

Element Performance Inspection (EPI)

1.3.24 Coordinating Agencies for Suppliers Evaluation (CASE) (AW)

Purpose of this Element (Air Carrier's responsibility):

The Air Carrier provides policies/procedures for their participation in the Coordinating Agencies for Suppliers Evaluation (CASE) in accordance with Maintenance Operations Specification D90.

Objective (FAA responsibility):

To determine if the Air Carrier follows its policies and procedures for meeting the CASE program.

Specific Instructions for this EPI:

To accomplish this EPI, the inspector should familiarize himself/herself with the Air Carrier's policies/procedures for Coordinating Agencies for Suppliers Evaluation (CASE) The inspector shall perform this inspection at various locations where the Air Carrier manages the CASE program.

Related EPIs:

- 1.1.1 Aircraft Airworthiness (AW)
- 1.2.3 Maintenance Log / Recording Requirements (AW)
- 1.3.2 Inspection Program (AW)
- 1.3.7 Outsource Organization (AW)
- 1.3.8 Control of Calibrated Tools and Test Equipment (AW)
- 1.3.10 Parts / Material Control / SUP (AW)
- 1.3.11 Continuous Analysis and Surveillance (CAS) (AW)
- 1.3.14 General Maintenance Manual / Equivalent (AW)
- 1.3.16 Fueling (AW)
- 1.3.18 De-Icing Program (AW)
- 2.1.1 Manual Currency (AW / OP)
- 2.1.2 Content Consistency Across Manuals (AW / OP)
- 2.1.3 Distribution (Manuals) (AW / OP)
- 2.1.4 Availability (Manuals) (AW / OP)
- 4.1.2 Maintenance Certificate Requirements (AW)
- 4.2.1 Maintenance Training Program (AW)
- 7.1.1 Director of Maintenance (AW)
- 7.1.2 Chief Inspector (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 included in the supplemental information section of this EPI.
2. Review the associated SAI, with emphasis on the Controls Attribute section.
3. Review the Air Carrier’s policies and procedures for Coordinating Agencies for Suppliers Evaluation (CASE) process.
4. Discuss the Coordinating Agencies for Suppliers Evaluation (CASE) procedures with appropriate personnel.
5. Review and assess appropriate records for Coordinating Agencies for Suppliers Evaluation (CASE).

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

1. Were the following performance measures met:		
<i>1.1 The Air Carrier complies with the CASE provisions of the Operations Specifications.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
<i>1.2 The Air Carrier maintains a list that differentiates between CASE and non-CASE vendors/suppliers/Outsource Organizations.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
<i>1.3 The Air Carrier audits the policies and procedures that manage the CASE Program to ensure that it complies with the Operations Specifications Paragraph D090.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
<i>1.4 The Air Carrier performs a self-audit of their CASE policies and procedures to ensure that they comply with the CASE Program.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
2. Were the written procedures adhered to for the CASE process?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
3. Were the identified controls adhered to for the CASE process?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:
4. Did the records comply with the Air Carrier’s CASE policies and procedures?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	If no, explain:

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

SRRs:

There are no Specific Regulatory Requirements. The Coordinating Agencies for Suppliers Evaluation (C.A.S.E.) Program is a means of qualifying a vendor for compliance with 14 CFR 121.373.

Other CFRs and FAA Guidance:

- 14 CFR 121.363 (a, b), “Responsibility for airworthiness.”
- 14 CFR 121.367 (a-c), “Maintenance, preventive maintenance, and alterations programs.”
- 14 CFR 121.373 (a, b), “Continuous Analysis and Surveillance.”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 2, Chap 64, “Evaluate Continuous Airworthiness Maintenance Program/Revision.”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 2, Chap 80, “Evaluate Short-term Escalation Procedures.”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 2, Chap. 84, “CFR Part 121 Operations Specifications”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 2, Chap. 95, “Evaluate FAR Part 121 Operator/Applicants for participation in Coordinating Agencies for Supplier’s Evaluation (C.A.S.E.).”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 3, Chap. 45, “Surveillance of 121/135 Operators Participating in Coordinating Agencies for Supplier’s Evaluation (C.A.S.E.).”
- HBAW 97-06, “FAA Policy Regarding Segmented Inspections and Built-In Inspections Tolerances (WINDOWS) in Continuous Airworthiness Maintenance Programs (CAMP).”
- Maintenance Planning Document (MPD).”
- Operations Specifications Paragraph D090.
- Refer to Advisory Circulars using a search engine (such as ATP Navigator or Summit).