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Dear Friends

Hi everybody!

The AVGAS topics seems to get more attention in many places among the aviators , with good reason. However, it seems that we still have more unanswered questions than we have answers available. We continue to do our very best to gather all the available information and distribute it as we get it. Here´s an article that Martin came across to:

www.flyingmag.com/update-triggers-questions-on-unleaded-avgas-progress/

The article basically reflects the current situation, it does not provide any answers whatsoever, but on the bright side we have more attention to the topic and more attention usually means more pressure on the rule makers and on the market. Let us hope it works this way round, also this time.

We still do not have the minutes of our AGM, but as soon it is finished I shall distribute it to you, most probably together with the newsflash.

Now follows René´s summary of compiled aeronautical topics covering our activities .. Once again many thanks to René for his marvellous work!

EASA and ECDC formally retire COVID-19 Aviation Health Safety Protocol

On 29/06/2023 EASA published the message as above. The European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) have decided to formally retire the EASA-ECDC joint Aviation Health Safety Protocol (AHSP), while acknowledging its significant value during the high SARS-CoV-2 circulation periods during the pandemic. For more information please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/news/easa-published-new-revision-easy-access-rules-air-operations>

Four New and/or Updated EASA Rules

28/06/2023 EASA publishes updated Easy Access Rules for Normal-Category Aeroplanes (CS-23) CS Amendment 5; AMC/GM Issue 3. Here you will find the details:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/news/easa-publishes-updated-easy-access-rules-normal-category-aeroplanes-cs-23>

27/06/2023 EASA published a new Revision of the Easy Access Rules for Air Operations. Please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/news/easa-published-new-revision-easy-access-rules-air-operations>



Water flying season in Finland is underway!



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23/06/2023 Easy Access Rules for Acceptable Means of Compliance for Airworthiness of Products, Parts and Appliances (AMC-20). Initial issue & Amendments 1-23

This webpage contains the initial issue and Amendments 1-23 of the consolidated Easy Access Rules for Acceptable Means of Compliance for Airworthiness of Products, Parts and Appliances (EAR for AMC-20). This publication introduces into the EAR for AMC-20 the following amendments:

- Amendment 21 (ED Decision 2021/006/R) supporting the implementation of the requirements on commercial operation of certain categories of aeroplanes without an ETOPS approval;
- Amendment 22 (ED Decision 2021/007/R) on ageing aircraft structures; and
- Amendment 23 (ED Decision 2022/001/R) on a regular update of AMC-20.

For more information please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/easy-access-rules/easy-access-rules-acceptable-means-compliance-airworthiness>

22/06/2023 Easy Access Rules for Operational Suitability Data (OSD) Flight Crew Data (CS-FCD) (Initial issue and Issue 2)

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/easy-access-rules/easy-access-rules-operational-suitability-data-osd-flight-crew>



This is the address for more information: <https://electrifly-in.ch/de/mission-2/>

EASA Annual Safety Conference 2023

On-site event at Sevilla, Spain

27/09/2023, 13:00 - 18:00 CET (UTC +1)

28/09/2023, 9:00 - 15:00 CET (UTC +1)

EASA writes: ...The 2023 edition of the EASA Annual Safety Conference will look at the most important hotspots of innovation and discuss the key safety challenges. How do we make sure that aviation remains the safest way to travel and at the same time accelerate aviation's path to NetZero?... For more details go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/easa-annual-safety-conference-2023>





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Terms of Reference (ToR), Notices of Proposed Amendments (NPA), Comment Response Documents (CRD), Opinions, Agency Decisions, and Public Consultations published between 1/6/2023 and 4/7/2023. Titles or text parts in bold characters means that the texts are at least partially important for our community:

ToR None

Notices of Proposed Amendment

21/06/2023 NPA 2023-06 Turbine-engine endurance and initial maintenance programme testing, and substantiation of piston-engine time between overhauls or replacements (ToR RMT.0180). Among others the main topics are

- ensure a robust and harmonised substantiation of piston-engine time between overhauls (TBO) / time between replacements (TBR) intervals and the related maintenance programme;
- ensure as much as possible harmonisation with the corresponding FAA regulations and certification policies.

Deadline:21/09/2023

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/notices-of-proposed-amendment/npa-2023-06>

14/06/2023 NPA 2023-05 Acceptable means of compliance, guidance material and detailed specifications supporting the new regulatory framework on the conformity assessment of ATM/ANS systems and ATM/ANS constituents (covering parts of RMT.0161 and 0524). For the records only. Deadline:02/08/2023. For interested parties:

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/notices-of-proposed-amendment/npa-2023-05>

Agency Decisions:

28 /06/2023 ED Decision 2023/007/R Helicopter emergency medical service performance and public interest sites RMT.0325 and 0326). Not directly for us, interested parties may go to

https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/document-library/agency-decisions/ed-decision-2023007r?utm_campaign=d-20230629&utm_term=pro&mtm_source=notifications&mtm_medium=email&utm_content=title&mtm_placement=content&mtm_group=easa_agency_decision

Comment Response Documents (CRD): None

Opinions: None

EU Consultations: None of relevance for the moment.



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EU Regulations

12/06/2023, OJ L 152 of 13/06/2023 COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2023/1152 correcting certain language versions of Regulation (EU) No 1321/2014 on the continuing airworthiness of aircraft and aeronautical products, parts and appliances, and on the approval of organisations and personnel involved in these tasks contains errors. The **French and German language versions** of Regulation (EU) No 1321/2014 should therefore be corrected accordingly. The other language versions are not affected. For more information please go to

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv%3AOJ.L_.2023.152.01.0005.01.ENG&toc=OJ%3AL%3A2023%3A152%3ATOC

EU Decisions None of relevance for the moment.

EU Publications None of relevance for the moment.

AVGAS 100LL, where are we? (additional information)

Update Triggers Questions on Unleaded Avgas Progress.

We read there: “The clock ticks louder each week, it seems, as pressure grows to move forward with a viable replacement for the primary unleaded avgas in use in the general aviation fleet. And we need more transparency on the process—and the very recipes for the fuels in question—according to industry leaders.” As well as “All of us here today in the industry are unified in removing that lead—it’s how do we get there?”

GAMA hosted the EAGLE roundtable, bringing together stakeholders looking for more transparency and urgency. For the full text please go to

<https://www.flyingmag.com/update-triggers-questions-on-unleaded-avgas-progress/>

Winter Readiness 2023 Online event, for the big birds...

Event dates:

09/08/2023, 14:00 - 15:30 CET (UTC +1)

10/08/2023, 10:00 - 11:30 and 14:00 - 15:30 CET (UTC +1)

This topic also is relevant for our winter operations, to a lesser extent, of course. For more information please go to

<https://www.easa.europa.eu/en/newsroom-and-events/events/winter-readiness-2023>

This address here will bring you more information on the topic:

<https://www.bing.com/search?q=general+aviation+winter+operations&cvid=4226f185f6204cec8b02e3f4667ced72&aqs=edge..69i57j0l8.23838j0j4&FORM=ANAB01&PC=HCTS>



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NASA is to end its experimental X-57 all-electric aircraft

From flightglobal, 26/06/2023: another setback for pure-electric propulsion: NASA is to end its experimental X-57 all-electric aircraft project without flying the prototype airframe, citing a shortage of time to address technical issues. For more information:

<https://www.flightglobal.com/aerospace/nasa-to-end-all-electric-x-57-programme-without-flying-prototype/153921.article>



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Best wishes for good luck and perfect health, kind regards,

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