

Executive Director Decision

202X/XXX/R

of [DATE OF ADOPTION BY ED]

issuing the following:

**Amendment 3 to Issue 1 of the Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material
to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/947**

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‘AMC and GM to Regulation (EU) 2019/947 — Issue 1, Amendment 3’

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AVIATION SAFETY AGENCY (EASA),

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2018/1139¹, and in particular Articles 76(3) and 104(3)(a) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Acceptable means of compliance (AMC) are non-binding standards issued by EASA, which are used by persons and organisations to demonstrate compliance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and with the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof, or with the certification specifications (CSs) and detailed specifications (DSs)].
- (2) Guidance material is non-binding material issued by EASA, which helps to illustrate the meaning of delegated or implementing acts or certification specifications (CSs) and detailed specifications (DSs), and which is used to support the interpretation of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, of the delegated and implementing acts adopted on the basis thereof, and of CSs and DSs.

¹ Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Union Aviation Safety Agency, and amending Regulations (EC) No 2111/2005, (EC) No 1008/2008, (EU) No 996/2010, (EU) No 376/2014 and Directives 2014/30/EU and 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 552/2004 and (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 (OJ L 212, 22.8.2018, p. 1) (<http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1139/oj>).

- (3) With Decision 2019/021/R² of 9 October 2019, the Executive Director issued Issue 1 of the Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/947³.
- (4) EASA shall, pursuant to Article 4(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, reflect the state of the art and the best practices in the field of aviation and update its decisions, taking into account worldwide aviation experience and scientific and technical progress in the respective fields.
- (5) Based on feedback received by stakeholders on the application of the AMC developed to support the application of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/947, the Joint Authorities for Rulemaking on Unmanned Systems (JARUS) developed a new version of the specific operations risk assessment, referred to as 'SORA 2.5'. The document has been developed with the contribution of EASA and several EU NAAs, and has been publicly consulted by JARUS.
- (6) Since 'SORA 2.5' has been publicly consulted by JARUS, EASA, pursuant to Article 115(1)(c) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 and Article 6 of the EASA Rulemaking Procedure⁴, consulted its Advisory Bodies on the content of this Decision and considered the comments received,

HAS DECIDED:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision 2019/021/R of the Executive Director of the Agency of 9 October 2019 is amended as laid down in the Annex to this Decision.

² Executive Director Decision 2019/021/R of 9 October 2019 issuing Acceptable Means of Compliance and Guidance Material to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2019/947 — 'Rules and procedures for the operation of unmanned aircraft' ([ED Decision 2019/021/R - AMC and GM to Commission Implementing Regulation \(EU\) No 2019/947 | EASA](#)).

³ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/947 of 24 May 2019 on the rules and procedures for the operation of unmanned aircraft (OJ L 152, 11.6.2019, p. 45) (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32019R0947&qid=1641402321688>).

⁴ EASA is bound to follow a structured rulemaking process as required by Article 115(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139. Such a process has been adopted by the EASA Management Board (MB) and is referred to as the 'Rulemaking Procedure'. See MB Decision No 01-2022 of 2 May 2022 on the procedure to be applied by EASA for the issuing of opinions, certification specifications and other detailed specifications, acceptable means of compliance and guidance material ('Rulemaking Procedure'), and repealing Management Board Decision No 18-2015 ([EASA MB Decision No 01-2022 on the Rulemaking Procedure, repealing MB Decision 18-2015 \(by written procedure\) | EASA \(europa.eu\)](#)).



Article 2

Entry into force and application

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the Official Publication of EASA.

1. The AMC and GM on SORA 2.5, issued with this Decision, shall enter into force and apply on the day following that of the publication of this Decision in the Official Publication of EASA.
2. However, the date of application of the AMC and GM on SORA 2.0, issued with Decision 2019/021/R, shall remain unchanged.

Cologne, [Date of adoption by ED]

For the European Union Aviation Safety Agency

The Executive Director

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