

Executive Director Decision

2022/007/R

of 31 January 2022

issuing the following:

Issue 2 of the Certification Specifications for All-Weather Operations

'CS-AWO Issue 2'

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,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012, and in particular point 21.B.70 of Annex I (Part 21) thereto,

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) Acceptable means of compliance are non-binding standards issued by EASA which may be used by persons and organisations to demonstrate compliance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof or with the certification specifications.
- (4) With Decision 2003/6/RM of 17 October 2003, the Executive Director issued certification specifications, including airworthiness codes and acceptable means of compliance, for all weather operations (« CS-AWO »)².

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>).

² <https://www.easa.europa.eu/document-library/certification-specifications/cs-awo-initial-issue>

- (5) 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 and update its decisions taking into account worldwide aviation experience and scientific and technical progress in the respective fields. EASA has determined the need to update the certification specifications for all-weather operations to reflect updates in the technologies that are available for these types of operations and to align those certification specifications with the forthcoming regulatory amendments to Regulation (EU) No 965/2012 (the Air Operations Regulation)³.
- (6) EASA, pursuant to Article 115(1)(c) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and Articles 6(3), 7 and 8 of the EASA Rulemaking Procedure⁴, 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 received⁵,

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

The Annex to this Decision is issued as Issue 2 of the Certification Specifications for All-Weather Operations (CS-AWO).

Article 2

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

Cologne, 31 January 2022

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

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³ <https://www.easa.europa.eu/regulations/air-operations>

⁴ 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>).

⁵ <http://easa.europa.eu/document-library/comment-response-documents>