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COVID-19
PRODUCTION FLIGHT TEST DURING LOCKDOWN

1. Applicability

This notice is applicable only to approved Part 148: Manufacturing organisations intending to conduct production flight test on new production aircraft as per the Regulations issued under Government Gazette No. 43258 of 29 April 2020.

2. Purpose of this General Notice

This General Notice serves to address all production flight tests necessary in terms of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 2011 (As amended) and as recommended by aircraft manufacturers. South African Civil Aviation Authority (“SACAA”) has put in place a contingency requirement to cater for the COVID-19 pandemic circumstances to ensure aircraft complies with the appropriate airworthiness design standards.

3. Background

On 15 March 2020, the President of the Republic of South Africa declared a national state of disaster regarding the COVID-19 outbreak. In this regard, the President also put in place several measures with the intention of limiting exposure and the potential spread of the virus. On 23 March 2020, in furtherance of the management of the state of disaster, the President declared a 21-day national lockdown effective 26 March 2020 at midnight. On 9 April the President further announced an extension of the lockdown up to 30 April 2020.

Furthermore, on the 23 April 2020 the President announce the easing of restrictions of the lockdown to Level 4 from 01 May 2020 which would allow business to open the workplaces for a limited number of employees returning to work. The objective under Level 4 is to take extreme precautions to limit transmissions and outbreaks while allowing some activities to resume.

4. Production flight test related to new manufactured aircraft: Gazette No. 43258 of 29 April 2020

Following the issuance of the Regulation by The Minister of Transport (Government Gazette 43271 dated 4 May 2020) in line with the regulations promulgated by the Minister of Corporate Governance and Traditional Affairs published on 30 April 2020 this Notice provide the aviation industry the necessary guidance for compliance. SACAR 148.02.1 (d) allows approved 148 manufacturing organisations to carry out some maintenance of new aircraft.

Although the Privileges of Approved Manufacturing Organisations holder that are under CAR 148.02.12 remain unaffected during the lockdown period, however, since flights are prohibited during lockdown, Approved Manufacturing Organisations holder that intend to perform production flight test after new production aircraft is built are required to apply for a special flight permit

4.1. The following documents need to be submitted with the application

- 4.1.1. Final Work packs sign off by the Quality Manager or Accountable Manger.
- 4.1.2. Pre-inspection check list before and after ground run.

4.2. Submission of the Special Flight Permit application form

- 4.2.1. Application form applicable for ZS registered aircraft is CA 21-15.
- 4.2.2. Application form applicable for ZU registered aircraft is CA 24-05
- 4.2.3. Special flight permit applications must be submitted to eng@caa.co.za.
- 4.2.4. The special flight permits will be issued for take-off and landing at the same airport or airfield.
- 4.2.5. The flight will be restricted to 100km radius from the relevant airport or airfield.

4.3. Compliance with disinfection

- 4.3.1. Aircraft Manufacturing organisations are required to submit procedure to Civil Aviation and procedure must demonstrate measures they are going to put in place in order to eliminate risk of spreading Covid 19.
- 4.3.2. No person will be allowed to enter a building, place or premises if they do not wear a cloth face mask or homemade item that covers nose and mouth
- 4.3.3. Aircraft Manufacturing organisations must put measures in place to adhere to physical distancing to curb the spread of the virus.

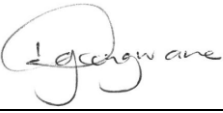
4.3.4. Aircraft Manufacturing organisations must put in place procedures for cleaning and disinfection of their premises on regular intervals.

5. Effective date:

This Notice is effective from the date of issue as indicated above.

6. Comments or Queries

For any comments, suggestions or general queries regarding this Notice please contact: Meshack Jabulane Ngcongwane, Acting Manager: Airworthiness Engineering at ngcongwanej@caa.co.za or Mobile: 082 727 0219

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