

European Aviation Safety Agency

DECISION 2014/001/R OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY

of 29 January 2014

amending Acceptable Means of Compliance for Airworthiness of Products, Parts and Appliances (AMC-20)

'AMC-20 - Amendment 12' Airworthiness and operational consideration for Electronic Flight Bags (EFBs)'

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008¹, and in particular Articles 18 (c) and Article 38 (3)(a) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EU) 748/2012², in particular 21.A.16A of the Annex (Part-21) thereof.

Whereas:

- (1) The Executive Director issued general Acceptable Means of Compliance for airworthiness of products, parts and appliances (AMC-20) in the Annex to Executive Director Decision 2003/12/RM of 5 November 2003 (Initial Issue)³.
- (2) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 18(c) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008, issue Certification Specifications (CS) and Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC), as well as any Guidance Material (GM) for the application of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and its Implementing Rules.

¹ Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 February 2008 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency, and repealing Council Directive 91/670/EEC, Regulation (EC) No 1592/2002 and Directive 2004/36/EC. (OJ L 79, 19.03.2008, p. 1). Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) No 6/2013 of 8 January 2013 (OJ L 4, 9.1.2013, p. 34).

² Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012 of 03 August 2012 laying down implementing rules for the airworthiness and environmental certification of aircraft and related products, parts and appliances, as well as for the certification of design and production organisations (OJ L 244, 21.08.2012, p.1). Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) 7/2013 (OJ L 4, 9.1.2013, p. 36).

³ ED Decision 2003/12/RM of 05 November 2003 as last amended by Executive Director Decision 2013/030/R of 17 December 2013 (AMC-20 Amendment 11).

- (3) The Agency is obliged, pursuant to Article 19(2) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 to reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the fields concerned and update CS, AMC and GM taking into account worldwide aircraft experience in service, and scientific and technical progress.
- (4) The Agency has determined a need to improve AMC-20 with respect to 'airworthiness and operational consideration for Electronic Flight Bags (EFBs)' by updating the existing acceptable means of compliance to account for changes in technology and industry expectations.
- (5) The Agency, pursuant to Article 52(1)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and articles 5 (3), 6 and 7 of the Rulemaking Procedure⁴, has widely consulted interested parties on the matters which are the subject of this Decision and has provided thereafter a written response to the comments received⁵.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision of the Executive Director of the Agency No. 2003/12/RM of 05 November 2003, is amended as laid down in Annex II to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force the 10th day following that of its publication in the Official Publication of the Agency.

Done at Cologne, 29 January 2014

*For the European Aviation Safety Agency
The Executive Director*

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⁴ EASA MB Decision 01-2012 of 13 March 2012 amending and replacing MB Decision 08-2007 concerning the procedure to be applied by the Agency for the issuing of opinions, certification specifications and guidance material ('Rulemaking Procedure').

⁵ See NPA 2012-02 on page: http://www.easa.europa.eu/ws_prod/r/r_archives.php.
and CRD 2012-02 on page: http://www.easa.europa.eu/ws_prod/r/r_crd.php.