

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

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## **SUBJ:** U.S. Part 145 Repair Stations With EASA Part-145 Authorization Conducting Maintenance on EASA-Registered/Type Certificated Aircraft or Articles Only

**1. Purpose of This Notice.** This notice provides guidance about the approval and limits of a U.S.-based European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) Part-145 authorization. Each U.S.-based Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 145 repair station that also holds an EASA Part-145 certificate under the terms of the Bilateral Aviation Safety Agreement (BASA) and wants to work on parts installed on Sukhoi Superjet aircraft (SSJ100) has to apply to their overseeing Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) in writing, detailing their need and the part numbers that cannot be issued a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Form 8130-3, Authorized Release Certificate, Airworthiness Approval Tag. The repair station must provide evidence that they hold current applicable maintenance data for these parts.

**2.** Audience. The primary audience for this notice is Flight Standards Service personnel who have oversight of U.S.-based part 145 certificates with EASA Part-145 authorization. The secondary audience includes Flight Standards Office of Safety Standards divisions, Safety Assurance branches, and all certificate-holding district offices (CHDO).

**3. Where You Can Find This Notice.** You can find this notice on the MyFAA employee website at https://employees.faa.gov/tools\_resources/orders\_notices. Inspectors can access this notice through the Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS) at http://fsims.avs.faa.gov. Operators can find this notice on the FAA's website at http://fsims.faa.gov. This notice is available to the public at http://www.faa.gov/regulations\_policies/orders\_notices.

**4. Background.** This notice supports a deviation processed in accordance with the Maintenance Annex Guidance (MAG), Section B, Appendix 1, Paragraph 5, Approval Basis and Limitation.

**a.** Compliance with Guidance and Regulations. EASA approval is based upon compliance with 14 CFR parts 43 and 145, except where it is varied by the special conditions specified in the MAG and associated guidance. However, this approval must not exceed the ratings permitted by Regulation (EU) No. 1321/2014, Easy Access Rules for Continuing Airworthiness.

**b.** Scope of Maintenance Work Approved. The approval of maintenance work is limited to the scope of work permitted under the current certificate issued by the FAA to the repair station in accordance with part 145 for work carried out within the United States.

**5. FAA/EASA Policy.** Based on the principle of mutual assistance, the FAA (or EASA) should allow the concerned repair stations to work on these parts under their FAA approval and use FAA Form 8130-3 to return them to service.

**a.** Conditions for FAA Oversight. The FAA can perform oversight on behalf of EASA, subject to the following conditions:

(1) Oversight is limited to Sukhoi SSJ100-specific components and only on request (formal application by the repair station).

(2) The FAA authorizes a greater scope of approval for the repair station and include performance of these repairs in its capability list (CL).

(3) Special conditions demonstrate the specific need.

(4) The FAA grants approval to expand scope, amending the repair station's operations specifications (OpSpecs) to include SSJ100 parts.

(5) The FAA includes details about the applicability and restrictions on FAA Form 8130-3, block 12.

**b. Reciprocity.** The reciprocity of the above policy is ensured by applying similar procedures to similar cases where a product is certificated only under the jurisdiction of one of the Technical Agents (TA) (FAA or EASA).

**6.** Action. The organization will add the articles with respective part numbers to their OpSpecs or FAA-acceptable CL, marking the part numbers and identifying these articles in the limitation section as "EASA release only."

**a.** Surveillance of Articles for EASA Release Only. Surveillance for the articles for EASA release only will be conducted in accordance with the MAG and FAA Order 8900.1.

**b.** FAA Form 8310-3. A part 145 certificated repair station which also holds EASA Part-145 certification and performs maintenance, preventive maintenance, and/or alterations to the Sukhoi SSJ100 or component parts thereof, may complete FAA Form 8130-3 in accordance with the provisions of the U.S.-EU BASA. The final release should be issued with the following statements listed below in the specified blocks:

(1) In block 14a, check only the box stating "Other regulation specified in Block 12." Do not check the box stating "14 CFR 43.9 Return to Service."

(2) In block 12, the following text should be inserted: "Certifies that the work specified in block 11/12 was carried out in accordance with EASA Part-145 and, in respect to that work, the component is considered ready for release to service under EASA Part-145 approval

no.\_\_\_\_\_. The final assembly is eligible to be installed on an EU-registered aircraft. The product or article, unless subjected to additional airworthiness determinations in accordance with 14 CFR parts 43 and 145, may not be installed on an aircraft having a U.S. airworthiness certificate, or on an airframe, aircraft engine, propeller, appliance, or component part of such aircraft."

**7. Deviations From This Notice.** It is necessary to adhere to the guidance in this notice to achieve uniform administration of this directive material. The Aircraft Maintenance Division (AFS-300) must approve any deviations from this notice.

**8. Disposition.** We will incorporate the information in this notice into FAA Order 8900.1 before this notice expires, and the MAG will be updated to reflect this policy. Direct questions, suggestions, or comments concerning the information in this notice to AFS-300 at 202-267-1675.

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