RA 4945 - Personnel Requirements - MRP Part M Subpart G

Rationale

To contribute to the preservation of Airworthiness all personnel working in a Military Continuing Airworthiness Management Organization (Mil CAMO) are required to be suitably qualified, experienced and, where appropriate, authorized to carry out their role. Without competent and knowledgeable personnel, both leading and supporting the Mil CAMO, the Continuing Airworthiness (CAw) of the supported organizations' Air Systems may be compromised. This RA requires Military Continuing Airworthiness Managers (Mil CAM) to be supported by sufficient Suitably Qualified and Experienced Persons (SQEP) to support the Maintenance of CAw.

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Requirements for the Military Continuing Airworthiness Manager 4945(1) The Mil CAM shall:

- a. Either:
 - (1) Where they are within a construct supporting a Delivery Duty Holder (DDH) who has direct Air Safety Responsibility, be a Crown Servant; or,
 - (2) Where they are within a construct supporting a Defence Contractor Flying Organization¹ (DCFO) have their appointment endorsed by the MAA through the submission and Approval of a MAA Maintenance Approved Organization Scheme (MAOS) / Continuing Airworthiness Management Organization (CAMO) Form 4².
- b. Be responsible to the DDH³ and / or Accountable Manager (Military Flying) (AM(MF))³ and ensure that the organization is always in compliance with MRP Part M Subparts C and G, and when approved, Subpart I.
- c. Be responsible for the management and oversight of all CAw activities.
- d. Be able to show relevant knowledge and appropriate experience related to Air System CAw.

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Requirements for the Military Continuing Airworthiness Manager

- 1. The Mil CAM **should** have:
 - a. Practical experience and expertise in the application of Air Safety standards and safe operating practices in the CAw environment.
 - b. A comprehensive knowledge⁴ of:
 - (1) Relevant operational requirements and procedures.
 - (2) The DDH's or AM(MF)'s Air System operations and procedures.

¹ Refer to ►RA 1028 < - Contractor Flying Approved Organization Scheme.

² MAA MAOS / CAMO Form 4 – Details of Nominated Personnel.

³ Refer to RA 1016 – Military Continuing Airworthiness Management.

⁴ Refer to RA 1002 – Airworthiness Competent Persons.

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- (3) Quality Systems.
- c. Either:
 - (1) Have been a previous holder of Authority Level J; or,
 - (2) Had five years' relevant work experience of which at least two **should** be from the aeronautical industry in an appropriate position.
- d. Engineering Council Professional Registration as detailed in RA 10024.
- e. A thorough knowledge of the organization's Continuing Airworthiness Management Exposition (CAME).
- f. Knowledge of the type(s) of Air System(s) for which Responsibility is held, gained through a formalized training course. Such courses **should** cover typical Systems embodied in those Air Systems being within the scope of Approval.
- g. Successfully completed all relevant Air Safety training courses⁵.
- h. Knowledge of applicable Regulations.
- 2. ►Any nominated Deputy Mil CAM (DCAM) expected to personally exercise delegated Mil CAM authorizations **should** also meet the SQEP criteria detailed in paragraph 1 of this Regulation. ◀

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Requirements for the Military Continuing Airworthiness Manager

- 3. The Mil CAM is responsible for all CAw management functions. Depending on the size of the operation and Structure of the organization, these functions may be divided between separate managers or combined under one individual. However, the Mil CAMO Quality Management System⁶, ▶ needs to ◄ be independent from the other functions.
- 4. Though overarching responsibility remains with the Mil CAM, a DCAM may be nominated by the Mil CAM to undertake delegated CAw management activities to increase the resilience of an organization. This could be appropriate in a number of circumstances, including but not limited to;
 - a. When a single Mil CAM is responsible for more than one platform type.
 - b. When a Mil CAM is responsible for Air Systems based at locations remote from them. ◀
- 5. An adequate formalized type training course for the Mil CAM would typically be expected to be of several days' duration.
- 6. The MAA MAOS / CAMO Form 4² can be found on the MAA Website⁷.
- 7. In some circumstances DCFOs may need to utilize a Crown Servant Mil CAM and Mil CAMO under a bespoke written agreement³. In such cases the Contracted Crown Servant Mil CAM will not be required to undergo Approval by the MAA using the MAA MAOS / CAMO Form 4 process.

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Qualification of Personnel

- 4945(2) The Mil CAMO **shall** have sufficient SQEP for the expected work:
 - The Competence of all personnel involved in Mil CAMO activities shall be established by the Mil CAM and recorded.
 - (1) The Mil CAM **shall** establish and control the continued Competence of personnel involved in

⁵ Refer to RA 1440 – Air Safety Training.

⁶ Refer to RA 4951 – Quality System - MRP Part M Subpart G.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/regulatory-article-ra-4806-personnel-requirements-mrp-145a30.

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the Mil CAMO, Military Airworthiness Review and / or Quality Audits in accordance with approved procedures and to a standard agreed by the MAA.

Acceptable Means of Compliance 4945(2)

Qualification of Personnel

- 8. To gain MAA Approval for the number of individuals and their requisite qualifications, the Mil CAMO **should**:
 - a. Make an analysis of the tasks to be performed and the way in which it intends to divide and / or combine these tasks. This **should** include any Mil CAMO Subcontracted tasks⁸ carried out by other organizations on the Mil CAMO's behalf.
 - Indicate how it intends to assign responsibilities.
 - c. Establish the workforce resource and the qualifications needed to perform the tasks.
 - d. This analysis **should** be updated when significant changes in the tasks occur, relevant to the number and qualifications of persons needed.
- 9. Adequate initial and recurrent training **should** be provided and recorded to demonstrate continued Competence.

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Qualification of Personnel

- 10. The actual number of people to be employed and their necessary qualifications are dependent upon:
 - a. The size and complexity of the organization.
 - b. The number, complexity and age of the Air Systems.
 - c. The operational profiles and the amount and complexity of Maintenance to be carried out.
- 11. The number of people needed and their qualifications may differ greatly from one organization to another and a simple formula covering the whole range of possibilities is not feasible.

Regulation 4945(3)

Personnel Competence and MRP Part M Authorization

4945(3) The Mil CAM **shall** establish the Competence and control the Authorization⁹ of personnel making Airworthiness or Aircraft Maintenance Programme (AMP) decisions on behalf of the Mil CAM, or conducting other specific tasks for which the Mil CAM is responsible. In addition to the necessary expertise related to the job function, Competence **shall** include the understanding of relevant Mil CAMO governance, procedures and MRP Part M Regulation.

⁸ Refer to RA 4961(2): Military Continuing Airworthiness Management Organization Responsibilities Prior to the Release of an Air System

⁹ Refer to RA 1006 – Delegation of Engineering Authorizations.

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Personnel Competence and MRP Part M Authorization

- 12. All personnel who perform tasks or make decisions on behalf of the Mil CAM, including Contracted¹⁰ staff, **should** be trained, assessed as Competent⁶ and authorized for specific Part M tasks, including, but not limited to:
 - a. The extension of Preventive Maintenance, or the deferment of Corrective Maintenance⁸.
 - b. Cannibalizations.
 - c. The amendment or replacement of CAw Records, or access to guarantined CAw Records¹¹.
 - d. The Audit of Airworthiness data in support of Airworthiness Information Management processes¹².
 - e. The Approval of Mil CAMO Instructions¹³.
- 13. Individuals conducting a Competence assessment of personnel employed in specific Part M tasks, **should** ensure that those being assessed have received an appropriate level of training or familiarization on the Air System type and relevant organization procedures prior to being authorized.
- 14. Part M Authorizations **should** be recorded using a system that is auditable.
- 15. Where Part M activity is formally Subcontracted outside of the Mil CAMO the Mil CAM **should** seek Assurance that those Subcontracted staff are suitably trained, assessed as Competent and authorized. This **should** be detailed within the organization's CAME.

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Personnel Competence and MRP Part M Authorization

16. There is no requirement to issue separate Authorizations for tasks listed at Para ▶12 ◀ a-c where Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) Part-66 – Aircraft Maintenance Licencing and / or CAA nominated personnel Approvals via an SRG 1769 are in place¹⁴.

¹⁰ Refer to RA 4956 – Military Continuing Airworthiness Management Organization Tasks Performed by Other Organizations – MRP Part M Subpart G.

¹¹ Refer to RA 4964(2): Continuing Airworthiness Records.

¹² Refer to RA 1223(2): Airworthiness Information Management.

¹³ Refer to RA 4966(1): Use of Military Continuing Airworthiness Management Organization Instructions.

¹⁴ CAA Part-66 Aircraft Maintenance License holders may exercise privileges, as governed by CAA 66.A.20, without the need for Mil CAMO to issue separate MRP Part M authorizations to those personnel.