

## ***European Aviation Safety Agency***

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**DECISION N° 2012/014/R  
OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY**

**of 17<sup>th</sup> September 2012**

**AMENDING DECISION 2003/12/RM OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY OF  
05 NOVEMBER 2003 ON GENERAL ACCEPTABLE MEANS OF COMPLIANCE FOR  
AIRWORTHINESS OF PRODUCTS, PARTS AND APPLIANCES  
« AMC-20 »**

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY,

Having regard to the 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<sup>1</sup> (hereinafter referred to as the 'The Basic Regulation'), and in particular Article 18(c) thereof,

Having regard to the Commission Regulation (EC) No 1702/2003 of 24 September 2003 laying down implementing rules for the airworthiness and environmental certification of aircraft and related products, parts and appliances, as well as for the certification of design and production organisations<sup>2</sup>, in particular 21A.16A of the Annex (Part-21) thereof,

WHEREAS:

- (1) The Executive Director issued general acceptable means of compliance for airworthiness of products, parts and appliances (« AMC-20 ») in the Annex to Executive Director Decision 2003/12/RM of 5 November 2003 (Initial Issue)<sup>3</sup>.
- (2) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 18 of the Basic Regulation, issue Certification Specifications (CS), acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC), as well as Guidance Material (GM) for the application of the Basic Regulation and its Implementing Rules (IR).
- (3) Pursuant to Article 19 of the Basic Regulation, Certification Specifications, Acceptable Means of Compliance, as well as Guidance Material shall reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the fields concerned and be update taking into account worldwide aircraft experience in service, and scientific and technical progress.

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 79, 19.03.2008, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> (OJ L 243, 27.9.2003, p. 6). Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) 1194/2009 of 30 November 2009 (OJ L 321, 8.12.2009, p. 5).

<sup>3</sup> Executive Director Decision 2003/12/RM of 05 November 2003 as last amended by Executive Director Decision 2011/001/R of 23 March 2011 (AMC-20 Amendment 8).

- (4) The Agency has determined a need to promulgate a standard for the airworthiness and operational approval of aircraft for Required Navigational Performance Approach Operations to Localiser Performance with Vertical guidance minima using Global Navigation Satellite System augmented by Satellite Based Augmentation System, for which the Agency considers the use of acceptable means of compliance to be the most appropriate means.
- (5) The Agency, pursuant to Article 52(1)(c) of the Basic Regulation and articles 5(3) and 6 of the Rulemaking Procedure<sup>4</sup>, has widely consulted interested parties on the matters which are the subject of this Decision and has provided thereafter a written response to the comments received<sup>5</sup>.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

**Article 1**

The Annex 'General Acceptable Means of Compliance for Airworthiness of Products, Parts and Appliances (« AMC-20 »)' to Decision 2003/12/RM of the Executive Director of the Agency is hereby modified in accordance with the Annexes to this Decision.

**Article 2**

This Decision shall be published in the Official Publication of the Agency and shall enter into force on 7th day following that of its signature.

Done in Cologne, 17<sup>th</sup> September 2012

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<sup>4</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/08/07, 13.6.2007.

<sup>5</sup> See NPA 2009-04 and CRD 2009-04 on the Agency's website - Rulemaking Archives page:  
<http://www.easa.europa.eu/rulemaking/r-archives.php>