will be issued, if applicable.

For further information on the different fees & charges categories, please consult the tables sorted by application type provided in the Annex of the fees and charges regulation Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2153.

	Simple	Standard	Cionificant	Complex
	Simple	Standard	Significant	Significant
EASA				'Complex
Supplemental				Significant
Гуре				Change' is any
Certificate				significant change
(STC)				(ref. GM 21.A.101
				of Annex I (Part
				21) to Regulation
				(EU) No
				748/2012)
				involving at least
				two reasons
				justifying its
				classification as
				significant
				(examples of
				criteria as per this
				GM 21.A.101 of
				Annex I (Part 21)
				to Regulation (EU)
				No 748/2012:
				change in the
	STC, major design change,			general
	or repair, only involving		'Significant'	configuration,
	current and well-proven		is defined	change to the
	justification methods, for		in point	principles of
	which a complete set of		21.A.101(b)	construction,
	data (description,		of Annex I	assumptions used
	compliance check-list and		(Part 21) to	for certification
	compliance documents)		Regulation	have been
	can be communicated at	-	(EU) No	invalidated)
EASA major	the time of application, and	changes	748/2012	or
design	for which the applicant has	-	(and	
changes	domonstrated experience		similarly in	any significant
	and which can be assessed		FAA 14CFR	change involving
	by the project certification		21.101 (b)).	two or more
	manager alone, or with a			examples

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	limited involvement of a		described as
	single discipline specialist		significant change
			(column
			'Description of
			change' Tables in
			Appendix 2 to GM
			21.A.101 of
			Annex I (Part 21)
			to Regulation (EU)
			No 748/2012).
			If justified by
			exceptional
			technical
			circumstances,
			the Agency may
			reclassify a
			complex
			significant
			application to
			significant.
EASA major	=	nla	
repairs		n/a	n/a

## Part 21 re-classification

Your application may be reclassified to a different application type, e.g. from Minor Change to Major Change based on certain technical criteria that are defined in Part 21. In this case a new application must be made to EASA.

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# I would like to cancel, interrupt or re-activate my project; what do I need to do?

Answer

### Cancellation

You may cancel your project at any time by completing form <u>FO.APMAN.00143</u> or by sending an email to applicant.services [at] easa.europa.eu quoting the EASA task number. We will confirm and, if applicable, proceed with any accounting adjustments.

Users of the Applicant Portal may cancel their application directly in the tool.

## Interruption

To interrupt a project, please complete form FO.APMAN.00143.

- An application may only be interrupted once, for a period not exceeding 18 months following the initial request to interrupt.

- If the initial request was for 6 or 12 months, the interruption may be extended to the total of 18 months.

- The application validity is not impacted by the interruption.

- An application cannot be interrupted retroactively. The interruption period starts on the date indicated by the applicant but not earlier than the date when the request is received by the Agency.

## **Re-activation**

 EASA will automatically re-activate the application at the end of the interruption period – the applicant does not need to re-submit a new application to re-activate.
 Should the applicant wish to re-activate the project prior to the end of the requested interruption period, a request for early re-activation shall be submitted using form FO.APMAN.00143.

## **Fees and Charges**

- The fee of an application interrupted within the first year since the application receipt shall not be reimbursed.

For applications interrupted after the first year, the balance of any fees or charges due for the ongoing billing cycle shall be 1/365th of the relevant annual fee or charge per day (Art. 10.3 and 16.3 of <u>Commission Regulation (EU) 2019/2153</u>).
A re-activated application shall trigger a new fee or charge irrespective of the fees or charges already paid for the interrupted task (Art. 10.3 and 16.3 of <u>Commission Regulation (EU) 2019/2153</u>).

Form FO.APMAN.00143 can be downloaded here.

If you have any invoicing related queries, please contact our Invoicing Section at applicant.services [at] easa.europa.eu (applicant[dot]services[at]easa[dot]europa[dot]eu)

For further information on the termination or interruption of your project, please

refer to Article 10 and 16 of our fees and charges regulation Commission Regulation (EU) No 2019/2153.

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# What else do I need to know on the Annual Fee for holders of EASA Type Certificates / Restricted Type Certificates?

#### Answer

After the issuance of the EASA Type Certificate / Restricted Type Certificate, EASA will levy per period of twelve (12) months an annual fee in accordance with **Table 8 of Part I of the Annex** to this Regulation, for the purpose of maintaining the certificate. The first 12-month period starts on 01 June following the date on which the certificate is issued.

By derogation from the flat fees set out in **Table 8**, the following shall apply:

A. For freighter versions of an aircraft that have their own type certificate, a coefficient of 0,85 is applied to the fee for the equivalent passenger version.

B. For holders of multiple EASA Type Certificates, EASA Restricted Type Certificates and/or multiple other Type Certificates, a 25 % reduction to the annual fee is applied to the fourth and subsequent certificates subject to the same flat fee in the same fee category identified in **Table 8**.

C. The hourly rate set out in **Part II of the Annex**, up to the level of the full fee for the relevant fee category shall be charged in the following cases:

1. For aircraft

a. which are out of production for more than 20 years, or
b. of which less than 50 units have been produced worldwide, or
c. of which 50 or more units have been produced worldwide, provided that the certificate holder demonstrates that less than 50 units are in service worldwide;

a. which are out of production for more than 20 years, or

b. of which less than 100 units have been produced worldwide

c. of which 100 or more units have been produced worldwide, provided that the certificate holder demonstrates that the engine or propeller is installed in less than 50 aircraft in service.

The criteria established in point C. shall be assessed by reference to the 1st of January of the year in which the respective billing cycle starts.

Having regard to **Table 8** and the derogations listed above, the period during which an invoice regarding a fee for continuing airworthiness activities may be retroactively adjusted is limited to one year after its issuance.

The amounts referred to in **Part I and Part II of the Annex** shall be indexed, with effect of 01 January each year, to the inflation rate in accordance with the method set out in **Part IV of the Annex**.

Please note that the above summary of the related provisions of the Fees & Charges regulation is provided for convenience only. If, at any time, there is a discrepancy, inconsistency or conflict between the information provided above and in the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2153, the latter shall prevail.

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# What else do I need to know on the Annual Fee for holders of EASA European Technical Standard Order Authorisations?

## Answer

After the issuance of the European Technical Standard Authorisation, EASA will levy per period of twelve (12) months an annual fee in accordance with **Table 8 of Part I of the Annex** to this Regulation, for the purpose of maintaining the certificate. The first 12-month period starts on 01 June following the date on which the certificate is issued.

By derogation from the flat fees set out in **Table 8**, the following shall apply:

A. For holders of multiple EASA European Technical Standard Order Authorisations and/or multiple other Technical Standard Order Authorisations, a 25 % reduction to the annual fee is applied to the fourth and subsequent certificates subject to the same flat fee in the same fee category identified in **Table 8**.

B. The hourly rate set out in **Part II of the Annex**, up to the level of the full fee for the relevant fee category shall be charged in the following cases:

- a. which are out of production for more than 15 years, or
- b. of which less than 400 units have been produced worldwide, or
- c. of which 400 or more units have been produced worldwide, provided that certificate holder demonstrates that the part or non-installed equipment is installed in less than 50 aircraft in service.

The criteria established in point B. shall be assessed by reference to the 1st of January of the year in which the respective billing cycle starts.

Having regard to **Table 8** and the derogations listed above, the period during which an invoice regarding a fee for continuing airworthiness activities may be retroactively adjusted is limited to one year after its issuance.

Minor changes to ETSOA are classified as 'Administrative Change' and 'Technical Change'. An 'Administrative Change' will be charged one (1) working hour in accordance with **Part II of the Anne**x. A 'Technical Change' will be charged in accordance with **Table 4 of Part I of the Annex**.

The amounts referred to in Part I and Part II of the Annex shall be indexed, with effect of 01 January each year, to the inflation rate in accordance with the method set out in Part IV of the Annex.

Please note that the above summary of the related provisions of the Fees & Charges regulation is provided for convenience only. If, at any time, there is a discrepancy, inconsistency or conflict between the information provided above and the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2153, the latter shall prevail.

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# Why am I no longer receiving an AMF approval but a Major or Minor Change approval or an STC instead?

#### Answer

EASA has recently simplified the administrative application process for Stand-alone FM revisions and has stopped issuing approvals under the title of "AFM Approval". These have been replaced by the issuance of a standard change approval (e.g. Minor Change Approval/Major Change Approval, etc.).

In the past, applications for Stand-alone FM revisions could be made exclusively by using the designated paper application form FO.CERT.00036.

You may now simply apply for the pertinent type of design change activity online.

Activity as per FO.CERT.00036	Activity as per Applicant Portal		
Stand-Alone Revision of Flight Manual			
classified as Minor	Minor Change		
classified as Major - Simple	Major Change (for TC Holders only)		
classified as Major - Standard	Major Change for STC (if applicable)		
classified as Major - Complex	STC (non-TC Holder FMS change)		

Please note that this change in the process has no impact on the fees that EASA will charge.

FM revision applications have always been charged in accordance with the applicable classification as either Major Change or a Minor Change.

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