

RA 1027 - Air Traffic Management Equipment Organizations - Responsibilities of Contracted Organizations

Rationale

Provision of Air Traffic Management (ATM)¹ is a mitigating factor against the operating Risk to Life² associated with military aviation and requires a variety of equipment. Inaccuracies or failures in the equipment supporting the ATM task may erode this barrier. ATM Equipment Organizations³ that are contracted by the UK MOD are required to operate under an appropriate approval scheme⁴, in order to demonstrate their competency and suitability to appropriately support the safe and efficient provision of ATM. This regulation defines the responsibilities of ATM Equipment Organizations that are contracted by the UK MOD.

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1. ATM Equipment Organizations that are contracted by the UK MOD **should** be approved Organizations in accordance with (iaw) the ATM Equipment Approved Organization Scheme (AAOS)⁵.
2. ATM Equipment Organizations that are contracted by the UK MOD and required to be part of the AAOS **should**:
 - a. Comply with the MRP to qualify for the issue and continuation of an AAOS Approval.
 - b. Operate iaw the scope of their AAOS Approval Certificate and Schedule.
 - c. Appoint an Accountable Manager (AM)⁶ who has organizational authority and accountability for all activities conducted within the scope of the Organization's ATM Equipment activities⁷.
 - d. Have in place:
 - (1) An Air Safety Management System (ASMS) iaw with RA 1200⁸.
 - (2) An effective Quality Management System (QMS) certified by a national accreditation body, with a scope appropriate to the Organization's ATM Equipment activities.
 - (3) An Occurrence Reporting and Error Management System iaw RA 1410⁹.

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3. In order to meet the requirements of the AAOS, ATM Equipment Organizations may have an integrated ASMS and QMS. The MAA Manual of Air Safety contains guidance material applicable to establishing and maintaining an effective ASMS.

¹ As defined in MAA02: Military Aviation Authority Master Glossary.

² Refer to RA 1210 – Ownership and Management of Operating Risk (Risk to Life).

³ In-scope ATM Equipment Organizations are those Organizations that are contracted by the UK MOD to provide and/or install ATM Equipment ▶ ◀, and/or provide technical services that support ATM Equipment.

⁴ Refer to RA 1005 – Contracting with Competent Organizations.

⁵ Refer to RA 3100 – Air Traffic Management ▶ Equipment ◀ Approved Organization Scheme.

⁶ Refer to RA 3102 – Air Traffic Management ▶ Equipment ◀ Approved Organization Scheme Accountable Manager.

⁷ For the purpose of the AAOS, this is limited to those ATM Equipment activities that are contracted by the UK MOD.

⁸ Refer to RA 1200 – ▶ ◀ Air Safety Management.

⁹ Refer to RA 1410 – Occurrence Reporting ▶ and Management. ◀

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