

FAQs:

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Question:

What are the responsibilities relevant to pre-flight inspection?

Answer:

The pre-flight inspection forms part of the essential requirements for air operation, as required in Annex V (point 6.2) of the 'Basic Regulation' (Regulation (EU) 2018/1139). Being relevant to the aircraft's fitness for the intended flight, this essential requirement is implemented by the Commission Regulation (EU) 1321/2014 for continuing airworthiness in the following way:

| Reference | Obligation | Who | Remark |
|----------------------------|--|--|--------|
| M.A.201(d) ML.A.201(d) | Carry out pre-flight inspection satisfactorily | Part-M: Pilot-in-command or, in case of Licensed Air Carrier, a qualified staff under the responsibility of the operator (e.g. maintenance staff - see note) | |
| | | Part-ML: Pilot-in-command or a qualified person under the responsibility of the pilot-in-command | |
| M.A.301(a)/ ML.A.301(a) | Ensure pre-flight inspection is carried out | Owner or CA(M)O (according to M.A.201/ML.A.201) | |

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| M.A.301(a)/ ML.A.301(a) | Ensure pre-flight inspection includes the actions necessary Owner or CA(M)O to ensure that the aircraft is fit to carry out the intended flight (according to M.A.201/ML.A.201) | AMC M.A.301(a) points (1) and (2) elaborates those actions |
| M.A.301(a)/ ML.A.301(a) | If a/c managed by CA(M)O: Provide training to ensure that pre-flight inspection is carried out adequately [AMC M.A.301(a) point (3)] CA(M)O | Pre-flight inspection training described in the CAME part 1.11 or CAE part D.6 |
| Additional information: | | |
| M.A.712(b)/ CAMO.A.200(a) (3)/ CAO.A.100(b) | If a/c managed by CA(M)O: Ensure pre-flight inspection is subject to the quality system/compliance monitoring [AMC M.A.301(a) point (3)] CA(M)O | This is important because the pre-flight inspection contributes in feeding the process of aircraft continuing airworthiness |

Note:

As per the definition of 'maintenance' in article 2 (h) of Commission Regulation (EU) 1321/2014, 'pre-flight inspection' (as defined in article 2(j)) is not considered maintenance. Therefore, it does not require a certificate of release to service [M.A.201(d)/ML.A.201(d)].

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