

Regulatory Notice

31 Mar 2021

MAA/RN/2021/03 – Implementation plan for Regulatory Article (RA) 1207 (Air Safety Data Management and Exploitation)

References:

- A. Notice of Authorized Amendment 21/11 dated 31 March 2021.
- B. RA 1140 - Air System Technical Data Exploitation.
- C. Manual of Air System Safety Cases (MASSC).
- D. Manual of Air Safety (MAS).
- E. RA 1205 - Air System Safety Cases (ASSC) Issue 7.
- F. MAA/RN/2019/09 - Implementation Plan for RA 1205 Issue 7.

Issue

1. RA 1207 has been published under Ref A and the MAA recognizes that an implementation period is required to enable organizations to become fully compliant with this new regulation. Therefore a staged implementation plan has been approved.

Scope

2. This Regulatory Notice (RN) provides detail to support the transition from Ref B to RA 1207.

Aim

3. This RN will ensure that Operating Duty Holders (ODH), Accountable Managers (Military Flying) (AM(MF)) and Air Safety Management System (ASMS) owners are aware of the MAA approved transitional arrangements for implementation of RA 1207.

Implementation

4. This guidance is effective immediately.

Transition Arrangements

5. ODH and AM(MF) are currently required by Ref B to develop a technical data exploitation strategy and include it within their ASMS. The main change introduced by RA 1207 is to explicitly expand the scope of data exploitation from the technical data required by Ref B to all Air Safety data; this broader scope for data exploitation is already implicit in Refs C and D to underpin ASSC safety arguments. Therefore the following transition arrangements are approved:

- a. By **01 Sep 21**, ODH / AM(MF) to produce a first draft of their required Air Safety data exploitation strategies (in accordance with (iaw) RA 1207(1): Air Safety Data Exploitation Strategy) which includes identification of the required data that is in scope to support the relevant ASSCs. This is 3 months after the deadline for compliance with Ref E (as stated in Ref F), so ASSC arguments should be suitably mature to understand any underpinning data requirements; Ref B will be withdrawn on 01 Sep 21.
- b. By **01 Mar 22**, ASMS owners to produce a first draft of their Air Safety data exploitation procedures required by RA 1207(2): Air Safety Data Exploitation Procedures, to support the Strategies.
- c. By **01 Sep 22**, full compliance with RA 1207.

Queries

6. Any observations or requests for further guidance on the content of this RN should be submitted by email to DSA-MAA-MRPEnquiries@mod.gov.uk.

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