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Annex 19

Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation - CASR Part 42



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1 Overview

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This Annex provides instructions for conducting surveillance of Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation - CASR Part 42, and contains information relating to the following:

- Systems and Elements
- Systems and Elements Health Checks

- Surveillance Currency Guide
- Information Sources.

2 Systems and Elements: Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation

The audit technique involves assessing the documented system, comparing it against the actual system processes. The system is assessed for compliance and sampling conducted as appropriate. The assessment of the system and its risks is achieved by a questioning technique using the four attributes (12 components) of the Management System Model (MSM), see CSM Sections 3.3.3 System attributes – Management System Model and Section

3.3.3.1 – Systems attributes (table).

The CASA description of Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation consists of combined AMO and AOC three systems and 12 elements, for Part 42 CAMO.

2.1 Systems elements

Systems	Elements
	Approved Maintenance Programs
Aircraft Maintenance	Base Maintenance
Aircrait Maintenance	Line Maintenance
	Continuing Airworthiness Management
	Management
Operations	Authorised Personnel
Operations	Authorised Activities
	Data and Documentation
	Management
Quality	Qualifications
Quality	Authorisations (CAM staff, pilot maintenance)
	Audits

Table 1: Elements

2.2 System: Aircraft maintenance

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 Table 2: Aircraft maintenance

Element: Aircraft Maintenance				
Element: Approved Maintenance Programs				
This element contains the systems and processes for identifying "what" maintenance activities are required to be done as well as "when" the maintenance activities are to be completed.				
Prompts:				
Manufacturers recommendations	Safety equipment			
Aircraft age (Aging aircraft)	Major repairs and alterations			
Aircraft modifications	Aircraft configuration and listing			
Aircraft specialised operations				
	Minimum Equipment List (MEL)/Configuration Deviation List (CDL)			
Parts fitted without ARC				
Element: Base Maintenance				
This element contains the systems an controlled and "who" completes the m	nd processes for achieving the "how" maintenance activities are naintenance activities.			
Prompts:				
Maintenance providers	Contractual arrangements			
Permitted Base Maintenance Activities	Authorised personnel			
Parts and stores and/or parts pooling	Operational equipment			
Aircraft maintenance documentation				
Defect control				
	Certificate of release to service			
Element: Line Maintenance				
This element contains the systems an conducted to ensure the aircraft is se	nd processes for ensuring the appropriate activities are rviced for flight.			
Prompts:				
Permitted Line Maintenance Activities				
Cleaning	Taxiing			
Pilot maintenance	Authorised maintenance support equipment			
Configuration control	Engine running			
De-icing	Towing			
Element: Continuing Airworthiness Management				

This element contains the activity related to airworthiness effectiveness.		
Airworthiness directives	MEL/CDL deferred maintenance	
Instructions for Continuing Maintenance (ICA)	Dealing with ICA (includes updating AMP)	
Authorised maintenance support equipment -computer tracking system	Continuing airworthiness records	
Service Defect Reports (SDR)	Repair or modification control	
Flight Technical Log		
Reliability program	Airworthiness reviews	
Authorised AMP employee activity	Airworthiness review employee activity	
AMP effectiveness review	Exposition process review	

2.3 System: Operations

Table 3: Operations

Element: Management			
This element addresses the systems that ensure the Authorisation holder conducts its operations as authorised by legislation and its approval. This is primarily achieved using a properly structured organisation with appropriate communication channels. Appropriate key personnel ensure CAMO operations are not only approved but are appropriately controlled and resourced.			
Prompts:			
System Management responsibility			
Appropriate structure	Key personnel		
Appropriate numbers of personnel	Facilities		
Support staff	Technical staff		
Element: Personnel Standards			
CAMO authorisation holder is required to establish and maintain an appropriate organisation, with sound and effective management structure that incorporates a safety management system. The standards of personnel is required to be documented detailing induction training, periodic recurrent training/checking and any required upgrade training. A process for dealing with unsatisfactory performance should also be documented.			
Prompts:			
Qualifications	Approvals		
Recency (if applicable)	Supervision		
DAMP education and testing			
Element: Authorised Activities			
Airworthiness Review Certificate			
Variation to Approved Maintenance Program	Pilot maintenance authorisation		
Maintenance Tracking	Extension to maintenance task interval		

 Element: Management

 DAMP training
 DAMP supervision

 Element: Data and documentation
 Exposition

 Exposition
 ICA

 System to review changes to ICA/data
 ICA

2.4 System: Quality

Table 4: Quality

Quality				
Element: Management				
This element contains the systems and processes for ensuring the aircraft is airworthy and fit for service. This is accomplished primarily through the authorisation holder's internal audit processes and closes the loop on the entire maintenance system.				
Prompts:				
Quality department resources	Maintenance providers			
Aircraft	Locations			
Aircraft documentation	Control of maintenance due			
Airworthiness reviews	Approved Maintenance Program employees			
	Management knowledge of current risks			
Element: Qualifications				
Quality Manager qualifications	Auditor qualifications			
Element: Authorisations (CAMO staff, pilot maintenance)				
Pilot Maintenance approval	Approval of suppliers			
Standard of Maintenance – auditors experienced to form a view	Independence of auditors			
Element: Audits				
Scope of audits	Frequency of audits / plan			
Audit findings reporting	Audit findings management			
Root cause analysis	Audit records			

3 Health Check

Health Check mandatory elements are available on the CASA Intranet. Details of the current mandatory elements for each authorisation type are published separately to the CASA website.

N/A at time of publication.

4 Surveillance Currency Guide: Continuing Airworthiness Maintenance Organisation

Surveillance level	Туре	Elements
	Systems Audit	Systems, Risks and Compliance
		Specific Elements, Risks and
	Health Check	Compliance
Level 1	Post-authorisation Review	Entry Control Elements
Level 2	Operational Check	E.g. Aircraft inspection, Ramp check, Specific Instructions for Continuing Airworthiness (ICA) compliance check, Reliability System sample
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Note: Surveillance intervals are determined by the National Surveillance Selection Process (NSSP). Refer to the NSSP planned surveillance schedule for further information regarding surveillance intervals.

5 Information Sources

The following is a non-exhaustive list of information sources that can be accessed to support the assessment of an authorisation holder:

- Surveys
- Third-party audits
- Surveillance History (Reports and findings)
- EAP information
- Defect Report Service (DRS)
- Regulatory Service history and activity
- External information gathered from industry or other government agencies
- Enforcement action
- Accident/incident history
- Risk Management plans provided by the authorisation holder.

A large portion of this information is available to the surveillance team and authorisation management team via the Data Warehouse using the BusinessObjects application.

Note: For advice on where and how to access required information refer to CSM Chapter 5 – Information Capture and Access.