

25th January 2019

Dear Doctor,

The updates to Part MED implementing rules (IRs), that have been in the pipeline for a few years now, were published on 10th January 2019 by the European Commission. EASA have informed us that they will shortly publish updates to the associated Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMCs). The CAA is required to implement the changes by 30th January 2019.

I have attached a copy of the new implementing rules and we will be updating the guidance material on our website with the AMCs during the coming weeks. There are PowerPoint slides attached to this e-mail which set out the significant changes. Please check the list of new and updated guidance. If you are using guidance that you have printed from our website, then please ensure that this is still current.

You will notice changes to the guidance material and regulations on our website starting early next week as we update the IRs, AMCs and our guidance columns. Please refer to the attached IRs document (Part MED 2019/27) to ensure that you are using the correct implementing rules until we have notified you that our updates have been completed.

The main headlines are:

- **Inclusion in the AMCs of a comprehensive mental health assessment initial/revalidation/ renewal** – CAA Mental Health workshop in September 2018 which was recorded for inclusion on the eLearning Platform
- **ECGs now required at all initial Class 2 medicals (from 30th January onwards) for all AMEs**
- **New drug and alcohol screening requirements for initial Class 1 applicants for all AeMCs**
- Amalgamation of Psychiatry and Psychology into Mental Health
- Updates to nearly all the vision guidance
- **New ORL limitation** (valid only with a safety pilot if passengers are carried and with aircraft with dual controls) for Class 2 and LAPL

There are many more changes/updates (please see the attached slides)

There are also changes to Part MED section D concerning AME certification and training and an additional communication will be sent from Dr Michael Trudgill (Head of Oversight and Training) to cover these.

The new IRs refer to the EAMR (European Aero-Medical Repository). This has not been made available by EASA and their project is significantly delayed. You are not required to comply with the requirements relating to EAMR for the time being.

Kind regards,

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