



**European Aviation Safety Agency
Rulemaking Directorate**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

AMC & GM to Part-M, Part-145, Part-66 and Part-147

1. GENERAL

Executive Director Decision 2012/004/R amends the Annexes I, II, IV, V, VI, VII and VIII to Decision 2003/19/RM of the Executive Director of the European Aviation Safety Agency of 28 November 2003 on acceptable means of compliance and guidance material to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2042/2003 of 20 November 2003 on the continuing airworthiness of aircraft and aeronautical products, parts and appliances, and on the approval of organisations and personnel involved in these tasks.

This Decision incorporates the output from the following EASA rulemaking tasks:

Rulemaking Task No.	TITLE	NPA No.
66.004	"Time limit for demonstrating compliance with knowledge and experience requirements"	2007-02
66.006	"Privileges of B1 and B2 aircraft maintenance licences"	2007-07
66.009	"Type and group ratings"	2007-07
66.011	"Type rating training"	2007-07
66.022	"Aircraft maintenance licences for non-complex aircraft"	2008-03

2. CONSULTATION

The above Notices of Proposed Amendment (NPAs) have been subject to consultation in accordance with Article 52 of the Basic Regulation¹ and the Rulemaking Procedure established by the Management Board². For detailed information on the proposed changes and their justification, please consult NPA 2007-02 & CRD 2007-02, NPA 2007-07 & CRD 2007-07 and NPA 2008-03 & CRD 2008-03, which are available on the Agency's website (Archives)³.

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 Regulation 1108/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 51).

² Management Board Decision concerning the procedure to be applied by the Agency for the issuing of opinions, certification specifications and guidance material ('Rulemaking Procedure'), EASA MB 08-2007, 13.6.2007.

³ See Rulemaking Archives page: <http://easa.europa.eu/rulemaking/r-archives.php>.

This consultation resulted in the changes to the rules proposed by the Agency in Opinions 05/2008, 04/2009 and 05/2009, which are also available on the Agency's website (Opinions)⁴. These Opinions described the reactions received to CRD 2007-02, CRD 2007-07 and CRD 2008-03, both for the rules and the AMC/GM material.

In addition, during the corresponding comitology process, a significant number of changes were introduced before the final rule was adopted by the Commission on 16 November 2011 through Regulation (EU) No 1149/2011⁵.

3. CONTENT OF THE DECISION

As a result of the above, during the drafting process of this Decision the Agency took into account the following:

- The text resulting from CRD 2007-02, CRD 2007-07 and CRD 2008-03.
- The reactions received to those CRDs, as described in Opinions 05/2008, 04/2009 and 05/2009.
- The consolidation of the text corresponding to Opinions 05/2008, 04/2009 and 05/2009, and the changes introduced during the comitology Process, before Regulation (EU) No 1149/2011 was adopted by the Commission on 16 November 2011.

This Decision:

- Introduces changes to AMC to Part-M (Annex I to Decision No 2003/19/RM);
- Introduces changes to AMC to Part-145 (Annex II to Decision No 2003/19/RM);
- Does not change GM to Part-145 (Annex III to Decision No 2003/19/RM);
- Replaces the current AMC and GM to Part-66 (Annexes IV and V to Decision No 2003/19/RM) by a single Annex IV (fully consolidated, covering all the AMC/GM to Part-66);
- Replaces the current AMC and GM to Part-147 (Annexes VI and VII to Decision No 2003/19/RM) by a single Annex V (fully consolidated, covering all the AMC/GM to Part-147);
- Renames Annex VIII (GM to Part-M) as Annex VI (GM to Part-M).

This Decision enters into force on 1 August 2012.

⁴ See Rulemaking Archives page: <http://easa.europa.eu/agency-measures/opinions.php>.

⁵ Regulation (EU) No 1149/2011 of 21 October 2011 amending Regulation (EC) No 2042/2003 on the continuing airworthiness of aircraft and aeronautical products, parts and appliances, and on the approval of organisations and personnel involved in these tasks (OJ L 298, 16.11.2011, p. 1).