

## General

### How do I apply for an ETSO authorization?

#### Answer

Applications can be of two types:

1. An application from an EU organization for the EASA approval of a new ETSOA. This requires that the applicant has at least applied for Alternative Procedures to Design Organisation Approvals (ADOA) and a Production Organisation Approval (POA). ETSO applications for APU require a DOA.
2. An application from a non-EU organization for the EASA validation of a non-EU part approval. The application must be made in accordance with any Working Arrangement or Bilateral Agreement. If these are missing the application will be considered as a new ETSOA and the organisational requirements mentioned in paragraph 1 will apply.

Applications for ETSOA are made via the EASA [Applicant Portal](#) by creating a new application and selecting ETSOA - Initial Approval. [Form 34](#) can be used in exceptional circumstances; its use should be limited only to cases when submittal of the application via the Applicant Portal is not possible.

Compliance with the applicable ETSO – standard(s) as well as Part 21 shall be stated in a DDP (Declaration of Design and Performance). Form 35 is no longer used.

All technical documents should be submitted for the ETSO applications received at EASA after 1 June 2019 only via the Sepiac tool. For the ETSO applications submitted to EASA before 1 June 2019 the technical documentation can be still sent via mail to the relevant PCM (if the size is less than 10 MB) or via the [EASA Filebox](#) to the responsible PCM with etsoa [at] easa.europa.eu (etsoa[at]easa[dot]europa[dot]eu) in copy in a zip format quoting the task number of the application. You might consider attaching the Certification Programme in one of the first packages of technical documentation you send to EASA.

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## **What is an ETSO approval and where can I find the corresponding regulations?**

### **Answer**

The ETSO (European Technical Standard Order) authorization represents one way (and not the only way) to have parts and appliances approved. This is an optional step which ensures that a part or appliance complies with a minimum performance standard. In all cases, the installer must apply for an installation approval on-board the aircraft. He/she can use the ETSO authorization and he/she complements it to demonstrate that the installation complies with the applicable certification basis for the changed aircraft.

European Technical Standard Order authorizations are covered by Subpart O of Part-21 which is the Annex to [Commission Regulation \(EU\) No 748/2012](#). You can find a list of the ETSO standards in the published list [ETSO Index](#). The certification specifications for ETSO are published [here](#).

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## **How to start using SEPIAC?**

### **Answer**

[SEPIAC](#) is a Shared Electronic Platform for Initial Airworthiness Certification to communicate during the ETSO project, after acceptance of a project by the ETSO admin team as a response to the submission of the project via the EASA Applicant portal. This [presentation](#) provides information for the first steps in SEPIAC for an ETSO applicant. More information on the use of SEPIAC is accessible in the SEPIAC portal, after the applicant has become a member of SEPIAC and has at least one admin account. How to become a member is described in aforementioned presentation.

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**Which costs are related to an ETSO application/authorization?**

**Answer**

The [Fees & Charges of EASA](#) are according to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2153.

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