

Safety Circular 2020-03 Issue 02 Date of Issue: April 8th 2020

Subject:

Flexibility Provisions Due to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (Covid-19).

Reference: Publication. Safety Circular 2020-03.

Applicability:

This Safety Circular shall be applicable to all Aerodrome Operators and Associated Organizations within Sultanate of Oman for the period indicated in the table below, Subject to further extension as the situation dictates.

Introduction:

Following the declaration of a pandemic outbreak of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) by the World Health Organization (WHO) on March 11th 2020 and as the situation continues to evolve, the Sultanate of Oman's Supreme Committee has taken a number of decisions and actions as interim measures for the public interest to reduce the possibility of inter-person transmission of infectious disease. These decisions include, reducing the number of staff in workplaces, preventing gatherings and meetings and limiting movement within the Sultanate, in addition to other measures. These restrictions will negatively affect airport operators ability to fulfilling the requirements for renewal of aerodrome operating licenses and completing mandatory training required.

As a result of the aforementioned unforeseen circumstances, PACA:

- a) Found it necessary to reduce the severity of the disruption; and
- b) Present an immediate response to mitigate the impact of Covid-19 outbreak while assuring minimum standards and an acceptable level of safety are met.

Requirement:

With regard to Aerodrome certification, Pressure Fed Fuel Fires (PFFF), First Aid Certification, Proficiency Certification, and Fire Staff Medical Certification shall apply: -

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- Aerodrome certification issued in accordance with CAR139 Part 1 11.6:
 Provided that the regular validity period of Aerodrome certificate expires before 30th September 2020, that validity period is extend for a period of up to 336 days to coincide with the next AIRAC date 12 cycles from the original expire date.
- 2. Pressure Fed Fuel Fires (PFFF) in accordance with CAR139 Part 1 9.2.46: Provided that the regular validity period of the training requirements expires before 30th September 2020, that validity period is extend up to 8 months from expire date. (with the possibility of further extension depending on the situation).
- 3. First Aid Certification in accordance with Operations Manual:
 Provided that the regular validity period of the certificate expires before 30th
 September 2020, that validity period is extend up to 6 months from expire date.
- 4. Proficiency Certification in accordance with Operations Manual:
 Provided that the regular validity period of the certificate expires before 30th
 September 2020, that validity period is extend up to 12 months from expire date.
- 5. Fire Staff Medical Certification in accordance with CAR139 Part 1 9.2.66:

 Provided that the regular validity period of the certificate expires before 30th

 September 2020, that validity period is extend up to 6 months from expire date.

With regards,

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