

European Aviation Safety Agency

DECISION 2013/011/R OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY

of 1st July 2013

adopting the Certification Specifications for Tethered Gas Balloons (CS-31TGB)

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY,

Having regard to the 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 Agency¹ (hereinafter referred to as 'the Basic Regulation'), and in particular Articles 38(3)(e) and 38(3)(i) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 748/2012 of 3 August 2012 laying down implementing rules for the airworthiness and environmental certification of aircraft and related products, parts and appliances, as well as for the certification of design and production organisations², in particular 21A.16A thereof,

WHEREAS:

- (1) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 18 of the Basic Regulation, issue certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance, as well as guidance material for the application of the Basic Regulation and its Implementing Rules.
- (2) The Agency is obliged, pursuant to Article 19 of the Basic Regulation, to reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the fields concerned and to update the Certification Specifications taking into account world-wide aircraft experience in service, and scientific and technical progress.
- (3) The Agency has, pursuant to Article 52(1)(c) of the Basic Regulation and Articles 5(3) and 6 of the Rulemaking Procedure³, widely consulted interested parties on the matters which are the subject of this Decision and has provided thereafter a written response to the comments received⁴.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

¹ OJ L 243, 27.9.2003, p. 6. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 6/2013 of 8 January 2013 (OJ L 4, 9.1.2013, p. 34).

² OJ L 224, 21.8.2012, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EU) No 7/2013 of 8 January 2013 (OJ L 4, 9.1.2013, p. 36).

³ EASA MB Decision 01-2012 of 13 March 2012 amending and replacing MB Decision 08-2007 concerning the procedure to be applied by the Agency for the issuing of opinions, certification specifications and guidance material ('Rulemaking Procedure').

⁴ See NPA 2012-24; Document available on the Agency's website, under the Rulemaking Archives page <http://easa.europa.eu/rulemaking/docs/npa/2012/NPA2012-24.pdf>.

Article 1

The Annex to this Decision is adopted as the initial issue of the Certification Specifications for Tethered Gas Balloons (CS-31TGB).

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of publication in the Official Publication of the Agency.

Done at Cologne, 01/07/2013.

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