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Guidance on Enhanced Containment, Flight Termination Systems, and MoC Light-UAS.2511

1. Change Record

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28.11.2023	1	Initial publication.
30.11.2023	2	Annex A update
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2. References

- Regulation (EU) 2019/947, on the rules and procedures for the operation of unmanned aircraft.¹
- Means of Compliance with Light-UAS.2511 Containment²

3. Purpose

The purpose of this guidance document is to outline the requirements for enhanced containment and associated means of compliance to Light-UAS.2511.

4. Definitions

For the purposes of this guidance document, the definitions in Regulation (EU) 2019/947, Irish Aviation Authority Act, 1993 and S.I. No. 24 of 2023 apply.

¹ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32019R0947&from=EN

https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/downloads/136458/en

5. Fnhanced Containment

Step #9 of the Specific Operations Risk Assessment (SORA)³, addresses adjacent area and airspace considerations. It addresses "the risk posed by a loss of control of the operation, resulting in an infringement of the adjacent areas on the ground and/or adjacent airspace".

"No probable failure of the UAS or any external system supporting the operation should lead to operation outside the operational volume".

Enhanced containment is required for operations:

- (1) either where the adjacent areas:
 - contain assemblies of people¹ unless the UAS is already approved for operations over assemblies of people; or
 - are ARC-d unless the residual ARC of the airspace area intended to be flown within the operational volume is already ARC-d;
- (2) Or where the operational volume is in a populated area where:
 - (i) M1 mitigation has been applied to lower the GRC; or
 - (ii) operating in a controlled ground area.

A Flight Termination System (FTS) is one method that may be used to address this containment requirement.

6. MoC Light-UAS.2511

The "MoC is meant for a declaration toward the competent authority issuing the operational authorisation for operations up to SAIL II. It provides the possibility, for UAS leveraging FTS, to substantiate, with a simple design checklist and a set of tests, the FTS performances".

It provides "a design checklist and a set of tests" whose "application and successful passing can be utilized to credit an FTS install on a UAS with a probability of failure $< 10^{-2}$ / Flight Hours". Please see the MoC for details.

7. Applications to the Authority.

Operators wishing to use an FTS as a method to address the enhanced containment requirement should:

- Request a declaration of compliance with MoC.2511 and associated evidence from the manufacturer of their FTS and submit with their operational authorisation application, or

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³ Reg (EU) 2019/947 AMC1 Art 11 2.5.3

-	Utilise a UAS/FTS configuration already assessed as compliant by the Authority. See Annex A. This will be updated as new evidence is received.				

Manufacturer	Flight Termination System	UAS
AVSS ⁴	PRS-M300EX	DJI M300
AVSS	PRS-M350EX	DJI M350
Dronavia⁵	FTS-MOC KRONOS	DJI Inspire 3
Dronavia	FTS-MOC KRONOS	DJI M350
Dronavia	FTS-MOC KRONOS	DJI M300
Dronavia	Zéphyr CC	DJI M30
Dronavia	Zéphyr CC	DJI Mavic 3
ParaZero ⁶	SafeAir	DJI M300
ParaZero ⁷	SafeAir	DJI Mavic 3
ParaZero	SafeAir	DJI M350
ParaZero	SafeAir	DJI M30

https://www.avss.co/https://www.dronavia.com/en/

⁶ https://parazero.com/
⁷ Applies to the following DJI Mavic 3 models: Pro, Cine, Pro Cine, E (without RTK module), T, Classic, Multispectral