## **Foreword**

The purpose of this Handbook is to provide guidance to personnel responsible for the assessment of applications for operational approval to conduct Performance Based Navigation Operations. Over the years, a number of regions have established local RNAV and RNP standards which led to complexity in international operations and operational approvals. ICAO has developed the concept of Performance Based Navigation and harmonized the concepts and requirements which are now contained in the ICAO Performance Based Navigation (PBN) Manual (DOC 9613). The Handbook supplements the information contained in the PBN Manual related to operational approval of PBN.

Maldives Civil Aviation Authority [MCAA] staff shall adhere to the policy and procedures contained in this Handbook when authorizing PBN operations. Because of the wide scope of operations involved and the many variables that can be encountered in aircraft equipment, it is impossible to anticipate all situations; therefore MCAA personnel should exercise common sense and good judgement in the application of these policies and procedures.



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