



Australian Government
Civil Aviation Safety Authority

Instrument number CASA EX140/20

I, ANDREW MELVIN SPARROW, Branch Manager, Air Navigation, Airspace & Aerodromes, National Operations & Standards Division, a delegate of CASA, make this instrument under regulations 11.160 and 11.205 of the *Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998*.

[Signed A. Sparrow]

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**CASA EX140/20 – Aerodrome Rescue and Firefighting Service
(Operational Training Framework – Airservices Australia) Exemption 2020**

1 Name

This instrument is *CASA EX140/20 – Aerodrome Rescue and Firefighting Service (Operational Training Framework – Airservices Australia) Exemption 2020*.

2 Repeal of instrument CASA EX56/19

Instrument *CASA EX56/19 – Aerodrome Rescue and Firefighting Service (Operational Training Framework – Airservices Australia) Exemption 2019* is repealed.

3 Definitions

Note In this instrument, certain terms and expressions have the same meaning as they have in the Act and the regulations. These include: **AA** and **ARFFS provider**.

In this instrument:

approved OTF means the document mentioned in paragraph 6 (1) (a) that is approved in writing by CASA.

approved OTF implementation plan means the document mentioned in paragraph 6 (1) (b) that is approved in writing by CASA.

ARFFS has the meaning given by subregulation 139.705 (1) of CASR.

ARFFS aerodrome means an aerodrome at which an ARFFS is provided by AA.

ARFFS competency maintenance program trial means a trial of a proposed competency maintenance program at a selected aerodrome that was carried out under CASA EX73/18.

competency has the same meaning as in section 1.2 of the Manual of Standards. *Manual of Standards* has meaning given by subregulation 139.705 (1) of CASR.

operational training framework or *OTF* means an ARFFS competency-based training program carried out by AA at an OTF aerodrome.

OTF aerodrome means an ARFFS aerodrome at which AA carries out the OTF.

revised OTF implementation plan means a revised plan to transition each ARFFS aerodrome to become an OTF aerodrome.

4 Application

This instrument applies to AA, ARN 202210, in its capacity as the ARFFS provider for an OTF aerodrome.

5 Exemption — subregulation 139.845 (4) of CASR

- (1) AA is exempt from compliance with subregulation 139.845 (4) of CASR, to the extent that the subregulation requires AA to comply with the following provisions of the Manual of Standards in relation to the ongoing training provided by AA under the OTF, at an OTF aerodrome, to people employed as firefighters:

- (a) subparagraph 18.1.1.2 (g);
- (b) paragraph 18.1.1.3;
- (c) paragraph 18.1.1.13;
- (d) subparagraph 20.1.3.2 (e);
- (e) paragraph 20.1.3.3.

- (2) The exemption is subject to the conditions mentioned in section 6.

Note Subregulation 139.845 (1) of CASR provides that people employed as firefighters must already be trained to at least Australian Fire Competencies Certificate 2 standard or, if for a particular position the Manual of Standards specifies a higher standard, that higher standard. Subregulation 139.845 (4) of CASR provides that there must be ongoing training for the people employed as firefighters to ensure that they continue to meet the applicable standard mentioned in subregulation 139.845 (1).

6 Conditions – AA – operational training framework

- (1) AA must, within 30 days of the commencement of this instrument, submit to CASA for approval:
 - (a) a document setting out the OTF to be carried out by AA at all OTF aerodromes; and
 - (b) a document setting out the revised OTF implementation plan.
- (2) AA must carry out the OTF at an OTF aerodrome in accordance with the approved OTF.
- (3) AA must, on or before 31 March 2021, have made each ARFFS aerodrome an OTF aerodrome.
- (4) AA must email to CASA, within 7 days of the end of each calendar month until and including the calendar month in which the last ARFFS aerodrome becomes an OTF aerodrome, a report on AA's progress transitioning ARFFS aerodromes to become OTF aerodromes under the approved OTF implementation plan.
- (5) AA must:
 - (a) on or before 30 July 2021 — complete a post-implementation review (*PIR*) of the implementation of the OTF; and

- (b) within 14 days of completing the PIR — provide CASA with a written report of the outcomes of the PIR.

7 Repeal of this instrument

This instrument is repealed at the end of 30 September 2023.
