



CAA Decision to amend AMC and GM to UK (EU) Reg No 1178/2011 (Aircrew) Annex VII (Part-ORA) pursuant to Article 76(3) of UK Reg (EU) No 2018/1139

DECISION No. 28

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Decision amending Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) and Guidance Material (GM) for UK Reg (EU) No. 1178/2011 Annex VII (Part ORA)

Background

1. CAA UK-EU Transition Decision No. 1 dated 22 December 2020 adopted a form of Acceptable Means of Compliance (“**AMC**”) as a means by which the requirements in Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011 as retained (and amended in UK domestic law) under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (“**UK Reg (EU) No. 1178/2011**”) could be met. That decision also adopted Guidance Material (“**GM**”) as non-binding, explanatory and interpretation material on how to achieve the requirements in that Regulation.
2. Annex VII to UK Reg (EU) No. 1178/2011, contains organisation requirements for aircrew (Part-ORA). The CAA has undertaken a review of the AMC and GM contained within the document against other information already promulgated by the UK CAA, such as previously published Alternative Means of Compliance.
3. The CAA has decided to adopt revisions to the previously adopted AMC and GM in respect of that Regulation for the following reasons:
 - a. GM1 ORA.AeMC.200 Management System is deleted because UK CAA conducts oversight of AeMC management systems to ensure relevant activities are addressed; and
 - b. AMC1 ORA.AeMC.215 Facility Requirements is amended to allow for colour vision testing to include the CAD test, in support of UK AMC to MED.B.075 and to provide 3rd party provider option for exercise/cardiology testing.

Decision

4. The CAA, under Article 76(3) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, as retained (and amended in UK domestic law) under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, has decided to adopt the AMC and GM for UK Reg (EU) No. 1178/2011 Annex VII Part-ORA attached at Schedule 1.

5. The AMC and GM attached at Schedule 1 to this Decision is a restatement of the position as existed in the UK from 1 January 2021 thereby already being in force as at the date of this published Decision.
6. This Decision will remain in force unless revoked or amended by the CAA.

Definitions

All references to UK Reg (EU) 2018/1139 and to UK Reg (EU) No. 1178/2011 are to those Regulations as retained and amended in UK domestic law pursuant to the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.



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Date of Decision 4 August 2023

Schedule 1

Includes the Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) and Guidance Material (GM) documents referenced below.

The text of the amendment is arranged to show deleted text, new or amended text as shown below:

- (a) ~~Text to be deleted is shown struck through;~~
- (b) New text is highlighted in grey;
- (c) ~~Text to be deleted is shown struck through~~ followed by the replacement text which is highlighted in grey.

GM1 ORA.AeMC.200 Management system

RESEARCH

~~If aero-medical research is conducted at an AeMC, its management system should include processes to conduct that research and publish the results.~~

AMC1 ORA.AeMC.215 Facility requirements

MEDICAL-TECHNICAL FACILITIES

The medical-technical facilities of an AeMC should consist of the equipment of a general medical practice and, in addition, of:

- (a) Cardiology
Facilities to perform:
 - (1) 12-lead resting ECG;
 - ~~(2) stress ECG;~~
 - ~~(3) 24-hour blood pressure monitoring; and~~
 - (4) 24-hour heart rhythm monitoring.
- (b) Ophthalmology
Facilities for the examination of:
 - (1) near, intermediate and distant vision;
 - (2) external eye, anatomy, media and funduscopy;
 - (3) ocular motility;
 - (4) binocular vision;
 - (5) colour vision (CAD test or anomaloscopy (see MED.B.075));
 - (6) visual fields;
 - (7) refraction; and
 - (8) heterophoria
- (c) Hearing
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- (d) Otorhinolaryngology
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- (e) Examination of pulmonary function
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- (f) The following facilities should be available at the AeMC or arranged with a service provider:
 - (1) clinical laboratory facilities; and
 - (2) ultrasound of the abdomen
 - (3) stress ECG
 - (4) 24-hour blood pressure monitoring; and
 - (5) 24-hour heart rhythm monitoring