



European Aviation Safety Agency
Rulemaking Directorate

EXPLANATORY NOTE

CS-31HB Amendment 1

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1. GENERAL

Executive Director Decision 2011/013/R amends Decision No 2009/005/R of 27 February 2009 (CS-31HB Initial Issue). It represents Amendment 1 of CS-31HB and incorporates the output from the following EASA rulemaking task and editorial changes:

Rulemaking Task No.	TITLE	NPA No.
31.003	CS-31GB and amendments to CS-31HB	2011-01

The Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) has been subject to consultation in accordance with Article 52 of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 (the 'Basic Regulation')¹ and Article 15 of the Rulemaking Procedure established by the Management Board². For detailed information on the proposed changes and their justification, please consult NPA 2011-01³ which is available on the Agency's website.

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.

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 08-2007-03, 13.6.2007.

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

The Agency has addressed and responded to the comments received on the NPA. The responses are provided in a Comment-Response Document (CRD) which has been produced for the NPA (CRD 2011-01⁴) and which is also available on the Agency's website.

2. CRD REACTIONS

The Agency received no substantive reactions in response to the CRD 2011-01.

3. EDITORIAL CHANGES

Apart from the changes that resulted from the NPA, this Amendment 1 of CS-31HB also incorporates several changes aiming to correct certain editorial errors or inconsistencies and to update some references to documents. Their description/justification is as follows:

Title of the document and Book 1

Regulation (EC) No 1108/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009⁵ amended Article 18 point (c) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008. The amended point (c) does not anymore refer to airworthiness codes but to certification specifications instead. Book 1 contains the certification specifications and Book 2 the acceptable means of compliance.

Therefore, the title of the CS-31HB document is amended on the main cover page and on Book 1 and Book 2 cover pages to read 'Certification Specifications and Acceptable Means of Compliance for Hot Air Balloons'.

The title and references to Book 1 are replaced by 'Certification Specifications' instead of 'Airworthiness Code' (table of contents, Book 1 cover page, in CS-31HB Amendment 1).

Book 1

CS 31HB.72 and AMC 31HB.72(a)(4):

CS 31HB.72 has an editorial mistake in the reference to the AMC 31HB.72(a)(5) which should have been AMC 31HB.72(a)(4). The numbering of the AMC (Book 2) is also corrected.

⁴ See: <http://easa.europa.eu/rulemaking/r-archives.php#crd>

⁵ Amending Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 February 2008.