INTRODUCTION TO THE U.S./EC AVIATION SAFETY AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY ON COOPERATION IN THE REGULATION OF CIVIL AVIATION SAFETY
Introduction

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» NEW Agreement & Annexes

» Maintenance Annex Guidance
  - Section A – Authority to Authority
  - Section B – U.S. Based Repair Stations
  - Section C – EU Based Maintenance Organisations

» Supplement Example
What is the Bilateral Agreement?

- Bilateral agreement
  - It is a cooperative agreement between the United States and the European Union
  - Reduces redundant regulatory oversight
  - Minimize duplication of effort, increase efficiency
  - Build a partnership of competent civil aviation safety regulatory authorities
What is a Bilateral Agreement? (Continued)

- Bilateral Agreement

  - **Does not relieve** FAA, EASA and the AA’s of their statutory responsibilities to “make findings of compliance” with regulations; however...

  - **Does provide** an alternative means for the Authorities to make their findings,” using the system of the other signatory country to the maximum extent practicable
Bilateral Agreement

Is between the United States and European Union, not industry

Promotes *reciprocal acceptance* of findings and approvals, *not mutual recognition*

Is based on systems that produce equivalent results, though processes and procedures may be different

Is based on acceptance of a *system*. 
The U.S./EU Aviation Safety Agreement

- The agreement with the European Union is an agreement “On Cooperation in the Regulation of Civil Aviation Safety.”
- The Agreement and it’s Annexes may be found at
- The Executive Agreement and its Annexes are **BINDING** in international law
Introduction to the New U.S./EU Aviation Safety Agreement

Aviation Safety Agreement covers:

- Airworthiness and environmental certification,
  and
- Maintenance
Components of the New Aviation Safety Agreement Format

Safety Agreement between the United States and European Union

- Executive Agreement Tier 1
- Annexes Tier 2
  - Annex 1: Airworthiness and Environmental Certification
  - Annex 2: Maintenance

Between the FAA and EASA

- Technical Implementation Procedures
- Maintenance Annex Guidance

Level of detail increases with each tier
The Executive Agreement is an umbrella agreement defining U.S./EU cooperation in aviation safety.

It is unique in that the agreement is with the EU, not with an individual country.
- Applicable to the United States and EU Member States contained in Annex 2, Appendix 2

In other words, this agreement is the first aviation safety bilateral that is multilateral in its scope.
The purposes of this Agreement are to:

- Enable the reciprocal acceptance of findings of compliance and approval issued by the Technical Agents and Aviation Authorities
- Promote a high degree of safety in air transport
- Ensure the continuation of the high level of regulatory cooperation and harmonization between the United States and the European Union
Executive Agreement

The scope of cooperation under this Agreement is:

- Airworthiness approvals and monitoring of civil Aeronautical products.
- Environmental testing and approvals of civil aeronautical products; and
- Approvals and monitoring of maintenance facilities
Executive Agreement

- **New provisions in Executive Agreement:**
  - Regulatory cooperation
    - This requires the Technical Agents to develop and adopt procedures for regulatory cooperation

- **Formal oversight board**
  - Bilateral Oversight Board (BOB) defined in Article 3 of the executive agreement

- **Detailed dispute resolution provisions**

- **Procedures for the suspension of acceptance of findings of compliance and approvals**

- **Additional details in the Annexes to the Agreement**
Executive Agreement

The Executive Agreement contains 19 articles and two annexes.

- Annex 1: Airworthiness and Environmental Certification
- Annex 2: Maintenance

Annex 2 of the Agreement mandates the JMCB to develop Guidance Material. This guidance is known as the Maintenance Annex Guidance (MAG).
The Bilateral Oversight Board is composed of representatives of:

- The United States of America, which shall be the Federal Aviation Administration (co-chair)

- The European Union, which shall be the European Commission (co-chair) assisted by the European Aviation Safety Agency

- The Certification Oversight Board (COB) and the Joint Maintenance Coordination Board (JMCB) report to the BOB
The Certification Oversight Board is established under Annex 1 of the Agreement as a joint technical coordination body, that includes:

- Representatives from each Technical Agent responsible for airworthiness and environmental certification, quality management systems and rulemaking.
The Joint Maintenance Coordination Board is established under Annex 2 of the Agreement as a joint technical coordination body which has been established under the joint leadership of:

- The EASA Director responsible for Organisation Approvals and
- the FAA Director of Flight Standards (AFS-1)
JMCB General

Joint Maintenance Coordination Board Leadership

**EASA**
Director responsible for Organization Approvals

**FAA**
Director of Flight Standards (AFS-1)
The JMCB is required to:

- Meet at least once a year to ensure the effective functioning of the Maintenance Annex
- Report unresolved issues to the Bilateral Oversight Board (BOB)
- Ensure the implementation of any decisions reached by the BOB

The JMCB may task sub-groups as necessary to address specific technical issues

The JMCB develops, approves, and revises the Maintenance Annex Guidance (MAG) as necessary
Annex 2, Maintenance

- Consistent with Article 4.A. of the Agreement
  Annex 2 covers the reciprocal acceptance of findings of compliance, approvals, documentation, and technical assistance regarding approvals and monitoring of repair stations/maintenance organizations

- Identifies differences (Special Conditions) that must be addressed during certification
Annex 2 (Key Points)

- Outlines the procedures for implementing the provisions of the agreement that apply to maintenance.

- BASA/MIP’s will remain in place in France, Germany & Ireland until they are transitioned to the new Agreement.
The FAA and EASA have determined the requirements in CFR Parts 43 and 145 that are not covered in the EASA rules and are contained in the FAA Special Conditions of the Maintenance Annex 2.

As a result, an AMO complying with EASA requirements and the FAA Special Conditions in the Maintenance Annex 2 complies with CFR Parts 43 and 145.
The FAA and EASA have determined the requirements in EASA Part 145 that are not covered in the FAA rules and are contained in the EASA Special Conditions of the Maintenance Annex 2.

As a result, a Repair Station complying with CFR Parts 43 and 145 and the EASA Special Conditions in the Maintenance Annex 2 complies with EASA Part 145.
The Maintenance Annex Guidance (MAG) is subdivided into sections A, B, and C.

The MAG details EASA, FAA, and applicant actions required to be taken to be in compliance with the Agreement.

The Agreement between the FAA and the EU permits reliance on each other's surveillance systems to the greatest extent possible.
The purpose of this Section A of the MAG is to define the procedures between the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and the Aviation Authorities (AAs).
Communications between authorities
The FAA, EASA, and AA’s need to keep each other informed of significant changes within their respective systems concerning:

- responsibility
- organizational structure
- significant revisions to an AMO’s systems standards or procedures
- revision by the FAA, EASA or an AA to published materials

Requirements for The Agreement training
FAA, EASA, and AA personnel should receive training in:

- maintenance annex
- special conditions, and
- certification procedures.
General

Technical Consultations and Issue Resolutions

Technical consultations between the FAA and EASA
For technical consultations the FAA Director of Flight Standards and the EASA Director responsible for Organization oversight agree to consult as necessary

Interpretations and resolution of issues between the FAA and EASA
• The FAA and EASA agree to address interpretations and resolution of issues
• Try to resolve the issues at the lowest possible level
• Procedures are in MAG, Section A, Part I, Paragraph 5
Cooperation in Quality Assurance and Standardization Activities

- FAA and EASA focal points should meet and communicate on a regular basis
- Allow for mutual attendance as observers in each other’s activities
MAG Section A: Part II

Standardization of EU Member States

- FAA involvement as observers
- Conduct of inspection
- On site visits
- Inspection reports of Aviation Authority
- Regulations and procedures
- EASA verification of compliance with terms of The Agreement
Implementation of the EU-EASA Standardization in EU Member States

• Are carried out in accordance with the applicable EASA regulations
  
  – Used to establish the EASA working methods of Standardization Teams for conducting inspections within the European Union
Flight Standards Evaluation Program (FSEP)

• The Agreement allows for EASA participation as an observer in FAA FSEP internal audits

• EASA participation is limited to CFR parts 43 and 145, and EASA Special Conditions
In order to promote continued understanding and compatibility in each other’s maintenance systems, FAA and EASA need to consult and share information on quality assurance and standardization activities. This is achieved through these four programs, processes, and systems:

**In the European Member States**
- EASA Standardisation Inspections (By EASA)
- EU Sampling Inspection System (By FAA)

**In the United States of America**
- Flight Standards Evaluation Program (By FAA)
- US Sampling Inspection System (By EASA)
FAA Responsibilities:

**Sampling Inspection Schedule:**

- Eastern Region Coordinator will develop the FAA Sampling System schedule using objective criteria.
- Frequency may be tied to successful implementation of the EASA audit program of FAA Special Conditions.
- Annual schedule must be provided in advance to EASA for coordination with the Aviation Authorities.
A SIS sampling visit schedule is established by the EASA Directorate responsible for Standardization to check that the Agreement is being implemented in the United States in accordance with its terms.
EASA Sampling Inspection System in the US

EASA monitors FAA compliance with the Agreement

- Mode of operation
- Forms used
- Files kept
EASA Sampling Inspection System in the US

- EASA provides the FAA National Coordinator with an annual schedule of regions to be visited.
- The FAA National Coordinator advises the appropriate Regional Coordinator(s).
- The FAA Regional Coordinator coordinates and attends the Sampling Inspection System visit.

The principal inspector responsible for the repair station visited should accompany the SIS team.
FAA Administrative Duties
Principal Inspector will provide the following information to EASA through the Regional Office:

• The repair station VIS data
• Hotel information
• Ground transportation Information
• Meet the EASA team at the hotel (at a minimum the morning of the first day)
EASA visit

**FSDO:**
- Briefing of FAA and Industry
- Review of Files of EASA approved repair stations
- Interviews of Inspectors
- Review of EASA Training

**Sample Repair stations:**
- Review of a complete repair process including all required facilities
- Review of release documentation (8130-3 Dual Release)
- Review of Quality Management system and audit reports
- Interview of management staff and inspectors
MAG Section A: Part II

EASA Sampling Inspection System in the US

Forms used:

SIS Form 8 US, visit report of organisation

SIS Form 10 US, visit report of FSDO
SIS team Findings:

- It is the FAA inspectors responsibility to ensure satisfactory corrective action is taken with the repair station Form 8 findings.

- The FAA Regional Coordinator needs to be kept informed of any proposed action. The Regional Coordinator will report to EASA.

- The Joint Maintenance Coordination Board (JMCB) will perform an annual review of SIS findings and corrective actions.

While not explicitly stated in the MAG, the FAA FSDO, Regional Coordinator, and Principal Inspector all have responsibilities in this area.
FAA and EASA
Reciprocal Acceptance of Repair Data within the United States and European Union

Presented to: Workshop on the Implementation of Annex 2 (Maintenance) to the Agreement between USA and EU
Briefing Points

- The FAA and EASA have agreed to reciprocal acceptance of repair data.
  - Implemented through the new US/EU Aviation Safety Agreement, effective May 1, 2011
    - Annex 1, paragraph 3.2.7
    - Technical Implementation Procedures, paragraph 3.3
  - Implemented prior to May 2011 through Bilateral Aviation Safety Agreements Implementation Procedures for Airworthiness with 6 EU member states.
Briefing Points

- FAA and EASA will accept each others approved repair design data regardless of State of Design of the component/product.

Two processes established:

- Streamlined Reciprocal Acceptance of repair data for non-critical components and critical components developed by the TC/STC holder
- Formal approval of critical component repair data developed by a third party
Process 1: Streamlined acceptance of repair data

US to EUROPE:

» EASA has certificated/validated the product or appliance, i.e. the product has an EASA TC/STC or ETSO approval.

» FAA is the authority of the State of Design for the repair design data.

» Data approved using the FAA system, major repair data approval via an FAA letter, FAA Form 8110-3, 8100-9 or 337
EUROPE to US:

- FAA has certificated/validated the product, part, appliance or component (i.e. the product has an FAA TC/STC or TSO approval).
- EASA is acting on behalf of the State of Design for the repair design data.
EUROPE to US continued:

- EASA repair design data approval is substantiated via an EASA repair design approval letter or a repair design approval issued under a Design Organisation Approval (DOA), and

- The repair is not in an area that is subject to an FAA AD, unless the AD allows for acceptance of an EASA repair design approval.
Acceptance of repair data

FAA and EASA have agreed to accept each other’s systems for the classification and approval of repair data.

Data must have a local approval.

- FAA approval for repairs designed in the US system;
- EASA approval for repairs designed in the EU system

Remember, FAA or EASA must approve/accept the repair design data under its own system before the other bilateral partner can accept it.
Formal Approval of Critical Component Repair Data (by other than the TC/STC holder)

» Make application through FAA/EASA:
  » Fast track process when the FAA or EASA can confirm that the applicant has entered into an arrangement with the TC/STC holder for this data.
  » Validation process is required when there is no arrangement with the TC/STC holder.
  » FAA or EASA will issue its own approval of the critical component repair.
FAA and EASA will accept each others approved repair design data regardless of State of Design of the component/product.

Critical components will require additional review.
Certification process for US based Repair Stations
Understanding the EU/US Agreement

Maintenance Annex Guidance (MAG)

HOW a repair station in the US ...

... may qualify for EASA approval
Overview

Certification Process for US Based Repair Stations (Applicable to Industry/Authority)

- Initial Certification Process
- Renewal Certification Process
- Significant Findings and Enforcement Action
- Extensions
- Change / Amendment Certification Process
- Compliance with EASA ratings – Annex II Commission Regulation (EC) 2042/2003
- Work Away from a Fixed Location
- Revocation and Suspension
- Appeal and Conflict Resolution
- Transition
- Appendices and Forms
Objectives

The FAA should be able to:

- Assist applicants on initial, continuation and amendment approval as per the Maintenance Agreement with EASA
- Determine the roles and responsibilities required to complete the flow of actions for certification (initial, renewal, amendment) contained in the MAG Section B
- Identify the basic requirements and formal processes relating to EASA approval under MAG Section B
- Review an applicant’s EASA Supplement as specified in MAG Section B
- Describe the actions required to accept revisions to an EASA Supplement on behalf of EASA
- Identify and complete the required forms to complete the certification process
- Determine the requirements for making a recommendation for EASA approval
Initial Certification Process

Key Concepts

The Process:
- Who has to take action
- Who needs to be informed
- When the action is taken
- What forms are needed
- Which are the official reference documents
- What needs to be done in case of significant findings or certificate action
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**Submit: to FAA**

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| 4. EASA      | • Review, and take appropriate action. Invoice the applicant.  
               • Issue EASA Form 3 approval certificate |
| 5. FAA       | • The Regional Coordinator forwards a copy of the EASA certificate to FAA Principal Inspector.  
               • FAA Inspector adds the EASA Supplementary conditions for future FAA oversight audits of the repair station. |
### Initial Certification Process

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Additional Guidance

This package must be submitted to the supervising FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) at least 60 days prior to the date initial approval is required.

MAG B, Appendix 2 – EASA Form 16
MAG B, Appendix 1 – Example EASA Supplement
The repair station must submit written confirmation of the need for an EASA Part-145 Approval which may be in the form of a letter of intent, a work order or a contract with details of the relevant customer.

A relevant customer may be an EASA Part-145 approved maintenance organization, a European operator or distributor, broker or leasing company.
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**MAG B, Appendix 1 - Example EASA Supplement**  
**MAG B, Appendix 3 - EASA Form 9**

### Additional Guidance

- Part 1 of EASA Form 9 List the Repair Station Details.
- Part 2 of EASA Form 9 is the EASA Supplement Compliance Audit.
- The Line Station component is item 19 in Part 2 of EASA Form 9.
- **FAA Inspectors are not required to check that the prescribed EASA fee has been paid**
## Initial Certification Process

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| EASA         | • EASA reviews the package and takes appropriate action.  
               • Sends an invoice to the applicant  
               • Issues an EASA Form 3 approval certificate, with a two year validity period  
               • List the approved organization on the EASA Web site |

[EASA Web site](#)
### Initial Certification Process

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| **5. FAA**   | • Enter FAA Certification and EASA Approval into the FAA repair station file  
• Add EASA *Supplementary conditions* to all future FAA oversight audits (PTRS)  
• Update Vital Information Subsystem (VIS), using EASA web listing renewal date |

### Additional Guidance

- [EASA Supplement Compliance Audit](#)  
- [Line Maintenance (Line Station) Authorization Compliance](#)
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<td>EASA sends the invoice to the applicant (this does not free the approval holder from his obligation to track the due date of his EASA certificate)</td>
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<td>• Comply with EASA fees</td>
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<td>• Makes a recommendation to EASA on EASA Form 9.</td>
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<td>• Retains a copy of the application package</td>
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<td>• Advises EASA of any serious failure to comply with CFR part 145 on EASA Form 9</td>
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<td>4. EASA</td>
<td>EASA reviews the application for compliance with the Agreement. If conditions are met, EASA Form 3 approval certificate will be issued stating the new renewal date</td>
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<td>5. FAA Regional Coordinator</td>
<td>Forwards a copy of the EASA certificate to the appropriate FAA Principal Inspector who updates office file and VIS as appropriate</td>
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<td>EASA sends the invoice to the applicant (app.90 days in advance)</td>
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**Reminder**

Approval Holder is responsible to monitor due date of his EASA certificate !!
Renewal Certification Process

### Organization
### Action

Submits to FAA:

2. Applicant

- Proof of need.
- Two copies of EASA Form 16, and a copy of the Air Agency Certificate and associated Operations Specifications.
- EASA Supplement to the RSM/QCM if revised.

### Additional Guidance

The renewal date is stated on the certificate and is also published on the EASA Web site.

[Visit EASA Web site](EASA Web site)
## Renewal Certification Process

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| 3. FAA       | • Make a recommendation to EASA on EASA Form 9  
|              | • Submit recommendation package to EASA  
|              | • Retain a copy of the application package  
|              | • Advise EASA of any serious failure to comply with CFR part 145 on EASA Form 9 |

**MAG B, II.3**  
**MAG B, Appendix 3 - EASA Form 9 FAA Recommendation**

### Additional Guidance

FAA Inspectors are not required to check that the prescribed EASA fee has been paid.
Renewal Certification Process

FAA Action

Recommendation for Continuation

The FAA may make a recommendation for renewal resulting from a successful assessment. The following items should not prevent a positive recommendation when the repair station has taken corrective action or has submitted a plan for corrective action accepted by the FAA.

- Serious failure to comply with EASA requirements
- Overall failure to comply with the EASA supplementary conditions
- Failure to use FAA-approved data for major repairs/alterations/modifications
- Failure of the repair station to maintain a working quality monitoring system
Renewal Certification Process

FAA Action

Non-recommendation for Continuation

The FAA should make a non-recommendation to EASA when the following reportable items have not been corrected or when an corrective action plan has not been submitted and accepted by the FAA:

• Serious failure to comply with EASA requirements (this includes CFR 14 Part 145 and 43)
• Overall failure to comply with the EASA supplementary conditions
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• Failure of the repair station to maintain a working quality monitoring system
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<td>• EASA reviews the application for compliance with the Agreement</td>
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<td>• Forwards EASA Form 3 with a new due date to the Repair Station - Copy to Regional Coordinator</td>
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Renewal Certification Process

**IN CASE OF:**
Significant Findings and/or Enforcement Action

- FAA completes EASA non-recommendation Form 9
- When EASA receives a non-recommendation it **may** formally suspend the approval
- EASA formally notifies the Repair Station
- EASA Web site will be updated

Extensions (in case the renewal date was missed)

- EASA may grant an extension for a maximum of 60 days subject to FAA confirmation via Form 9
### MAG Section B: Part II

# Renewal Certification Process

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| **5. FAA (Region)** | • Forward a copy of the EASA Form 3 with a new renewal date to the appropriate FAA Principal Inspector.  
• The FAA Inspector will update office file and VIS as appropriate |
Any change of name including “doing business as” (dba) names, change of address of the Approved Facility, or a change of Repair Station number requires the EASA certificate to be re-issued.

Evidence of need not required

Contact Information Change

Re-issue EASA certificate
Change/Amendment Certification Process – Overview

Overview: Send to the supervising FSDO:
- Two copies of the EASA Form 16
- Amendments to the supplement

1. Applicant
- Review the Repair Station’s submitted documents
- Complete any inspection required by the change using EASA Form 9
- Forward all required documents to EASA.

2. FAA
- Review the application for compliance with the Agreement.

3. EASA
- Issue a revised certificate to the Approval Holder with a copy to the FAA EASA Regional Office Coordinator.
- Update EASA Web site.
### Overview

#### Action

- **5. FAA**
  - Inform EASA regarding any change to the:
    - Repair Station Certificate
    - Operations Specifications
    - Ratings

- **6. EASA**
  - Acknowledge receipt of completed recommendations to the FAA
### MAG Section B: Part III

#### Change/Amendment Certification Process

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                • The FAA PI should enter any changes into the FAA repair station file |
Change/Amendment Certification Process

Organization | Action
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FAA | Whenever there is a change that includes additional line stations or fixed locations, the FAA shall forward to EASA:

- A copy of the Amended Supplement page for Line Stations or operations specifications
- A completed EASA Form 9 recommendation
For a One Time Special Circumstance.

If the EASA supplement or the RSM/QCM does not have a written procedure for work away from its fixed location, the repair station must notify EASA in advance of doing the work.

On a reoccurring basis when necessary

subject to approval contained in FAA Operations Specification D100, and only as necessary to perform emergency or non-routine maintenance limited to urgent defect rectification, or repair work on an EU Registered aircraft, or articles intended for fitment on EU registered aircraft.
An EASA Part-145 Approval may be suspended or revoked by EASA if the certificate becomes invalid under the conditions specified in the Agreement, the Maintenance Annex, applicable regulations, or if the organization fails to comply with the Agency’s fees and charges regulation.

EASA shall notify the holder of an EASA Part-145 Approval in writing about any suspension or revocation including the option for the organization to appeal the decision in accordance with Article 44 of Regulation (EC) No. 216/2008.

The FAA EASA Regional Office Coordinator will forward a copy of the EASA documentation on the suspension or revocation action to the assigned FAA Principal Inspector.
If the Repair Station Certificate holder does not accept the suspension or revocation, he/she may request the Executive Director of EASA to initiate a conflict resolution process. The Executive Director shall, after consultation of the Panel of Experts and with reference to internal procedures in maintenance matters, provide his decision with respect to the suspension/revocation.
Why is Conflict Resolution so Important?

» Both governments are committed to a smoothly functioning agreement

» Both, EASA and our FAA partners are committed to continuous improvement. This extends to our international relationships as well as domestic ones

» The FAA’s and EASA’s stakeholders, U.S. and EU industry, expect to benefit from the reciprocal acceptance under this agreement

Conflict resolution begins with each of us
EU-US Bilateral: Long way to ...

- Agreement signed in 2008
- Diplomatic Notes exchanged March 15, 2011
- Bilateral Agreement entered into force on May 1, 2011
Approvals deemed valid in accordance with Annex 2 paragraph 8 of the Agreement are valid for a period of up to 2 years from the entry into force of the Agreement, subject to the following transition provisions:

- From the entry into force of the Agreement, Initial applications shall be recommended using the MAG Section B procedures Part I.
- From the entry into force of the Agreement, Renewal of approvals shall be recommended using MAG Section B procedures Part II.
From the entry into force of the Agreement, Amendment of approvals shall be recommended using MAG Section B procedures Part III.

The current FAA certificate and Operations Specifications shall be reviewed to ensure that the FAA scope does not exceed the EASA ratings system.

The EASA shall produce a transition matrix for all approvals covered by this paragraph in conjunction with the FAA.
For a period of 3 months following the entry into force of the Agreement, EASA may extend the continuation period of existing approvals for a maximum of 90 days in order to align the approvals with the Agreement and the associated guidance material.

From the entry into force of the Agreement, Extensions to the Continuation of approvals shall be recommended using MAG Section B procedures Part III.
Approvals deemed valid at the time of entry into force of the new Agreement are valid for a period of up to two years, depending on the renewal date.

Approvals that are due in 2011 can be recommended under the old provisions with an old supplement (MIP-G)

Thereafter renewal only with a new supplement using new Form 9 and new Form 16 (MAG)

All EASA approval holders must have a new supplement in place latest

31 December 2012
WHERE

Bilateral Agreement, Annexes, Maintenance Annex Guidance MAG and Technical Implementation Procedures TIP

http://www.easa.europa.eu

http://www.faa.gov/aircraft/repair

Online TRAINING:
https://av-info.faa.gov/DsgReg/sections.aspx
EASA Supplement
Addresses why the Supplement is necessary

A CFR part 145 Repair Station can be EASA Part-145 approved when the Repair Station complies with the CFR parts 145 and 43

AND the EASA Special Conditions

EASA Part-145 is a European requirement similar to CFR part 145
Understanding the EASA Supplement

This example EASA Supplement gives guidance on the subjects which need to be addressed and translated into working procedures to ensure compliance with EASA Special Conditions.

The Supplement must therefore be customized to satisfy the specific Repair Station procedures.
EASA Supplement Index

- List of Effective Pages
- Amendment Procedure
- Introduction
- Accountable Manager Commitment Statement
- Approval Basis and Limitation
- Access by EASA and FAA
- Work Orders / Contracts
- Approved Design and Repair Data
- Airworthiness Directives
- Release of Components after Maintenance

- Certificate of Airworthiness (C of A) validity
- Release of A/C after Maintenance
- Reporting of Un-airworthy conditions
- Quality Monitoring System (QM)
- Provision of Hangar Space for A/C maintenance
- Contracted Maintenance
- Human Factor
- Line Stations
- Work away from a fixed location
List of Effective Pages

- This section should contain the list of pages that are still effective at the date of last revision.
- It should bear the required signatures and appropriate reference to relevant documentation.
Amendment Procedure

- Description of procedures to ensure that EASA Supplement stays current

- Identification of responsibilities for amendment and FAA acceptance

- Failure to ensure that the CFR part 145 RSM/QCM and this EASA Supplement are kept up to date could invalidate the EASA Approval

- EASA Supplement revisions must be accepted by the FAA prior to implementation or incorporation into the manual system
Accountable Manager’s Commitment Statement

- Ensures that the repair station complies with applicable regulations
- Must be signed by the Accountable Manager
- The Accountable Manager must have full financial authority
- Every newly appointed Accountable Manager must sign the statement (amendment procedure)
EASA approval is based on compliance with 14 CFR parts 43 and 145 plus Special Conditions.

The approval of maintenance is limited to the scope of work permitted under the current FAA certificate.
EASA and the FAA will be allowed unrestricted access ("foreign officials")

Repair Station acceptance of investigation and enforcement actions by EASA

Procedure for Repair Station cooperation
Work Orders / Contracts

Procedures used by the Repair Station to ensure that work orders and contracts:

- Must be understandable
- Must specify exactly what should be done
- Must ensure completeness and compliance
- All required work must be stated by the customer
- The work order form must contain all the relevant data and information
Approved Design and Repair Data

Procedures used by the Repair Station for acceptance of data that has already been approved by the FAA or EASA:

- Automatic acceptance
  - Major repair data
  - Minor repair data
  - Acceptable under 14 CFR part 43

Formal approval
- Repairs to critical components
Procedures for how the Repair Station:

- Ensures it has EASA ADs for the work it performs under it’s ratings
- Manages and controls the distribution and use of ADs
- Ensure applicable EASA ADs will be made available to its personnel
- Ensures that the customer requests or approves performance of applicable ADs
- Records non-compliance of any applicable AD in maintenance records and transmits records to customer
- EASA AD compliance must be addressed to the customer on the return to service or appropriate aircraft record

[Link to EASA AD compliance website]

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**EASA AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVE**

**AD No.: 2011-012R1**

**Date:** 13 July 2011

**Type Approval Holder’s Name:** AIRBUS

**Type/Model designation(s):** A318, A319, A320 and A321 aeroplanes

**TCDS Number:** EASA A.064

**Foreign AD:** Not applicable

**Revision:** This AD revises EASA AD 2011-0120 dated 29 June 2011.

**ATA 53**

**Fuselage – Nuts – Inspection / Replacement**

**Manufacturer(s):** Airbus (formerly Airbus Industrie)

**Applicability:**

**Reason:**
- During structural part assembly in Airbus production line, some nuts Part Number (PN) ASNA2531-4 were found cracked. Investigations were performed to determine the batches of the affected nuts and had revealed that these nuts have been installed in production on the fuselage of aeroplanes listed in the applicability section of this AD.
- Static, fatigue and corrosion tests were performed, which demonstrated that no immediate maintenance action is necessary. However, a large number of these nuts are fitted on primary structural elements, which could have long-term consequences.
- This condition, if not corrected, could impair the structural integrity of the affected aeroplanes.

- For the reasons described above, this AD requires a detailed inspection of the affected nuts, associated corrective actions, depending on findings, and replacement of the affected P/N ASNA2531-4 nuts with new ones, having the same P/N.
- This AD has been revised to reduce the Applicability. Since no spare nuts have been delivered to operators for installation on Airbus aeroplanes, only the Models and MSN listed in the Airbus SIB are affected by this AD.
Release of Components After Maintenance

- Procedures for release to service of components
- Compliance with CFR part 43.9 and Paragraphs 7 to 10 of the Example EASA Supplement
- Issue FAA Form 8130-3 Dual Release at the completion of maintenance
- FAA Form 8130-3 maintenance release includes:
  - EASA Part-145 certifying statement
  - Specific maintenance actions, parts, and references
  - Authorized staff must be defined in the RSM/QCM

FAA Order 8130.21
Includes sample completed dual release Form 8130-3
Release of Components After Maintenance

Information regarding the acceptability of new and used components authorized for use during maintenance:

➤ New components should be traceable to the:
  ➤ OEM
  ➤ TC holder
  ➤ PC holder

➤ Used components should be traceable to approved maintenance organizations and repair stations to include life limited parts regulatory compliance records

➤ EASA accepts new and used components from Canada (Canadian Form 1)
Procedures for release to service of aircraft

Compliance with CFR part 43.9 and Paragraphs 7 to 10 and Paragraph 12 of the Example EASA Supplement

Certification statement in aircraft maintenance records could include either:

- Return to service in accordance with CFR part 43.9
- Release to service in accordance with EASA Part-145.A.50

EASA Part-145 and CFR part 145 certificate numbers must be quoted
Certificate of Airworthiness Validity

How the Repair Station ensures that both the Certificate of Airworthiness and the Airworthiness Review Certificate are valid

- Only applicable to repair stations that hold airframe or aircraft ratings,
- EU aircraft have indefinite certificates of airworthiness, their validity period is verified by an airworthiness review certificate (ARC). The airworthiness review certificate is located behind the airworthiness certificate

It is the responsibility of the Repair Station to verify that the Airworthiness Review Certificate is current
Procedures the Repair Station uses to report serious defects to EASA:

- EASA Form 44 Occurrence Reporting Form,
- FAA Form 8010-4 Malfunction Defect Report,
- FAA Service Difficulty Report
The primary objective of the QM system is to ensure the organization knows that it can deliver a safe product while remaining in compliance with CFR part 43 and 145 and EASA Special conditions.
Quality Monitoring (QM) System

Independent Audit

- A process of sample audits
- Establish audit independence
- 2 types of audits
  - Procedural
  - Product
Quality Monitoring (QM) System

Management Control and Follow Up

• A system to ensure that all independent audit findings/discrepancies are corrected

• Routine meetings enable the accountable manager to remain informed of the state of compliance and any safety issues

• This function must not be contracted to outside persons

• When applicable, each line station used by an aircraft operated under the regulatory control of an EU Member State in accordance with the MAG should be listed giving its location and the basic maintenance capability for each location
Repair Station procedures to ensure hangar space is available for maintenance of aircraft operated under the regulatory control of an EU Member State.

Applicable to repair stations with airframe and/or limited airframe ratings.
Procedures the repair station uses to ensure that contracted maintenance meets the terms of the MAG

The repair station must ensure that the other organizations are approved to EASA Part-145 for the maintenance they carry out

OR

— A non-EASA approved organization must be controlled under the same provisions as a non-certificated facility
The Repair Station’s supplement procedures shall ensure that the FAA approved initial and recurrent training program and any revision to that program includes human factors training.

The following topics should be covered:

- General / Introduction to human factors
- Safety Culture / Organizational factors
- Human Error
- Human performance & limitations
- Environment
- Procedures, information, tools and practices
- Communication
- Teamwork
- Professionalism and integrity
- Organization’s Human Factors program
Line Stations

Air Carrier

- Holds a repair station certificate
- Rated for the aircraft type/model
- Scope of work is relevant to the line station operation

- Repair Station
  - Operations Specifications D 107 authorizes line maintenance
  - European operators may not be listed on FAA Operations Specifications
  - EASA uses the term Line Stations, while the FAA uses the term Line Maintenance Authorization. In the context of the Agreement, these terms are synonymous.
Line Stations

All line stations exercising the privileges of the EASA Part-145 approval should be listed in the EASA Supplement together with associated Operator, aircraft type and primary maintenance capability. Do not list EU operators on US Operations Specifications.

Line stations are not accepted outside US territories. (subject of next MAG revision!)

Note: EASA uses the term Line Stations, while the FAA uses the term Line Maintenance Authorization in relation to CFR part 145.
Work away from Fixed Location

One Time Basis
For repair stations that do not have a D-100 Operations Specification:

Notify EASA in advance with a written letter including the following information:

- Work to be performed
- Date of work
- Customer name
- Repair Station Manual and Supplement procedures will be applied
Work away from Fixed Location

Recurring Basis:
When necessary subject to the FAA Operations Specification D100 being in place for this work:

Procedures must show how the Repair Station will comply with CFR part 145 and the EASA supplement when utilizing work away from fixed location on European Registered aircraft in emergency or non routine cases:

➤ When working away from a fixed location within the United States and its territories, the Repair Station should contact the local FSDO to obtain authorization. Notification to EASA is not necessary

➤ Within the US, EASA accepts the FAA’s procedures provided they incorporate the EASA Special Conditions
Death by powerpoint?
OR
Any Questions?