

SUBPART C

CONTINUING AIRWORTHINESS

M.A.301 Continuing airworthiness tasks

The aircraft continuing airworthiness and the serviceability of both operational and emergency equipment shall be ensured by:

1. the accomplishment of pre-flight inspections;
2. the rectification to an officially recognised standard of any defect and damage affecting safe operation taking into account, for all large aircraft or aircraft used for commercial air transport, the minimum equipment list and configuration deviation list if applicable to the aircraft type;
3. the accomplishment of all maintenance, in accordance with the M.A.302 approved aircraft maintenance programme;
4. for all large aircraft or aircraft used for commercial air transport the analysis of the effectiveness of the M.A.302 approved maintenance programme;
5. the accomplishment of any applicable:
 - (i) airworthiness directive,
 - (ii) operational directive with a continuing airworthiness impact,
 - (iii) continued airworthiness requirement established by the Agency,
 - (iv) measures mandated by the competent authority in immediate reaction to a safety problem;
6. the accomplishment of modifications and repairs in accordance with M.A.304;
7. for non-mandatory modifications and/or inspections, for all large aircraft or aircraft used for commercial air transport the establishment of an embodiment policy;
8. maintenance check flights when necessary.

M.A.302 Maintenance programme

- (a) Every aircraft shall be maintained in accordance with a maintenance programme approved by the competent authority, which shall be periodically reviewed and amended accordingly.
- (b) The maintenance programme and any subsequent amendments shall be approved by the competent authority.
- (c) The maintenance programme must establish compliance with:
 1. instructions for continuing airworthiness issued by type certificate and supplementary type certificate holders and any other organisation that publishes such data in accordance with Part-21, or
 2. instructions issued by the competent authority, if they differ from subparagraph 1 or in the absence of specific recommendations, or
 3. instructions defined by the owner or the operator and approved by the competent authority if they differ from subparagraphs 1 and 2.
- (d) The maintenance programme shall contain details, including frequency, of all maintenance to be carried out, including any specific tasks linked to specific operations. The programme must include a reliability programme when the maintenance programme is based:
 1. on Maintenance Steering Group logic, or;
 2. mainly on condition monitoring.
- (e) When the aircraft continuing airworthiness is managed by an M.A. Subpart G organisation the maintenance programme and its amendments may be approved through a maintenance programme procedure established by such organisation (hereinafter called indirect approval).

M.A.303 Airworthiness directives

Any applicable airworthiness directive must be carried out within the requirements of that airworthiness directive, unless otherwise specified by the Agency.