European Union Aviation Safety Agency

Miscellaneous

What is the EASA position on PMA (Parts Manufacturer Approval) approvals?

Answer

EASA has documented how an approval can be issued by the Agency to an organisation under the regulatory oversight of the FAA for a part designed under their PMA system. Refer to EASA policy in ED Decision 2007/003/C.

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What can I do if I do not need the certificate anymore (surrender of certificates)?

Answer

If you plan to surrender the ETSO authorisation of your equipment, please bear in mind that, even if your company stopped manufacturing it a long time ago, there could still be units in service. In general the ETSO authorisation needs to be in place for continued airworthiness purposes. At the first airworthiness related issue occurring in service, EASA might issue an AD to mandate removal from service of the equipment whose certificate was surrendered.

In order to have an ETSO certificate surrendered please send an e-mail request (application form not available) to applicant.services [at] easa.europa.eu. State the approval number and the reason for the surrender. You will receive a confirmation e-mail containing the next steps, which are usually:

- allocation of the surrender exercise to EASA PCM
- acceptance of the request for surrender
- notification of all ICAO states about the surrender
- update the list of EASA ETSO authorisations
- notification of the surrender to the public.

Once the surrender has been accepted you will receive a decision letter and you will have to return the original certificates to EASA.

The Certification Information is published on the EASA website on the latest news page and also under the Type Certificates Information page.

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What is an EASA form 1?

Answer

The EASA Form 1 is the Authorised Release Certificate released by a POA holder for stating that a product, a part, or a component was manufactured in accordance with approved/not approved design data. NB: the same for is suitable for Maintenance Organization as well. Exhaustive explanation how to fill the Form 1, can be found in Appendix I of Part 21 (page 87).

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Where can one obtain a copy of the MOPS for ETSO C109?

Answer

Copies of Global Systems, Inc. document “Minimum Performance Standards (MPS) for the Airborne Navigation Data Storage System,” dated March 31, 1983 may be purchased from Global Systems, Inc., 2144 Michelson Drive, Irvine, California 92715, ATTN: Production Manager, Navigation Data, Telephone: (714) 851-0119.

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