# RA 4804 - Terms of Approval (MRP 145.A.20) - Approved Maintenance Organizations only

### Rationale

Contractor-run Maintenance organizations are employed to undertake Maintenance tasks for a defined scope of work. 

To assure Aviation Duty Holders and Accountable Managers (Military Flying) that such Maintenance tasks are undertaken in compliance with MRP Part 145, a system for MAA Approval is required. Without such a system, Contractor-run Maintenance organizations could operate outside the scope of their capability, which has potential for Air Systems and components to be incorrectly maintained. 
To mitigate this Hazard, this RA requires that Contractor-run Maintenance organizations are approved using a consistent class and rating numbering system, according to their scope of work.

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The Contractor-run Maintenance organization **shall** specify the scope of work required for Approval in its Maintenance Organization Exposition (MOE).

# Acceptable Means of Compliance 4804(1)

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1. The Approval class and rating system defined at Annex A to this Regulation **should** be used.

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2. Table A-1, ▶details the Approval classifications and Standard Numbering System (SNS)¹ ◄ for each component rating.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ▶ Refer to S1000D - International Specification for Technical Publications. ◀

#### Annex A

## **Organizations Approval Class and Rating System**

- 1. Table A-1 outlines the full extent of Approval possible under MRP Part 145 in a standardized form. An organization may be granted an Approval ranging from a single class and rating with limitations to all classes and ratings with limitations.
- 2. In addition to Table A-1, the Approved Maintenance Organizations (AMO) ▶ should ◄ indicate its scope of work in the MOE (see also Paragraph 11).
- 3. Within the Approval class(es) and rating(s) granted by the MAA, the scope of work specified in the MOE defines the exact limits of Approval. It is therefore essential that the Approval class(es) and rating(s) and the organization's scope of work are compatible.
- 4. A Category A class rating means that the AMO may carry out Maintenance on the Air System and any component (including engines / Auxiliary Power Units (APUs) only whilst such components are fitted to the Air System, except that such components can be temporarily removed for Maintenance when such removal is expressly permitted by the Air System Maintenance manual to improve access for Maintenance, subject to a control procedure in the MOE acceptable to the MAA. The limitation section will specify the scope of such Maintenance, thereby indicating the extent of Approval. The A4 rating is to be used for all ▶Uncrewed Air Systems (UAS). ◄
- 5. A Category B class rating means that the AMO may carry out Maintenance on the uninstalled engine / APU and engine / APU components only whilst such components are fitted to the engine / APU except that such components can be temporarily removed for Maintenance when such removal is expressly permitted by the engine / APU manual to improve access for Maintenance. The limitation section will specify the scope of such Maintenance thereby indicating the extent of Approval. An AMO with a Category B class rating may also carry out Maintenance on an installed engine during Air System Maintenance, subject to a control procedure in the MOE acceptable to the MAA. The MOE scope of work will reflect such activity where permitted.
- 6. A Category C class rating means that the AMO may carry out Maintenance on uninstalled components (excluding engines and APUs) intended for fitment to the Air System or engine / APU. The limitation section will specify the scope of such Maintenance thereby indicating the extent of Approval. An AMO with a Category C class rating may also carry out Maintenance on an installed component during Air System Maintenance or at an engine / APU Maintenance facility subject to a control procedure in the MOE. The MOE scope of work will reflect such activity where permitted.
- 7. A Category D class rating is a self-contained class rating not necessarily related to a specific Air System, engine, or other component. The D1 Non-Destructive Testing (NDT) rating is only necessary for an AMO that carries out NDT as a particular task for another organization. An AMO with a class rating in A or B or C Category may carry out NDT on products it is maintaining, subject to the MOE containing NDT procedures, without the need for a D1 class rating.
- 8. Category A class ratings are subdivided into Line and Base Maintenance. An AMO may be approved for either Line or Base Maintenance or both.
- 9. The 'limitation' section is intended to give the MAA maximum flexibility to customize the Approval to a particular organization. Table A-1 specifies the types of limitation possible and, whilst Maintenance is listed last in each class rating, it is acceptable to stress the Maintenance task rather than the Air System or engine type or manufacturer, if this is more appropriate to the organization. An example could be avionic Systems installations and Maintenance.
- 10. Table A-1 ▶ refers < to series and type in the limitation section of class A and B. Series means a specific type series such as Typhoon or Merlin or EJ200 etc. Type means a specific type or model such as FGR Mk4 or HC Mk4 or Mk101 etc. Any number of series or types may be quoted.
- 11. When a lengthy capability list is used which could be subject to frequent amendment, then such amendment will be in accordance with a procedure acceptable to the MAA and included in the MOE. The procedure will address the issues of who is responsible for capability list amendment control and the actions that need to be taken for amendment. Such actions include ensuring compliance with MRP Part 145 for products or services added to the list.

#### Note:

Approvals granted prior to 1 January 2014 for class ratings C51 through to C57 have been issued under class ratings C21 through to C27. Any Approvals granted under class ratings C21 through to C27 under this legacy system will have their numbering amended at the next issue of the AMO's Approval Schedule. This change in the numbering of class ratings does not require an immediate resubmission of the organization's MOE, but MOEs submitted after 1 January 2014 will use the below class ratings.

Table A-1. Approval Classifications and SNS Numbering

Class	Rating	SNS Number	Limitation	Line	Base
Air System	A1 Aeroplanes /		Will state ► Aircraft <		
	▶ airships ◀		manufacturer or		
	above 5700 kg		series or type and /		
	A2 Aeroplanes /		or the Maintenance		
	▶airships ◀		task(s).		
	5700 kg and				
	below				
	A3 Helicopters	-			
	A4 Air Systems		Will state Air System		
	other than A1, A2		►manufacturer or ◀		
	and A3		series or type and /		
			or the Maintenance		
	This rating is to		task(s).		
	be used for all		(=)		
	▶UAS◀				
Engines	B1 Turbine		Will state engine manu	facturer o	r series
g	B2 Piston		or type and / or the Maintenance task(s).		
	B3 APU				
Components	C1 Air Cond and	21	►Will state  Air Syste	em type(s	and / or
(other than	Press		► Will state ◀ Air System type(s) and / or component manufacturer or the specific		
complete	C2 Auto Flight	22	component and / or cre		
engines or	C3 Comms and	23-34-43	capability list in the MC		o a
APUs)	Nav	23-34-43	Capability list in the Mc	<i>,</i> .	
AFUS)	C4 Doors -	52	+		
	Hatches	32			
	C5 Electrical	24-33- <b>▶</b> 85- <b>∢</b> 91	+		
		24-33-263-491			
	Power ▶and				
	Lights  C6 Equipment	25 20 \ 11 \ 15 50	1		
	C6 Equipment C7 Engine - APU	25-38-►44- ◀45-50 49-71-72-73-74-75-	+		
	C7 Eligilie - APO	76-77-78-79-80-81-			
	CO Flight Controls	82-83-86	-		
	C8 Flight Controls	27-55-57.40-57.50-			
	OO Frank	57.60-57.70	-		
	C9 Fuel - Airframe	28-▶47-◀48			
		CO CA CC C7	-		
	C10 Helicopter -	62-64-66-67			
	Rotors	00.05	4		
	C11 Helicopter -	63-65			
	Transmission	00	4		
	C12 Hydraulic	29	4		
	C13 ► Indicating /	31-▶42-◀46			
	Recording				
	Systems ◀	00.00	4		
	C14 Landing	32-90			
	Gear	0- 4-	_		
	C15 Oxygen	35-47	_		
	C16 Propellers	61	_		
	C17 Pneumatic	36-37			
	►and Vacuum ◀				

	C18 Protection	26-30	
	ice / rain / fire		
	C19 Windows	56	
	C20 Structural	53-54-57.10-57.20-	]
		57.30	
	C21 Water Ballast	41	
	C22 Propulsion	84	
	Augmentation		
	C51 Attack	39-40-42	
	Systems		
	C52 Radar /	92-93	
	Surveillance		
	C53 Weapons	94	
	Systems		
	C54 Crew Escape	95	
	C55 Missiles /	96	
	Target Drones /		
	Telemetry		
	C56	97-98	
	Reconnaissance		
	C57 Electronic	99	]
	Warfare		
Specialized	D1 Non-		Will state specific NDT method(s).
Services	Destructive		
	Testing		