


OPERATIONS ADVISORY NOTICE (OAN)		 Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate Flight Operations Inspectorate Civil Aviation Avenue Luqa LQA 9023 Malta
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Subject: Airborne Collision Avoidance System (ACAS) II (Version 7.1)		

1.0 Introduction

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) No 1332/2011 of 16 December 2011 relating to ACAS II Version 7.1 has already been brought to the attention of Maltese Operators through the Flight Operations Consultation Group (FOCG) and by email to be forewarned of the applicability of this regulation as from 1st December, 2015.

EU 1332/2011 takes into account three aspects on ACAS.

1. Installation of ACAS II Software 7.1
2. Use of the ACAS system
3. Training of Crew

2.0 Installation of ACAS II Software 7.1

This regulation affects all aircraft referred to in AUR.ACAS.1005. Operators are reminded to verify that all aircraft under their management are fully compliant and should be aware that this regulation applies for airspace usage whether commercial or non-commercial. Operators are urged to do so prior to 1st December and if there are any difficulties with the installation of such software they are requested to contact TM-CAD **immediately**.

3.0 Use of ACAS system

ACAS system is considered as safety critical equipment and the use of such equipment is paramount for the safe conduct of flight. Please ensure that the safety policy on the use of the ACAS is properly worded with clear instructions in the Operations Manual. Ambiguous statements such as 'looking out for conflicting traffic before applying ACAS instructions' or other instructions that may give the impression to the crew that may delay unnecessarily the execution of ACAS instructions are unacceptable.

4.0 ACAS II training

Operators must ensure that crew members are trained in relation to the new operating procedures and have demonstrated competence in the use of such equipment.

5.0 Conclusion

Please contact TM-CAD Flight Operations Inspectorate if you are aware of any difficulties implementing the Regulation by its applicability date.

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