



Flight Safety Notification

General

Flight Safety Notifications (FSNs) are not mandatory in nature, but provide means such as guidance, methods, procedures and practices acceptable to the Authority for complying with regulations and other requirements in a systematic manner. These are not necessarily the only means of compliance. FSNs may also contain explanations of regulations, other guidance material, best practices or information useful to the aviation community. Unless incorporated into a regulation by reference, FSNs are not regulatory and do not create or change a regulatory requirement. A change of a regulatory requirement may come in the form of a Directive. A Flight Safety Notification is not a Directive.

No Expiration Date - Operator Certificates

Reason for Revision

Standardization of format to all Flight Safety Notifications.

Purpose

The purpose of this Flight Safety Notification is to inform AOC and ATO holders that the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority (JCAA) in keeping with best practices of civil aviation authorities globally intends to issue Air Operator and Approved Training Organization Certificates without any expiry dates.

References

N/A

Applicability

This FSN applies to all Air Operators and Approved Training Organisations certified by the JCAA.

Effectivity

This FSN is effective immediately.

The change will take effect on the renewal or initial issue of all Air Operator and Approved Training Organization Certificates henceforth.

Definitions

Air Operator Certificate (AOC) - means a certificate issued by the Authority or competent authority of State other than Jamaica authorizing the holder to conduct flight operations for remuneration hire or valuable considerations.

AOC holder - the person or entity to which an AOC has been issued.

Jamaican Air Operator - means an AOC holder operating under the authority of the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority domestically or internationally.

Approved Training Organization (ATO) - means an organization approved by the Authority, in accordance with the Jamaica Civil Aviation regulations (JCARS), to perform flight crew training and other training approved by the Authority.

Background

Jamaican Operators have long requested that AOC's, ATO's and other certificates be issued without expiry date as is the practice in many other countries of the world. The JCAA, based on the regulations, has several options available to effecting this change and by this FSN will implement the required change.

Action

The JCAA hereby changes the wording of the final paragraph of the Air Operator Certificate from:

"This certificate is not transferable and unless sooner, surrendered, suspended, or revoked, shall continue effect until midnight ..."

to:

"This certificate is not transferable and will continue in effect, unless surrendered, suspended or revoked."

Approved by: _____



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