

Element Performance Inspection (EPI)

1.2.1 Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry (AW)

Purpose of this Element (Air Carrier responsibility):

To ensure the Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry is prepared in accordance with the Air Carrier's policies, procedures, and controls.

Objective (FAA responsibility):

To determine if the Air Carrier follows its Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry policies, procedures, and controls.

Specific Instructions for this EPI:

To accomplish this EPI, the inspector will review the Air Carrier's Airworthiness Release and Logbook Entry policies and procedures. The inspector will observe the Air Carrier's aircraft, powerplants, and appliances during in-service operation, overhaul, "heavy maintenance," intermediate level maintenance, periodic service and maintenance, preventative maintenance and repair, and alteration activities. This will be accomplished to verify that the Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry was performed in accordance with the Air Carrier's procedures. Also the inspector should verify that the individual performing the airworthiness release was appropriately certificated with the proper authorization. Further, the inspector should ensure that the release was accomplished within the time limitations identified in the Air Carrier's policies and procedures.

Related EPIs:

- 1.1.1 Aircraft Airworthiness (AW)
- 1.1.2 Appropriate Operational Equipment (AW)
- 1.2.2 Major Repairs and Alterations Records (AW)
- 1.2.3 Maintenance Log / Recording Requirements (AW)
- 1.3.3 Maintenance Facility / Main Maintenance Base (AW)
- 1.3.4 Required Inspection Items (RII) (AW)
- 1.3.5 MEL / CDL / Deferred Maintenance (AW)
- 5.1.1 Line Stations (AW)

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To meet this objective, the inspector will accomplish the following tasks (at the inspection locations where applicable):

1. Review the FAA Guidance and Specific Regulatory Requirements (SRR) included in the supplemental information section of this EPI.
2. Review the associated SAI, with emphasis on the Controls Attribute section.
3. Review the Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry policies and procedures.
4. Review Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entries.

To meet this objective, the inspector will answer the following questions:

1. Were the following performance measures met:

<i>1.1 The Air Carrier and its maintenance providers prepared an Airworthiness Release /Logbook Entry in accordance with their policies and procedures.[SRR 121.709 (b)(1)]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
<i>1.2 The Airworthiness Release /Logbook Entry is provided to the flight crew in accordance with the Air Carrier’s policies and procedures.[SRR 121.709 (c)]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
<i>1.3 The Air Carrier maintained a record of the Airworthiness Release or Logbook Entries in accordance with its policies and procedures. [SRR 121.709 (c)]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
<i>1.4 The Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry was signed by a certificated person in accordance with the Air Carrier’s policies and procedures.[SRR 121.709 (b)(3)]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
2. Were the Air Carrier’s Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry procedures followed?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
3. Were the Air Carrier’s Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry controls followed?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
4. Did the Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry records comply with the Air Carrier’s procedures?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
5. <Deleted>		

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

SRRs:

- 14 CFR 121.367 (c), “Maintenance, preventive maintenance, and alterations programs.”
- 14 CFR 121.375, “Maintenance and Preventive Maintenance Training Program.”
- 14 CFR 121.380 (a), “Maintenance recording requirements.”
- 14 CFR 121.709 (a-c), “Airworthiness release or aircraft log entry.”

Other CFRs and FAA Guidance:

- 14 CFR 121.701, “Maintenance Log Aircraft.”
- 14 CFR 121.709 (d), “Maintenance, preventive maintenance, and alterations programs.”
- FAA Order 8300.10 Vol. 2, Chap. 63, Sect. 1, Par. 5, “Evaluate FAR Part 121/135.411 (a) (2) Company Manual/Revision.”
- HBAW 98-02, “Evaluation of 14 CFR Parts 121/135 Air Carrier's Maintenance Record keeping System.”
- HBAW 96-05, as revised, “Air Carrier Operations Specifications Authorization To Make Arrangements With Other Organizations To Perform Substantial Maintenance.”
- FSAW 97-14, “Additional Maintenance Requirements for Operational Approval of Operators Requesting RVSM Approval.”
- Refer to Advisory Circulars using a search engine (such as ATP Navigator or Summit).