

Executive Director Decision

2019/012/R

of 23 May 2019

**issuing Certification Specifications and Guidance Material
for the design of surface-level VFR heliports located at aerodromes
that fall under the scope of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139**

‘CS-HPT-DSN — Issue 1’

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY (EASA),

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2018/1139¹, and in particular Article 104(3)(a) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) EASA shall, pursuant to Article 76(3) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, issue certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance, as well as guidance material, for the application of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and of the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof.
- (2) Certification specifications are non-binding technical standards issued by EASA which indicate the means to demonstrate compliance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof, and which can be used by organisations for the purpose of certification.
- (3) Guidance material is non-binding material issued by EASA which helps to illustrate the meaning of a requirement or specification and is used to support the interpretation of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof, certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Union Aviation Safety Agency, and amending Regulations (EC) No 2111/2005, (EC) No 1008/2008, (EU) No 996/2010, (EU) No 376/2014 and Directives 2014/30/EU and 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 552/2004 and (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 (OJ L 212, 22.8.2018, p. 1) (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1535612134845&uri=CELEX:32018R1139>).

- (4) EASA shall, pursuant to Article 4(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the field of aviation.

EASA is issuing certification specifications and guidance material for the design of surface-level VFR heliports in order to establish common requirements for such heliports located at aerodromes that fall under the scope of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139.

These new common requirements will facilitate and support the competent authorities and the aerodrome operators in the certification of such aerodromes and heliports.

Additionally, the common requirements will ensure harmonisation with the corresponding ICAO provisions.

- (5) EASA, pursuant to Article 115(1)(c) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and Articles 6(3), 7 and 8 of the EASA Rulemaking Procedure², has widely consulted the interested parties on the matters which are the subject of this Decision, and has provided thereafter a written response to the comments received³,

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

The Certification Specifications and Guidance Material for the design of surface-level VFR heliports located at aerodromes that fall under the scope of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 (CS-HPT-DSN) are those laid down in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the Official Publication of EASA.

Cologne, 23 May 2019

*For the European Union Aviation Safety Agency
The Executive Director*

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² EASA Management Board (MB) Decision No 18-2015 of 15 December 2015 replacing Decision 01/2012 concerning the procedure to be applied by the Agency for the issuing of opinions, certification specifications, acceptable means of compliance and guidance material ('Rulemaking Procedure') (<http://www.easa.europa.eu/system/files/dfu/EASA%20MB%20Decision%2018-2015%20on%20Rulemaking%20Procedure.pdf>).

³ <http://easa.europa.eu/document-library/comment-response-documents>

