



ESWATINI CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

Advisory Circular

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1.0 PURPOSE

The Advisory Circular provides guidance to operators and aircraft owners when applying for validation of aircraft noise certificates in accordance with the requirements of regulation 34(2) of the Civil Aviation (Airworthiness) Regulations, 2006.

2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

- 2.1 Regulations 33 and 34 of the Civil Aviation(Airworthiness) Regulations,2006, requires certain class of aircraft to possess noise certificates issued or rendered valid by State of registry prior to operation in Eswatini.
- 2.2 Third Schedule of to these Regulations specifies the chapter classification, as per Annex 16 to the Chicago Convention, of the aircraft to be issued with a noise certificate or a suitable statement attesting noise certification contained in another document approved by the State of registry and required by that State to be carried in the aircraft.
- 2.3 Aircraft registered in Eswatini and falling in the classifications detailed in Third Schedule to these Regulations shall be issued with a noise validation certificate based on the noise certificate issued by the State of manufacture or State of design or a competent authority of State of registry

3.0 GUIDANCE

3. Evaluating the noise certificate for validation

- 3.1. Except for the initial implementation of the regulatory requirements on aircraft already operating in Eswatini without a noise certificate or its validation, all aircraft under which Regulations 33 and 34 of the Eswatini Civil Aviation (Airworthiness) Regulations, 2008 applies, will be evaluated for noise certification during importation, registration and certificate of airworthiness issue.

- 3.2. For aircraft already registered in *Eswatini* and not issued with a noise validation certificate, operators and registered owner will be provided with time to produce noise certificate or copies issued by the manufacturer, State of design or a competent authority from state of registry from which the aircraft was originally imported from. Where such copies cannot be obtained, the Authority may look for an alternative method to comply with the requirement on issuance of a suitable statement attesting is certification either based on certificate or statement issued on similar aircraft type.
- 3.3. Applicants for the initial certification of aircraft are required to ensure the presence of a noise certificate or a suitable statement attesting noise certification issued by the relevant competent authority. Ensure that such certificate or statement confirms compliance with **ICAO Annex 16 Noise Standards**.

4. PROCEDURES

- 4.1. All applicants are required to submit on a letter applying for validation of noise certificate and attach where applicable, the following documents;
- (a) Noise certificate issued by a competent Authority or attesting noise certification statement
 - (b) Take note of the certificate, verify its authenticity and if it clearly specify the aircraft meets Annex 16 noise requirements specified for the aircraft classification.
 - (c) Take note of noise statement attesting noise certification and verify that the relevant authority where the aircraft is designed or manufactured or registered approved the document containing such statement or the statement itself. Verify that the statement specify the aircraft to meet Annex 16 noise requirements specified for the aircraft classification.
 - (d) Take note of all limitations or conditions stated on the noise certificate or statement attesting noise certification.
 - (e) Pay the applicable fees
- 4.2. The Authority would require 10 working days to review and issue a new noise certificate to all qualifying aircraft.

Approved by Director General
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