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Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/469 of 14 February 2020 amending Regulation (EU) No 923/2012, Regulation (EU) No 139/2014 and Regulation (EU) 2017/373 as regards requirements for air traffic management/air navigation services, design of airspace structures and data quality, runway safety and repealing Regulation (EC) No 73/2010

1. Scope

The purpose of this Notice is to provide awareness, guidance and information to airspace users and Air Navigation Service Providers on the upcoming amendments and introductions to the Common Requirements Regulation, SERA and Aerodrome regulation.

2. Background

On 3rd April 2020, the EASA regulatory framework for the provision of the ATM/ANS services has been further enhanced with the publication of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/469. This Regulation is the result of prolonged regulatory activities undertaken by EASA with the essential support of its stakeholders and it is largely based on the appropriate transposition of relevant ICAO provisions which, in particular with regard to the Standards, contributes to their uniform implementation throughout the EU, and supports the EU Member States in fulfilling their obligations stemming from the Chicago Convention.

3. Overview

Accordingly, the ATM/ANS Common Requirements in Regulation (EU) 2017/373 is further developed as follows:

- Part-ATS includes a detailed set of organisational and technical requirements concerning the provision of Air Traffic Services, transposed primarily from the relevant ICAO Annex 11 and PANS-ATM, latest amendments;
- Part-MET reflects Amendment 77-A and 77-B to ICAO Annex 3, particularly with regard to
 provisions relating to SIGMET, the World Area Forecast System, as well as the
 implementation of the Global Reporting Format for assessing and reporting runway surface
 conditions; and
- Part-AIS includes a detailed set of organisational and technical requirements concerning Aeronautical Information Services, transposed primarily from ICAO Annex 15 16th Edition. It also draws on the experience of the Union in AIS provision and ensuring proportionality according to the size, type and complexity of the AIS provider. Furthermore, Part-AIS now incorporates the detailed provisions on the quality of aeronautical data and aeronautical information, previously stipulated in Regulation (EU) No 73/2010, as a result from the Agency's competencies extension stemming from the EASA Basic Regulation;

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Additionally, a new certification and oversight scheme for providers of flight procedure design and the organisations designing flight procedures is introduced. The new provisions enable the EU-wide mutual recognition of these certificates by avoiding duplication, promote effectiveness in certification and oversight processes as well as an efficient use of related resources at Union and national level. Moreover, Member States are enabled to perform design on airspace structure based on common technical rules established within Part-FPD, aiming to ensure that airspace structures are properly designed, surveyed and validated before they can be deployed and used by aircraft.

4. Entry into force

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/469 entered into force on the 23rd April 2020

5. Applicability

Amendments to Regulations (EU) 139/2014 (on Aerodromes) and 923/2012 (on Standardised European Rules of the Air) are introduced accordingly, to ensure consistency within the EU legislation.

The applicability of these new rules is 27 January 2022 however the following points of this Regulation shall apply from 5 November 2020 as indicated in Article 5:

In Annex I

point 10(b)

In Annex III

- Point 5;
- In point 6: Appendix 3 'SNOWTAM FORMAT'

In order to facilitate the implementation and application of this significant set of rules, EASA plans to publish the associated AMC/GM within the coming weeks.

6. Further Information

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/469 is available from the following webpage; http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm

Requests for further information on how Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/469 will impact on various parties should be addressed to: ansdinfo@iaa.ie

7. Issue date 1st May 2020

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