



## DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION

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## LIST OF APPROVED ORGANISATIONS - ACCEPTABLE CERTIFICATION AND DOCUMENTS

### 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 All firms/organisations/operators engaged in manufacture/maintenance/ overhaul/storage and distribution of aircraft parts and materials in respect of Maldivian aircraft are required to have the prior approval of DCA in accordance with Civil Aviation Regulations part 6, the requirements of which have been further elaborated vide MAR Series "E". The various firms approved by the Department of Civil Aviation in different categories are as follows.

Category "A"	Primary companies for manufacture of aircraft
Category "B"	Overhaul of aircraft, engines and components
Category "C"	Maintenance of Airframes, engines and systems
Category "D"	Test laboratories
Category "E"	Fuel, lubricants and special petroleum products
Category "F"	Storage and distribution of previously certified aircraft goods/parts

- 1.2 The current list of all the firms approved by the this Department in various categories mentioned above indicating in brief the scope of approval granted to each firm is given at appendix I to this circular.

### 2. PURPOSE

- 2.1 It is emphasised that the approval to an organisation is granted by this Department after a detailed study of the firm like checking the qualifications of Quality Control Manager (QCM)/ Inspectors, scrutiny of the engineering exposition and their procedures, availability of up-to-date technical literature, physical inspection of their engineering facilities by a Surveyor of this Department and after satisfying other requirements as contained in MAR Series "E". It is, therefore, important for Maldivian operators in pursuance of regulations that whenever any outside work is involved, they utilise the facilities of **only approved firms**.

- 2.2 However, in case of import of aircraft parts and materials, DCA accepts the approval granted to such firms by the Airworthiness Authority of that country after satisfying himself about the procedure of release of spares and materials etc. Such firms normally are required to issue a document certifying the airworthiness of the released item.

### **3. ACCEPTABLE CERTIFICATION AND DOCUMENTS**

- 3.1 All Maldivian operators are advised to ensure that parts imported by them have got valid certification documents before using the same on an aircraft.

- 3.2 Brief details of certificates/documents issued by some countries are given below for guidance. These certificates/documents will be acceptable to the Department as a proof that the parts are genuine and can be used on the aircraft, subject to the condition that they have not sustained any damage while in transit and the shelf life where applicable has not expired. In case of doubt, the operators may seek prior information from the Department regarding correct documentation.

#### **3.3 UNITED KINGDOM**

Aircraft spares and materials imported from United Kingdom must be accompanied by a document identified as "Authorised Release Certificate-Airworthiness Approval Tag". The certificate should contain a statement that it has been issued under the authority of Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) and should specify the date of issue and the reference No. of the authority granted by the CAA. In addition it should contain the certification for new/used parts in accordance with the British Civil Airworthiness Requirements sub-section A8-1 Appendix III and A8-3.

#### **3.4 FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

The manufacturers of aircraft, aircraft components and materials are approved by the airworthiness authority in Germany called Lufthart-Bundesamt (LBA). The imports from Germany should accompany a document issued by the approved manufacturer, identified as 'Stuckprufschein' (Certificate of inspection). This certificate must quote the LBA approval number granted to the issuing organisation and contain a signed declaration that the aircraft components and aircraft materials are airworthy or an Authorised Release Certificate/Airworthiness Approval Tag (JAA form one) on similar lines as issued by CAA, UK (being a member country of European Airworthiness Consortium (JAA)).

#### **3.5 AUSTRALIA**

Aircraft spares and materials imported from Australia must be accompanied by a document identified as a Release Note which should contain a statement to the effect that the Release Note is issued under the authority of a certificate of approval granted by the Secretary to the Department of Transport and quotes the approval reference number of that certificate, or in case of aircraft, engine or propeller an appropriate log book in which all entries required by Air Navigation Orders have been made.

### 3.6 FRANCE

In France 'Bureau Veritas' is an organisation which performs certain duties in respect of the airworthiness of Civil Aircraft under delegation from the French Government ie. Direction Generale De L' Aviation Civile (DGAC), France.

Aircraft components and materials of French manufacture should accompany the following documents.

- a) A Certificate De Controle (Certificate of Inspection) issued by the Bureau Veritas; or
- b) 1) a "Certificate de conformite" (Certificate of Compliance); or  
2) a "Ficha Matricule D' Equipment" (Equipment Log Card) provided such document is endorsed by the Bureau Veritas or
- c) an Authorised Release Certificate/Airworthiness Approval Tag (JAA form one) on similar lines as issued by CAA, UK (being a member country of European Airworthiness Consortium (JAA)).

### 3.7 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Aeronautical products exported from the USA are classified into Class I, II or III groups as follows:-

**A class I product** is a complete type certificated aircraft, aircraft engine or a propeller.

**A class II product** is a major component of a class I product (e.g. wings, fuselage, empennage assemblies, landing gears, power transmissions, control surfaces, etc.), the failure of which would jeopardise the safety of a class I product; or any part, material or appliance, approved and manufactured under the technical standard order (TSO) system in the "C" Series.

**A class III product** is any part or component which is not a class I or Class II product and includes standard parts, ie. those designated as AN, NAS, SAS etc.

**All class I items** are manufactured under Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) type approval and when exported to Maldives shall be accompanied by Export certificate of Airworthiness - FAA form 8130-4.

**All Class II items** from USA should accompany a document identified as Airworthiness Approval Tag FAA form 8130-3 (formally FAA form 186)

**All class III products** should be accompanied by:-


- i) An Airworthiness Approval Tag - FAA form 8130-3 or
- ii) a document issued by the manufacturer of the component and which contains a certification to the effect that the component was manufactured under:-

- a) A Production Certificate granted under United States of America, Federal Aviation Regulations Part 21, sub part G;
- b) and FAA Parts Manufacturing Approval (PMA) granted under United States of America, Federal Aviation Regulations Part 21, sub-part K; or
- c) a Technical Standard Order (TSO) authorisation granted under United States of America, Federal Aviation Regulations Part 37, sub-part A.

Reconditioned, used or surplus parts must be accompanied by a document issued by a FAA certificated Repair Station, which quotes the certificate number issued to that Repair Station under United States of America, Federal Aviation Regulations Part 145.

### 3.8 **REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE**

The Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) approves various aircraft suppliers in that country, in accordance with Singapore Airworthiness Requirements and a document identified as Approved Certificate issued under the authority of CAAS specifying the serial number, date of issue and reference number of the authority granted by the CAAS. In addition it also contains a certification that the parts, materials etc. have been manufactured to approved specifications.



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## APPENDIX ONE

	<b>NAME AND ADDRESS</b>	<b>SCOPE</b>
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2.	Allied Signal Singapore (Pte) Ltd 161 Gul Circle Singapore 629619 Ph: (65) 8614533 Fax: (65) 861 2359	B & D
3.	AAR international Inc. No.1 Loyang Street Singapore 508836 Ph: (65) 5429800 Fax: (65) 5429811	B,D,&F
4.	Aeronautical Maintenance Services Hawker Pacific Pte Ltd Aircraft Service Centre Building 2274 West Camp Seletar Airbase Singapore 2879 Ph: (65) 4815733 Fax: (65) 481 9290	B & C
5.	Topcast Aviation Supplies Company Limited Unit A9, 2/F, Block A, Tonic Industrial Centre 26 Kai Cheung Road Kowloon Bay Hong Kong Ph: (852) 2305-4111 Fax: (852) 2305-4388	E & F
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