



Miscellaneous

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General Exemption E 5355

COVID-19 Outbreak: Requirements of the Airworthiness Review and the Completion of the Physical Survey Utilising Part 145 Licensed Engineers

Background

1. Following the outbreak of Covid-19, travel restrictions, imposed by the UK government, may mean that it is not possible for the physical survey of the Airworthiness Review to be carried out by the airworthiness review staff. The purpose of this exemption is to allow the continuing airworthiness management organisations responsible for the aircraft to contract an appropriately licenced engineer of a Part 145 organisation to carry out the physical survey of the aircraft at its location.
2. This exemption is granted to meet urgent operational needs of a limited duration.

Interpretation

3. In this exemption, references to EU regulations are to those regulations as retained and amended in UK domestic law under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 and are referenced hereafter as "UK (EU) Reg No. XXXX/XXXX".

Exemption

4. The CAA, on behalf of the United Kingdom, pursuant to Article 71(1) of UK (EU) Reg No. 2018/1139, hereby exempts, subject to paragraph 6, the aircraft identified in paragraph 5, from any provision in that Regulation or any Implementing Rule made thereunder which provides that the tasks included in the aircraft airworthiness review aircraft shall not be subcontracted in accordance with UK (EU) Reg No. 1321/2014, Annex I (Part M), as amended.
5. This exemption applies to any Part 21 aircraft registered in the United Kingdom and managed by a continuing airworthiness management organisation (CAMO).
6. This exemption is granted subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The airworthiness review staff are prevented or restricted from travelling to the aircraft's location to perform the physical survey of the aircraft that is required in M.A.901 (l) and (m) by the UK government placing the location of the aircraft on the UK quarantine list, where the

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country has closed its borders, the location is under national lockdown, or staff are unable to travel due to UK government medical advice.

- b. The airworthiness management of the aircraft requiring the airworthiness review must be under the control of, or have been contracted to, a Part M subpart G CAMO, or Part-CAMO organisation (CAMO) and provided that the Airworthiness Review Certificate (ARC) has already been extended twice in accordance with M.A.901.
- c. The airworthiness review staff retain full responsibility for the content and completion of the airworthiness review.
- d. The CAMO must have a contract, or to arrange a contract with a Part 145 organisation with facilities at the aircraft location to support the aircraft physical survey. This Part 145 organisation must have the aircraft type on its approval.
- e. The physical survey must be carried out by a licensed, type rated engineer for the aircraft from the contracted Part 145 organisation. This engineer must be briefed by the airworthiness review staff prior to the survey being carried out.
- f. The physical survey of the aircraft must be carried out in accordance with Part M, M.A.901, with the CAMO providing aircraft survey forms and guidance as to what is expected and of any specific items requiring detailed inspection or checking.
- g. The results of the survey, plus any supporting information, shall be assessed by the airworthiness review staff, if satisfied then the airworthiness review process may be completed.
- h. All documentation with the details of the licensed engineer shall be kept by the CAMO
- i. This exemption **E5355** shall be recorded in the appropriate aircraft records.
- j. This exemption supersedes Official Record Series 4 No. 1458, which is revoked

Date in force

7. This exemption shall have effect from the date it is signed until 31 July 2021, both dates inclusive, unless revoked.

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