


<b>OPERATIONS ADVISORY NOTICE (OAN)</b>		 Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate Flight Operations Inspectorate Transport Malta Malta Transport Centre Pantar Road Lija LJA 2021 Malta
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<b>Subject: Procedures requiring prior approval before each event</b>		

## 1.0 Introduction

This notice is in addition to 06A/16 - Administration of OM Changes.

Commission Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 includes requirements prior approvals under CAT.GEN.MPA.155 and CAT.OP.MPA.106.

This OAN provides guidelines to AOC holders and also outlines the policy adopted by TM-CAD in relation to CAT.GEN.MPA.155 and CAT.OP.MPA.106 so as to assist instandardising the approval methods by the inspectorate.

## 2.0 Weapons of war and munitions of war

Weapons of war and munitions of war can only be carried provided such munition of war is carried with the written permission of the Director General of the state of registration and state of operator and in accordance with any conditions relating there to, and approval to do so has been granted by all states whose airspace is intended to be used for the flight before a flight. They must be carried in the aeroplane in a place which is inaccessible to passengers during flight and, in the case of firearms, unloaded.

### Approval

The approval for the carriage of weapons of war and munitions of war under CAT.GEN.MPA.155, shall be shown on the Operations Manual Approval Schedule (form 0091) if the above statement is fully compliant. The schedule shall include all the references to Part A.

## 3.0 Use of isolated aerodromes — aeroplanes

To obtain an approval to conduct operations to isolated aerodromes, an amendment requiring prior approval shall be filed by the operator.

The amendment to the Operations Manual shall include the following elements –

- i. A policy in OMA Section 8.XX fulfilling the requirements of CAT.OP.MPA.106;
- ii. A statement in the Fuel Policy in OMA, fulfilling the requirements of CAT.OP.MPA.106(b)(2).
- iii. An amendment to OM Part C, clearly listing the aerodromes which are considered as isolated.

### Risk Assessment

The use of an isolated aerodrome exposes the aircraft and passengers to a greater risk than to operations where a destination alternate aerodrome is available. Whether an aerodrome is classified as an isolated aerodrome or not often depends on which aircraft are used for operating the aerodrome. TM-CAD would therefore assess whether all possible means are applied by the operator to mitigate the greater risk.

The submission, should include an assessment of all the factors that have been considered by the operator when operating to the isolated aerodrome. These may include –

- i. Ground Handling facilities available at the aerodrome;
- ii. Any particular weather conditions; weather minima applied for the aerodrome;
- iii. Time of operations (e.g. night operations may pose a higher degree of risk due to unavailability of suitable enroute alternates).
- iv. RFFS available at destination (no reduced category shall be allowed under these circumstances).

### Other Documentation

The operator may be required to submit additional documentation in order to demonstrate the appropriate risks mitigations have been implemented. Such documentation may include –

- i. Sample copy of an OFP of the desired routing. Inspectors shall verify that the fuel requirements have been updated accordingly.
- ii. Release or Dispatch paperwork clearly indicating the additional provisions to the crew may be sought.
- iii. Enroute plotting charts showing areas where enroute aerodromes and pre-determined decision point are located.

### Approval

The approval of use of isolated aerodromes under CAT.OP.MPA.106, shall be shown on the Operations Manual Approval Schedule (Form 0091) if documented procedures for 3.0 above are detailed in OMA. The schedule shall include all the references to Part A **and** the relevant aircraft type.

## **4.0 Application Form**

The revised application Form 0091 "Operations Manual Approval Schedule", is being provided together with this OAN and is available online. The application form is self explanatory and any user approval, or changes if applicable, shall be done by compiling this form.

**Flight Operations Inspectorate**