

**FAQ n.19486****FAQs:**

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**Question:**

**Why does EASA adopt a Foreign State of Design AD which is applicable to a product serial number (s/n) not yet registered in Europe?**

**Answer:**

The fact that none of the s/n listed in the Foreign AD are, at the time of adoption, registered in Europe, is not strictly relevant for the Foreign AD adoption process/decision. Any s/n aircraft could be registered in future, provided the aircraft complies with the EU-validated design specifications. If already adopted, this AD would then automatically be added to the 'package' of actions that must be accomplished on that product.

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