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SAFETY REGULATION DIVISION
**PERSONNEL LICENSING
ADVISORY MEMORANDUM**

TITLE PART 66 CAT A PRACTICAL TRAINING

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Advisory Memorandum is to provide guidance to PART-145 Approved Maintenance Organisations intending to conduct PART-66 Category A task training. PART-147 Approved Maintenance Training/Examination Organisations may also be approved to conduct Category A task training and must meet the requirements of PART-147.

GENERAL

PART-145.A.30(g) states that in addition to the B1 and B2 certifying staff, a PART-145 approved maintenance organisation may use appropriately task trained certifying staff qualified to PART-145.A.35 plus PART-66 Category A to carry out minor scheduled line maintenance and simple defect rectification. The tasks permitted are outlined in AMC 145.A.30 (g)

PART-66.A.20 (a) (1) states that a Category A certifying staff authorisation permits the holder to issue certificates of release to service following scheduled minor line maintenance and simple defect rectification, CAT A tasks as specified in PART-145, within the limits of the tasks endorsed on the authorisation. The certification is restricted to the work that the authorisation holder has personally performed.

PART-66.A.20 (a) (3)(ii) states that a Category B2 certifying staff authorisation permits the holder to issue certificates of release to service following scheduled minor line maintenance and simple defect rectification, CAT A tasks as specified in PART-145, within the limits of the tasks endorsed on the authorisation. The certification is restricted to the work that the authorisation holder has personally performed and is limited to the ratings already endorsed in the B2 licence.


PART-66.A.45 (a) states that Category A certifying staff are required to hold an appropriate PART-66 Aircraft Maintenance Licence (AML) prior to the grant of a PART-145 certification authorisation, and that PART-145 certification authorisations may only be granted following the satisfactory completion of the relevant Category A aircraft task training carried out by an appropriately approved PART-145 or PART-147 organisation.

TRAINING

AMC 66.A.45 (a) states that for Category A certifying staff specific training on each aircraft type will be required reflecting the authorised task(s).

The training should include practical hands-on training and theoretical training as appropriate for each task authorised. Satisfactory completion may be demonstrated by an examination and/or workplace assessment.

The training should be conducted by an authorised instructor and the practical assessment should be conducted by an authorised practical assessor. Qualifications and experience standards for the instructors and practical assessors should be established.

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PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT

An assessed pass for each student should be granted when the practical assessor is satisfied that the student has demonstrated the capability to use the relevant tools/equipment/test equipment as specified by the tool/equipment/test equipment manufacturer and the use of maintenance manuals as specified by the Type Certificate holder in that the student can carry out the required maintenance/inspection/testing without missing any defects, can readily identify the location of components and is capable of correct removal/fitment/adjustment of such components as applicable. The student should also show an appreciation of the need to ensure clean working conditions and the observance of safety precautions for the student and the product. In addition the student should demonstrate a responsible attitude in respect of flight safety and airworthiness of the aircraft.

Any PART-145 approved organisation intending to conduct training and practical assessment of category A tasks should develop a procedure to show how the training and practical assessments are conducted.

The procedure should include;

- experience and qualifications required for instructors and practical assessors
- authorisation of the instructors and practical assessors;
- selecting the students;
- determining the tasks to be trained;
- scheduling of the training;
- how the training is conducted
- how the assessment is conducted
- compiling and storing of the records for instructors, practical assessors and students.

The procedure will be assessed and the training system will be audited by the IAA prior to grant of the approval to conduct task training.