



Alternative Means of Compliance Procedure

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CAA process for Alternative Means of Compliance to an AMC

Overview

- In the EASA system, there are three main levels of Regulatory material:
 - The [Basic Regulation](#) itself, adopted by the European Parliament and the Council, binding in all its elements
 - [Implementing Rules to the Basic Regulation](#), adopted by the European Commission; and
 - [Soft law](#), adopted by EASA

- The Basic Regulation empowers EASA to develop 3 different types of soft law: Certification Specifications (CS), Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) and Guidance Material.

Acceptable Means of Compliance

- Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC)
- AMCs are non-binding standards adopted by EASA to illustrate means to establish compliance with the Basic Regulation and its Implementing Rules
- The AMCs issued by EASA are not of a legislative nature. They cannot create additional obligations on the regulated persons, who may decide to show compliance with the applicable requirements using other means. However, following AMCs leads to a presumption of compliance with the rules. National Aviation Authorities recognise compliance with an EASA AMC as compliance with the law

Alternative Means of Compliance

- Alternative Means of Compliance (AltMOC)
- Since AMC are non-binding, regulated persons (operators) may choose alternative means to comply with the rule. In this case, however, they lose the presumption of compliance provided by the EASA AMC, and need to demonstrate to National Aviation Authorities that they comply with the law
- The implementing rules for [Air Operations](#) describe the process to be used by regulated persons and National Aviation Authorities when they intend to use AltMOCs to comply with the rules

AltMOC (continued)

- ORO.GEN.120 establishes that an operator may use an AltMOC, subject to prior approval by the National Aviation Authority, and indicates what needs to be done in order to get that approval
- ARO.GEN.120 establishes the obligations on National Aviation Authorities when giving that prior approval. It also establishes how National Aviation Authorities may adopt AltMOCs themselves which can then be used by the regulated persons under their oversight

Application to Propose an Alternative Means of Compliance (AltMOC)

(in accordance with Regulation (EU) 985/2012, Annex III, ORO.GEN.120 Means of compliance)

NOTIFYING OPERATOR	
1. Operator Name	
2. Focal Point Contact Details	
ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF COMPLIANCE (AltMOC)	
3. Regulatory reference	
4. Subject	
5. Rule paragraph(s)	
6. EASA AMC(s)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Ref.: _____ No <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Summary of AltMOC	
8. Additional information (if any)	
9. Number and description of attachments	
OPERATOR: DATE AND SIGNATURE	
10. Date:	
CAA USE ONLY – DATE AND SIGNATURES – ACCEPTANCE RECOMMENDED / NOT RECOMMENDED	
11. Section / Department	
12. Date: _____	Signature: _____ FO Staff Member
13. Date: _____	Signature: _____ Flight Operations Inspector
14. Date: _____	Signature: _____ Line Manager

Summary

- If you would like to raise an AltMOC firstly discuss with your FOI/IOO
- Complete the form and submit to your FOI
- Wait for approval of the ALtMOC before using
- There may be further requests for clarification

Questions

Thank you for your attention