

Executive Director Decision

2019/003/R

of 12 February 2019

amending Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material to Part-21 of Regulation (EU) No 748/2012.

'AMC and GM to Part-21 — Issue 2, Amendment 8'

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY (EASA),

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2018/1139¹, and in particular Article 104(3)(a) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012, and in particular Article 10 thereto,

Whereas:

- (1) EASA shall, pursuant to Article 76(3) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, issue certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance, as well as guidance material, for the application of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and of the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof.
- (2) Acceptable means of compliance are non-binding standards issued by EASA which may be used by persons and organisations to demonstrate compliance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof; when acceptable means of compliance are applied, the related requirements of the implementing rules are met.
- (3) Guidance material is non-binding material issued by EASA which helps to illustrate the meaning of a requirement or specification and is used to support the interpretation of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof, certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Union Aviation Safety Agency, and amending Regulations (EC) No 2111/2005, (EC) No 1008/2008, (EU) No 996/2010, (EU) No 376/2014 and Directives 2014/30/EU and 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 552/2004 and (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 (OJ L 212, 22.8.2018, p. 1) (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1535612134845&uri=CELEX:32018R1139>).

- (4) With Decision 2012/020/R of 30 October 2012, the Executive Director issued Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material to Part-21 of Regulation (EU) No 748/2012.
- (5) EASA shall, pursuant to Article 4(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the field of aviation and update its decisions taking into account worldwide aviation experience and scientific and technical progress in the respective fields. EASA has determined the need to issue acceptable means of compliance to provide a more proportionate approach for small, non complex organisations that produce lower-risk products and the parts that are installed on these products to promote cost-efficiency in the regulatory and certification processes and provide a level playing field for all the actors in the internal aviation market.
- (6) EASA, pursuant to Article 115(1)(c) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and Article 16 'Special rulemaking procedure: accelerated procedure of the EASA Rulemaking Procedure'², has consulted its Advisory Bodies on the matters which are the subject of this Decision and has considered the comments received,

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision 2012/020/R of the Executive Director of the Agency of 30 October 2012 is amended by including in its Annex the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the first day following that of its publication in the Official Publication of EASA.

Cologne, 12 February 2019

*For the European Union Aviation Safety Agency
The Executive Director*

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² EASA Management Board (MB) Decision No 18-2015 of 15 December 2015 replacing Decision 01/2012 concerning the procedure to be applied by the Agency for the issuing of opinions, certification specifications, acceptable means of compliance and guidance material ('Rulemaking Procedure') (<http://www.easa.europa.eu/system/files/dfu/EASA%20MB%20Decision%2018-2015%20on%20Rulemaking%20Procedure.pdf>).

