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China Civil Aviation Technical Standard Order

This China Civil Aviation Technical Standard Order (CTSO) is issued according to Part 37 of the China Civil Aviation Regulations (CCAR-37). Each CTSO is a criterion which the concerned aeronautical materials, parts or appliances used on civil aircraft must comply with when it is presented for airworthiness certification.

Anticollision Light Systems

1. Purpose.

This China Civil Aviation Technical Standard Order (CTSO) is for manufacturers applying for Anticollision Light Systems CTSO authorization (CTSOA). This CTSO specifies the minimum performance standards (MPS) that Anticollision Light Systems must meet for approval and identification with the applicable CTSO marking.

2. Applicability.

This CTSO affects new applications submitted after its effective date. Major design changes to article approved under this CTSO will require a new authorization in accordance with section 21.353 of CCAR-21.

3. Requirements.

New models of Anticollision Light Systems identified and manufactured on or after the effective date of this CTSO must meet the requirements in SAE International (SAE) Aerospace Standard (AS) 8017D, (MPS) Minimum Performance Standard for Anticollision Light

Systems, dated August 2017..

a. Functionality.

This CTSO's standards apply to equipment intended to aid aircraft in the ability to avoid collisions both in the air and on the ground. The anticollision light systems will consist of all components necessary to produce the required intensity distribution, flash rate and chromaticity for collision avoidance around the aircraft. This standard requires all light source designs (i.e. LED, Xenon) or any other lamp designs to meet the intensity and color requirements stated in the MPS above.

b. Failure Condition Classifications.

There is no standard minimum failure condition classification for this CTSO. The failure condition classification appropriate for the equipment will depend on the intended use of the equipment in a specific aircraft. Document the loss of function and malfunction failure condition classification for which the equipment is designed.

c. Functional Qualification.

Demonstrate the required functional performance under the test conditions specified in SAE International (SAE) Aerospace Standard AS8017D sections 3 and 4.

d. Environmental Qualification.

Demonstrate the required performance under the test conditions specified in RTCA/DO-160G using standard environmental conditions and test procedures appropriate for airborne equipment. You may use a different standard environmental condition and test procedure than RTCA-DO-160G, provided the standard is appropriate for the Anticollision Light Systems.

Note: The use of RTCA/DO-160D (with Changes 1 and 2 only) or earlier versions is generally not considered appropriate and will require substantiation via the deviation process as discussed in paragraph 3.g of this CTSO..

e. Software Qualification.

If the article includes software, develop the software according to RTCA/DO-178C, Software Considerations in Airborne Systems and Equipment Certification, dated December 13, 2011, including referenced supplements as applicable, to at least the software level consistent with the failure condition classification defined in paragraph 3.b of this CTSO. If RTCA/DO-178B, dated December 1, 1992 is used as a method of software development compliance, CAAC reserves the right to require applicants to meet additional requirements in addition to RTCA/DO-178B.

f. Electronic Hardware Qualification.

If the article includes complex custom airborne electronic hardware, develop the component according to RTCA/DO-254, Design Assurance Guidance for Airborne Electronic Hardware, dated April 19, 2000, to at least the design assurance level consistent with the failure condition classification defined in paragraph 3.b of this CTSO. For custom airborne electronic hardware determined to be simple, RTCA/DO-254, paragraph 1.6 applies.

g. Deviations.

For using alternative or equivalent means of compliance to the criteria in the MPS of this CTSO, the applicant must show that the equipment maintains an equivalent level of safety. Apply for a deviation pursuant to 21.368(a) in CCAR-21.

4. Marking.

a. Mark at least one major component permanently and legibly with all the information in 21.423(b) of CCAR-21. The marking must include the serial number.

(1) Class I, II or III (ref, SAE AS 8017 D).

(2) Nominal Power input rating.

b. If the article includes software and/or airborne electronic hardware, then the article part numbering scheme must identify the software and airborne electronic hardware configuration. The part

numbering scheme can use separate, unique part numbers for software, hardware, and airborne electronic hardware.

c. The applicant may use electronic part marking to identify software or airborne electronic hardware components by embedding the identification within the hardware component itself (using software) rather than marking it on the equipment nameplate. If electronic marking is used, it must be readily accessible without the use of special tools or equipment.

5. Application Data Requirements.

You must give CAAC a statement of conformance, pursuant to section 21.353(a)(1) in CCAR-21R4 and one copy each of the following technical data to support your design and production approval.

a. Manuals containing the following:

(1) Operating instructions and article limitations sufficient to describe the equipment's operational capability.

(2) Detailed description of all deviations.

(3) Installation procedures and limitations sufficient to ensure that the airborne multipurpose electronic display, when installed according to installation or operational procedures, still meets this CTSO's requirements. Limitations must identify any unique aspects of the installation. The limitations must also include a note with the following

statement:

“This article meets the minimum performance and quality control standards required by a CTSO. Installation of this article requires separate approval.”

(4) For each unique configuration of software and airborne electronic hardware, reference the following:

(i) Software part number including revision and design assurance level;

(ii) Airborne electronic hardware part number including revision and design assurance level;

(iii) Functional description.

(5) A summary of the test conditions used for environmental qualifications for each component of the article. For example, a form as described in RTCA/DO-160G, Environmental Conditions and Test Procedures for Airborne Equipment, Appendix A.

(6) Schematic drawings, wiring diagrams, and any other documentation necessary for installation of airborne multipurpose electronic display.

(7) By-part-number list of replaceable components that makes up the airborne multipurpose electronic display. Include vendor part number

cross-references, when applicable.

b. Instruction of continued airworthiness, including the requirements for periodic maintenance, calibration and repair of equipment, to ensure that the airborne multipurpose electronic display continues to meet the CTSO approved design. If applicable, the recommended inspection interval and service life should be included.

c. If the article includes software: a plan for software aspects of certification (PSAC), software configuration index, and software accomplishment summary.

d. If the article includes simple or complex custom airborne electronic hardware: a plan for hardware aspects of certification (PHAC), hardware verification plan, top-level drawing, and hardware accomplishment summary (or similar document, as applicable).

e. A drawing depicting how the article will be marked with the information required by paragraph 4 of this CTSO.

f. Identify functionality contained in the article not evaluated under paragraph 3 of this CTSO (defined as non-CTSO functions). Non-CTSO functions are accepted in parallel with the CTSOA. For those non-TSO functions to be accepted, you must declare these functions and include the following information with your TSO application:

- (1) Description of the non-TSO function(s), such as performance

specifications, failure condition classifications, software, hardware, and environmental qualification levels. Include a statement confirming that the non-TSO function(s) do not interfere with the article's compliance with the requirements of paragraph 3.

(2) Installation procedures and limitations sufficient to ensure that the non-CTSO function(s) meets the declared functions and performance specification(s) described in paragraph 5.f.(1).

(3) Instructions for continued performance applicable to the non-CTSO function(s) described in paragraph 5.f.(1).

(4) Interface requirements and applicable installation test procedures to ensure compliance with the non-CTSO function(s) performance data defined in paragraph 5.f.(1).

(5) Test plans and analysis as appropriate, to verify that performance of the hosting CTSO article is not affected by the non-CTSO function(s).

(6) Test plans and analysis as appropriate, to verify the function and performance of the non-CTSO function(s) as described in paragraph 5.f.(1).

g. The quality system description required by section 21.358 of CCAR-21R4, including functional test specifications. The quality system must ensure that you will detect any change to the approved design that

could adversely affect compliance with the CTSO MPS, and reject the article accordingly. Applicants who currently hold CTSOAs must submit revisions to the existing quality manual as necessary (not required for applicants that don't hold CTSOA).

- h. Material and process specifications list.
- i. List of all drawings and processes (including revision level) that define the article's design.
- j. Manufacturer's CTSO qualification report showing results of testing accomplished according to paragraph 3.c of this CTSO.

6. Manufacturer Data Requirements.

Besides the data given directly to CAAC, have the following technical data available for review by CAAC:

- a. Functional qualification specifications for qualifying each production article to ensure compliance with this CTSO.
- b. Article calibration procedures.
- c. Schematic drawings.
- d. Wiring diagrams.
- e. Material and process specifications.
- f. The results of the environmental qualification tests conducted according to paragraph 3.d of this CTSO.

g. If the article includes software, the appropriate documentation defined in RTCA/DO-178C or RTCA/DO-178B specified in paragraph 3.e of this CTSO, including all data supporting the applicable objectives called for RTCA/DO-178C or RTCA/DO-178B, Annex A, Process Objectives and Outputs by Software Level.

h. If the article includes complex custom airborne electronic hardware, the appropriate hardware life-cycle data in combination with design assurance level, as defined in RTCA/DO-254, Appendix A, Table A-1. For simple custom airborne electronic hardware, the following data are required: test cases or procedures, test results, test coverage analysis, tool assessment and qualification data, and configuration management records, including problem reports.

i. If the article contains non-CTSO function(s), you must also make items 6.a through 6.h available as they pertain to the non-CTSO function(s).

7. Furnished Data Requirements.

a. When furnishing one or more articles manufactured under this CTSO to one entity (such as an operator or repair station), provide one copy access to the data in paragraphs 5.a and 5.b of this CTSO. Add any other data needed for the proper installation, certification, use, or continued compliance with this CTSO, of the airborne multipurpose

electronic display.

b. If the article contains declared non-CTSO function(s), include one copy of the data in paragraphs 5.f.(1) through 5.f.(4).

8. Availability of Referenced Documents.

a. Order RTCA documents from RTCA, Inc., 1150 18th Street NW., Suite 910, Washington, DC 20036. Telephone: (202) 833-9339; fax: (202) 833-9434. You can also order copies online at www.rtca.org.

b. Order SAE documents from SAE International, 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096-0001. Telephone: (724) 776-4970, fax: (724) 776-0790. You can also order copies online at www.sae.org.

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