

# ***European Aviation Safety Agency***

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## **DECISION 2014/004/R OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE AGENCY**

**of 31 January 2014**

**adopting Certification Specifications and Guidance Material for Master  
Minimum Equipment List**

**'CS-MMEL - Initial issue'**

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008<sup>1</sup>, in particular Article 38(3)(a) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012<sup>2</sup>, in particular 21.A.15(d)(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 18(c) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008, issue certification specifications and acceptable means of compliance, as well as guidance material for the application of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and its implementing rules.
- (2) Certification Specifications are technical standards adopted by the Agency which indicate the means to show compliance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and its Implementing Rules and which can be used by organisations for the purpose of certification.
- (3) Guidance Material is non-binding material developed by the Agency which helps to illustrate the meaning of a requirement or specification and is used to support the interpretation of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008, its Implementing Rules, Certification Specifications and Acceptable Means of Compliance.
- (4) The Agency shall, pursuant to Article 19(2) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008, reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the fields concerned and to update its Decisions taking into account worldwide aircraft experience in service, and scientific and technical progress.

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and 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 (OJ L 79, 19.3.2008, p. 1), as last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) No 6/2013 of 8 January 2013 (OJ L 4, 9.1.2013, p. 34).

<sup>2</sup> Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012 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 (OJ L 224, 21.8.2012, p.1), Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) 69/2014 of 27 January 2014 (OJ L 23, 28.1.2014, p. 12).

- (5) This Decision addresses provision of data related to aircraft type specific elements for master minimum equipment list as required under the Operational Suitability Data concept<sup>3</sup>.
- (6) The Agency, pursuant to Article 52(1)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and Articles 5(3) and 6 and 7(2) 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:

### **Article 1**

The Certification Specifications and Guidance Material for Master Minimum Equipment List (CS-MMEL) are those laid down in the Annex to this Decision.

### **Article 2**

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of publication in the Official Publication of the Agency.

Done at Cologne, 31 January 2014

*For the European Aviation Safety Agency  
The Executive Director*

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<sup>3</sup> Commission Regulation (EU) No 748/2012 of 3 August 2012 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 and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 1702/2003 (OJ L 243, 27.9.2003, p.6-79). Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EU) 69/2014 of 27 January 2014 (OJ L 23, 28.1.2014, p. 12).

<sup>4</sup> The Agency is bound to follow a structured rulemaking process as required by Article 52 (1) of the Basic Regulation. Such process has been adopted by the Agency's Management Board and is referred to as the 'Rulemaking Procedure'. See 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 Decision No 01-2012 of 13 March 2012.

<sup>5</sup> <http://easa.europa.eu/rulemaking/r-archives.php#crd>.