

Executive Director Decision

DECISION N° 2014/193/E
OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY

of 12th January 2012

ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POOL OF EXPERTS TO ASSIST THE AGENCY WITH THE ASSESSMENT OF INDIVIDUAL FLIGHT TIME SPECIFICATION SCHEMES

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY,

Having regard to 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, and in particular Articles 38(3)(e) thereof;

WHEREAS:

- (1) Article 22.2 (c) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 requires the Agency to assess individual flight time specification schemes which deviate from the certification specifications adopted by the Agency;
- (2) Article 18 (b) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 requires the Agency to issue recommendations addressed to the Commission for the application of Article 14 of the same Regulation;
- (3) It is necessary for the proper functioning of the Agency to be able to seek advice from Member State and industry experts for the assessment of individual flight time specification schemes under the provisions of ARO.OPS.235 of Annex II of Commission Regulation (EU) No 965/2012 of 05 October 2012 laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures related to air operations pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council, as well as related recommendations under Art. 14 of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008;
- (4) The Agency has stated in the Explanatory Note to its Opinion 04/2012: "In order to assess these individual flight time specification schemes, the Agency envisages setting up a panel of experts from Members States, Operators, Crew associations and the Agency. Experts will be selected on the basis of their scientific and medical knowledge and/or operational experience in relation with FTL."²
- (5) It was agreed with stakeholders to establish a pool of experts to support the Agency with such assessment;
- (6) Stakeholders organisations have been invited to nominate experts with the appropriate expertise to support the Agency with the assessment of individual flight time specification schemes;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

[¹ OJ L 79, 19.3.08, p. 1.]

² [Opinion 04/2012 Implementing Rules on Flight and Duty Time Limitations and rest requirements \(FTL\) for commercial air transport \(CAT\) with aeroplanes](#)

Article 1

The Flight Standards Director shall select experts to establish a pool of experts to support the Agency in the assessment of individual flight time specification schemes notified by Member States.

From that pool of experts a panel shall be established for the assessment of such individual flight specification schemes.

Each panel shall make recommendations to the Flight Standards Director.

Article 2

The pool of experts shall consist of experts nominated on the basis of an assessment of the expertise demonstrated to the Agency and on the basis of an assessment of their Declaration of Interest.

The Flight Standards Air Operations Head of Department shall appoint experts from the pool of experts for each individual flight times specification scheme assessment panel as most appropriate for the assessment of each individual flight time specification scheme application. The final composition of each individual flight times specification scheme assessment panel shall be communicated to RAG, TAG and SSCC.

Only in exceptional cases, when special expertise is needed, the Flight Standards Director may invite experts, which are not listed in the pool of experts.

Article 3

Each individual flight time specification scheme assessment panel shall be chaired by an Agency Staff member from the Flight Standards Air Operations Department.

Article 4

The Flight Standards Director shall establish Rules of Procedures and Work Instructions for the assessment of individual flight time specification schemes.

Article 5

This Decision shall be published on the Agency's website and shall enter into force on the fifth day after its publication.

Done in Cologne, 12th January 2015


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