

# **Executive Director Decision**

## DECISION 2015/006/R

### of 29 January 2015

#### amending Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material to Part-SPO of Regulation (EU) No 965/2012

#### 'AMC and GM to Part-SPO — Amendment 2'

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 February 2008<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 38(3)(a) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EU) No 965/2012 of 5 October 2012<sup>2</sup>, and in particular paragraph ARO.GEN.120(a) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 18(c) of the Regulation (EC) No 216/2008, issue Acceptable Means of Compliance, as well as Guidance Material, for the application of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008and its Implementing Rules.
- (2) Acceptable Means of Compliance are non-binding standards adopted by the Agency which illustrate the means to establish compliance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and its Implementing Rules.
- (3) Guidance Material is non-binding material developed by the Agency which helps to illustrate the meaning of a requirement or specification and is used to support the interpretation of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008, its Implementing Rules, Certification Specifications and Acceptable Means of Compliance.
- (4) With Decision 2014/018/R of 24 April 2014, the Executive Director adopted Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material to Annex VIII (Part-SPO) of Regulation (EU) No 965/2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Commission Regulation (EU) No 965/2012 of 5 October 2012 laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures related to air operations pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 296, 25.10.2012, p. 1).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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, 19.3.2008, p. 1).

- (5) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 19(2) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008, reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the fields concerned and update its Decisions taking into account worldwide aircraft experience in service, and scientific and technical progress.
- (6) The Agency has determined the need to adopt Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material to introduce procedures for taxiing to enhance runway safety and to add sensational flights to the list of specialised operations.
- (7) The Agency has, pursuant to Article 52(1)(c) of the Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and Articles 5(3) and 6 of the Rulemaking Procedure<sup>3</sup>, widely consulted interested parties on the matters which are the subject of this Decision<sup>4</sup> and has provided thereafter a written response to the comments received<sup>5</sup>,

HAS DECIDED:

#### Article 1

The Annex to Decision 2014/018/R of the Executive Director of the European Aviation Safety Agency of 24 April 2014 is amended as 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 the Agency.

Done at Cologne on 29 January 2015

For the European Aviation Safety Agency The Executive Director

Patrick KY

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See CRD 2012-06, available at <u>http://easa.europa.eu/document-library/comment-response-documents</u>.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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 01/2012 of 13 March 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See NPA 2012-06, available at <u>http://easa.europa.eu/document-library/notices-of-proposed-amendment</u>.