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In Pursuant to Section 120 of the Civil Aviation Act No.14 of 2010 (which is hereinafter referred to as the Civil Aviation CA Act,) Director General of Civil Aviation (hereinafter referred to as the DGCA) shall have the power to issue, whenever he considers it necessary or appropriate to do so, such Implementing Standards for the Purpose of giving effect to any provision in the CA Act, Regulations or Rules made thereunder including the Articles of the Convention on International Civil Aviation specified in the Schedule to the CA Act.

Accordingly, I, being the DGCA do hereby issue this Implementing Standard of “ICAO Annex 6 - Part III” as mentioned in the attachment hereto IS-6-(III)-All which sets the requirements that shall be complied with aircraft that are coming under the jurisdiction and operated for commercial services.

This implementing Standard shall be applicable to holders of Air Operator Certificate, Foreign Air Operator Certificate issued by DGCA and any applicant seeking an Air Operator Certificate or Foreign Air Operator Certificate and shall come in to force with effect from 16th of March 2023 and remain force unless revised or revoked

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Attention is also drawn to Section 103 of the Act No.14 of 2010, which states inter alia that failure to comply with Implementing Standard is an offence. Further, if any standard stipulated in this implementing standard is not completed with or violated, an appropriate enforcement action will be taken as per the Aviation Enforcement Policy and Procedures Manual, SLCAP 0005 by the DGCA under section 102 of the CA Act No 14 of 2010.

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Preamble

1. Notice to the Recipient

- 1.1. The requirements in this Implementing Standard are based on the Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) adopted by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and incorporated in the Amendment No.24 to Annex 06 Part (III) “Operation of Aircraft” – International Operations – Helicopters.
- 1.2. In pursuance of the obligation cast under Article 38 of the Convention which requires the Contracting States to notify the ICAO of any differences between the national regulations of the States and practices and the International Standards contained in the respective Annex and any amendments thereto, the CAASL will be taking steps to notify ICAO of such differences relating to either a Standard or a Recommended Practice, if any. The CAASL will also keep the ICAO currently informed of any differences which may subsequently occur, or of the withdrawal of any differences previously notified. Furthermore, the CAASL will take steps for the publication of differences between the national regulations and practices and the related ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices through the Aeronautical Information Service, which is published in accordance with the provisions in the Annex-15 to the Convention.
- 1.3. Taking into account of the ICAO council resolution dated 13 April 1948 which invited the attention of Contracting States of the desirability of using in the State’s national regulations, as far as is practicable, the precise language of those ICAO Standards that are of a regulatory character, to the greatest extent possible the CAASL has attempted to retain the ICAO texts in the Annex in drafting this Implementing Standard.
- 1.4. Status of ICAO Annex components in the Implementing Standard
Some of the components in an ICAO Annex are as follows and they have the status as indicated:
 - 1.4.1. **Standard:** Any specification for physical characteristics, configuration, material, performance, personnel or procedure, the uniform application of which is recognized as necessary for the safety or regularity of international air navigation and to which Contracting States will conform in accordance with the Convention; in the event of impossibility of compliance, notification to the Council is compulsory under Article 38. The ICAO Standards are reflected in the Implementing Standards if they are locally implemented using the normal fonts and recipients are required to conform to such requirements invariably.
 - 1.4.2. **Recommended Practice:** Any specification for physical characteristics, configuration, material, performance, personnel or procedure, the uniform application of which is recognized as desirable in the interest of safety, regularity, efficiency or environmentally responsiveness of international air navigation, and to which Contracting States will endeavour to conform in accordance with the Convention. The ICAO Recommended Practices are reflected in the Implementing Standards in italic fonts and the Recipients are encouraged to implement them to the greatest extent possible

- 1.4.3. **Appendices:** Comprising material grouped separately for convenience but forming part of the Standards and Recommended Practices adopted by the Council. Enforcement action on such matters will be as in the case of Standards or Recommended Practices.
- 1.4.4. **Definitions:** A definition does not have independent status but is an essential part of each Standard and Recommended Practice in which the term is used, since a change in the meaning of the term would affect the specification.
- 1.4.5. **Tables and Figures:** add to or illustrate a Standard or Recommended Practice, and which are referred to therein, form part of the associated Standard or Recommended Practice and have the same status.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

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Abbreviations

ACAS	Airborne collision avoidance systems
ADRS	Aircraft data recording system
ADS-C	Automatic dependent surveillance — contract
AFCS	Automatic flight control system
AIR	Airborne image recorder
AIRS	Airborne image recording system
AOC	Air operator certificate
APCH	Approach
AR	Authorization required
ATC	Air traffic control
ATM	Air traffic management
ATN	Aeronautical telecommunication network
ATS	Air traffic services
CAA	Civil Aviation Authority
CARS	Cockpit audio recording system
CAT I	Category I
CAT II	Category II
CAT III	Category III
CFIT	Controlled flight into terrain
cm	Centimetre
COMAT	Operator material
CPDLC	Controller-pilot data link communications
CVR	Cockpit voice recorder
CVS	Combined vision system
DA	Decision altitude
DA/H	Decision altitude/height
DGCA	Director General of Civil Aviation (Sri Lanka)
DH	Decision height
DLR	Data link recorder
DLRS	Data link recording system
DME	Distance measuring equipment
EFB	Electronic flight bag
EFIS	Electronic flight instrument system
EGT	Exhaust gas temperature
EICAS	Engine indication and crew alerting system
ELT	Emergency locator transmitter
ELT (AD)	Automatic deployable ELT
ELT (AF)	Automatic fixed ELT
ELT (AP)	Automatic portable ELT
ELT(S)	Survival ELT
EPR	Engine pressure ratio
EUROCAE	European Organization for Civil Aviation Equipment
EVS	Enhanced vision system
FANS	Future air navigation system

FATO	Final approach and take-off area
FDR	Flight data recorder
FM	Frequency modulation
Ft	Foot
g	Normal acceleration
HPa	Hectopascal
HUD	Head-up display
IFR	Instrument flight rules
IGE	In-ground effect
ILS	Instrument landing system
IMC	Instrument meteorological conditions
InHg	Inch of mercury
Kg	Kilogram
km	Kilometre
kN	Kilo newton
Kt	Knot
LDAH	Landing distance available
LDP	Landing decision point
LDRH	Landing distance required
LED	Light emitting diode
m	Metre
mb	Millibar
MDA	Minimum descent altitude
MDA/H	Minimum descent altitude/height
MDH	Minimum descent height
MEL	Minimum equipment list
MHz	Megahertz
MLS	Microwave landing system
MMEL	Master minimum equipment list
MOPS	Minimum operational performance specification
N ₁	Low pressure compressor speed (two-stage compressor); fan speed (three-stage compressor)
NM	Nautical mile
NVIS	Night vision imaging systems
OCA	Obstacle clearance altitude
OCA/H	Obstacle clearance altitude/height
OCH	Obstacle clearance height
OEI	One engine inoperative
OGE	Out of ground effect
PANS	Procedures for Air Navigation Services
PBC	Performance-based communication
PBN	Performance-based navigation
PBS	Performance-based surveillance
PNR	Point of no return
psi	Pound per square inch
R	Rotor radius
RCP	Required communication performance
RNAV	Area navigation
RNP	Required navigation performance
RSP	Required surveillance performance

RTCA	Radio Technical Commission for Aeronautics
RVR	Runway visual range
SI	International System of Units
SOP	Standard operating procedure
SVS	Synthetic vision system
T4	Engine exhaust gas temperature
TDP	Take-off decision point
TIT	Turbine inlet temperature
TLOF	Touchdown and lift-off area
TODAH	Take-off distance available
TODRH	Take-off distance required
UTC	Coordinated universal time
VFR	Visual flight rules
VMC	Visual meteorological conditions
VNAV	Vertical navigation
VTOSS	Take-off safety speed
V _y	Best rate of climb speed

Symbols

°C	Degrees Celsius
%	Per cent

SECTION I – GENERAL

CHAPTER 1.

DEFINITIONS

When the following definitions are used by the DGCA for international operations with helicopters, they have the following meanings:

Advanced aircraft.

An aircraft with equipment in addition to that required for a basic aircraft for a given take-off, approach or landing operation.

Aerial work.

An aircraft operation in which an aircraft is used for specialized services such as agriculture, construction, photography, surveying, observation and patrol, search and rescue, aerial advertisement, etc.

Aerodrome.

A defined area on land or water (including any buildings, installations and equipment) intended to be used either wholly or in part for the arrival, departure and surface movement of aircraft.

Agreement summary.

When an aircraft is operating under an Article 83 bis agreement between the State of Registry and another State, the agreement summary is a document transmitted with the Article 83 bis Agreement registered with the ICAO Council that identifies succinctly and clearly which functions and duties are transferred by the State of Registry to that other State.

The other State in the above definition refers to either the State of the Operator for commercial air transport operations or, for general aviation operations, to the State of the principal location of a general aviation operator.

Aircraft.

Any machine that can derive support in the atmosphere from the reactions of the air other than the reactions of the air against the earth's surface.

Aircraft operating manual.

A manual, acceptable to the DGCA, containing normal, abnormal and emergency procedures, checklists, limitations, performance information, details of the aircraft systems and other material relevant to the operation of the aircraft. The aircraft operating manual is part of the operations manual.

Air operator certificate (AOC).

A certificate authorizing an operator to carry out specified commercial air transport operations.

Air traffic service (ATS).

A generic term meaning variously, flight information service, alerting service, air traffic advisory service, air traffic control service (area control service, approach control service or aerodrome control service).

Airworthy.

The status of an aircraft, engine, propeller or part when it conforms to its approved design and is in a condition for safe operation.

Airworthiness requirements.

The Appropriate comprehensive and detailed airworthiness codes established, adopted or accepted by a Contracting State for the class of aircraft, engine or propeller under consideration.

Alternate heliport.

A heliport to which a helicopter may proceed when it becomes either impossible or inadvisable to proceed to or to land at the heliport of intended landing where the necessary services and facilities are available, where aircraft performance requirements can be met and which is operational at the expected time of use. Alternate heliports include the following:

Take-off alternate. An alternate heliport at which a helicopter would be able to land should this become necessary shortly after take-off and it is not possible to use the heliport of departure.

En-route alternate. An alternate heliport at which a helicopter would be able to land in the event that a diversion becomes necessary while en-route.

Destination alternate. An alternate heliport at which a helicopter would be able to land should it become either impossible or inadvisable to land at the heliport of intended landing. The heliport from which a flight departs may be an en-route or a destination alternate heliport for that flight.

Approach and landing phase -Helicopters

That part of the flight from 300 m (1 000 ft) above the elevation of the FATO, if the flight is planned to exceed this height, or from the commencement of the descent in the other cases, to landing or to the bailed landing point.

Appropriate airworthiness requirements.

The comprehensive and detailed airworthiness codes established, adopted or accepted by a Contracting State for the class of aircraft, engine or propeller under consideration.

Area navigation (RNAV).

A method of navigation which permits aircraft operation on any desired flight path within the coverage of ground- or space-based navigation aids or within the limits of the capability of self-contained aids, or a combination of these. Area navigation includes performance-based navigation as well as other operations that do not meet the definition of performance-based navigation

Basic aircraft.

An aircraft which has the minimum equipment required to perform the intended take-off, approach or landing operation.

Cabin crew member.

A crew member who performs, in the interest of safety of passengers, duties assigned by the operator or the pilot-in-command of the aircraft, but who shall not act as a flight crew member.

COMAT.

Operator material carried on an operator's aircraft for the operator's own purposes.

Combined vision system (CVS).

A system to display images from a combination of an enhanced vision system (EVS) and a synthetic vision system (SVS).

Commercial air transport operation.

An aircraft operation involving the transport of passengers, cargo or mail for remuneration or hire.

Configuration deviation list (CDL).

A list established by the organization responsible for the type design with the approval of the State of Design which identifies any external parts of an aircraft type which may be missing at the commencement of a flight, and which contains, where necessary, any information on associated operating limitations and performance correction.

Congested area.

In relation to a city, town or settlement, any area which is substantially used for residential, commercial or recreational purposes.

Congested hostile environment.

A hostile environment within a congested area.

Continuing airworthiness.

The set of processes by which an aircraft, engine, rotor or part complies with the applicable airworthiness requirements and remains in a condition for safe operation throughout its operating life

Continuing airworthiness records.

Records which are related to the continuing airworthiness status of an aircraft, engine, rotor or associated part.

Continuous descent final approach (CDFA).

A technique, consistent with stabilized approach procedures, for flying the final approach segment (FAS) of an instrument non-precision instrument approach (NPA) procedure as a continuous descent, without level-off, from an altitude/height at or above the final approach fix altitude/height to a point approximately 15 m (50 ft) above the landing runway threshold or the point where the flare manoeuvre begins for the type of aircraft flown; for the FAS of an NPA procedure followed by a circling approach, the CDFA technique applies until circling approach minima (circling OCA/H) or visual flight manoeuvre altitude/height are reached.

Crew member.

A person assigned by an operator to duty on an aircraft during a flight duty period.

Dangerous goods.

Articles or substances which are capable of posing a risk to health, safety, property or the environment and which are shown in the list of dangerous goods in the Technical Instructions or which are classified according to those Instructions. Dangerous goods are classified in Annex 18, Chapter 3.

Decision altitude (DA) or decision height (DH).

A specified altitude or height in a three-dimensional (3D) instrument approach operation at which

a missed approach must be initiated if the required visual reference to continue the approach has not been established.

Decision altitude (DA) is referenced to mean sea level and decision height (DH) is referenced to the threshold elevation.

The required visual reference means that section of the visual aids or of the approach area which should have been in view for sufficient time for the pilot to have made an assessment of the aircraft position and rate of change of position, in relation to the desired flight path. In Category III operations with a decision height the required visual reference is that specified for the particular procedure and operation.

For convenience where both expressions are used they may be written in the form “decision altitude/height” and abbreviated “DA/H”.

Defined point after take-off (DPATO).

The point, within the take-off and initial climb phase, before which the helicopter’s ability to continue the flight safely, with one engine inoperative, is not assured and a forced landing may be required. Defined points apply to helicopters operating in performance Class 2 only.

Defined point before landing (DPBL).

The point, within the approach and landing phase, after which the helicopter’s ability to continue the flight safely, with one engine inoperative, is not assured and a forced landing may be required. Defined points apply to helicopters operating in performance Class 2 only.

Duty.

Any task that flight or cabin crew members are required by the operator to perform, including, for example, flight duty, administrative work, training, positioning and standby when it is likely to induce fatigue.

Duty period.

A period which starts when a flight or cabin crew member is required by an operator to report for or to commence a duty and ends when that person is free from all duties.

Electronic flight bag (EFB).

An electronic information system, comprised of equipment and applications for flight crew, which allows for the storing, updating, displaying and processing of EFB functions to support flight operations or duties.

Elevated heliport.

A heliport located on a raised structure on land.

Emergency locator transmitter (ELT).

A generic term describing equipment which broadcast distinctive signals on designated frequencies and, depending on application, may be automatically activated by impact or be manually activated. An ELT may be any of the following:

Automatic fixed ELT (ELT(AF)). An automatically activated ELT which is permanently attached to an aircraft.

Automatic portable ELT (ELT(AP)). An automatically activated ELT which is rigidly attached to an aircraft but readily removable from the aircraft.

Automatic deployable ELT (ELT(AD)). An ELT which is rigidly attached to an aircraft and which is automatically deployed and activated by impact, and, in some cases, also by hydrostatic sensors. Manual deployment is also provided.

Survival ELT (ELT(S)). An ELT which is removable from an aircraft, stowed so as to facilitate its ready use in an emergency, and manually activated by survivors.

Engine.

A unit used or intended to be used for aircraft propulsion. It consists of at least those components and equipment necessary for functioning and control, but excludes the propeller/rotors (if applicable).

Enhanced vision system (EVS).

A system to display electronic real-time images of the external scene achieved through the use of image sensors. EVS does not include night vision imaging systems (NVIS).

En-route phase.

That part of the flight from the end of the take-off and initial climb phase to the commencement of the approach and landing phase. Where adequate obstacle clearance cannot be guaranteed visually, flights must be planned to ensure that obstacles can be cleared by an appropriate margin. In the event of failure of the critical engine, operators may need to adopt alternative procedures.

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Fatigue.

A physiological state of reduced mental or physical performance capability resulting from sleep loss, extended wakefulness, circadian phase, and/or workload (mental and/or physical activity) that can impair a person's alertness and ability to adequately perform safety-related operational duties.⁴

Fatigue risk management system (FRMS).

A data-driven means of continuously monitoring and managing fatigue-related safety risks, based upon scientific principles and knowledge as well as operational experience that aims to ensure relevant personnel are performing at adequate levels of alertness.

Final approach and take-off area (FATO).

A defined area over which the final phase of the approach manoeuvres to hover or landing is completed and from which the take-off manoeuvre is commenced. Where the FATO is to be used by helicopters operating in performance Class 1, the defined area includes the rejected take-off area available.

Final approach segment (FAS).

That segment of an instrument approach procedure in which alignment and descent for landing are accomplished.

Flight crew member.

A licensed crew member charged with duties essential to the operation of an aircraft during a flight duty period.

Flight duty period.

A period which commences when a flight or cabin crew member commences is required to report for duty, making that includes a flight or a series of flights, which finishes when the aircraft finally comes to rest and the engines are shut down at the end of the last flight on which he/she is a crew member.

The total time from the moment a flight crew member commences duty, immediately subsequent to a rest period and prior to making a flight or a series of flights, to the moment the flight crew member is relieved of all duties having completed such flight or series of flights.

Flight manual.

A manual, associated with the certificate of airworthiness, containing limitations within which the aircraft is to be considered airworthy, and instructions and information necessary to the flight crew members for the safe operation of the aircraft.

Flight operations officer/flight dispatcher.

A person designated by the operator to engage in the control and supervision of flight operations, whether licensed or not, suitably qualified in accordance with ICAO Annex 1, who supports, briefs and/or assists the pilot-in-command in the safe conduct of the flight.

Flight plan.

Specified information provided to air traffic services units, relative to an intended flight or portion of a flight of an aircraft.

Flight recorder.

Any type of recorder installed in the aircraft for the purpose of complementing accident/incident investigation. Automatic deployable flight recorder (ADFR). A combination flight recorder installed on the aircraft which is capable of automatically deploying from the aircraft.

Flight safety documents system.

A set of interrelated documentation established by the operator, compiling and organizing information necessary for flight and ground operations, and comprising, as a minimum, the operations manual and the operator's maintenance control manual.

Flight simulation training device.

Any one of the following three types of apparatus in which flight conditions are simulated on the ground:

A flight simulator, which provides an accurate representation of the flight deck of a particular aircraft type to the extent that the mechanical, electrical, electronic, etc. aircraft systems control functions, the normal environment of flight crew members, and the performance and flight characteristics of that type of aircraft are realistically simulated;

A flight procedures trainer, which provides a realistic flight deck environment, and which simulates instrument responses, simple control functions of mechanical, electrical, electronic, etc. aircraft systems, and the performance and flight characteristics of aircraft of a particular class;

A basic instrument flight trainer, which is equipped with appropriate instruments, and which simulates the flight deck environment of an aircraft in flight in instrument flight conditions.

Flight time — helicopters. The total time from the moment a helicopter's rotor blades start turning until the moment the helicopter finally comes to rest at the end of the flight, and the rotor blades are stopped.

General aviation operation.

An aircraft operation other than a commercial air transport operation or an aerial work operation. Ground handling. Services necessary for an aircraft's arrival at, and departure from, an airport, other than air traffic services. Head-up display (HUD). A display system that presents flight information into the pilot's forward external field of view.

Helicopter. A heavier-than-air aircraft supported in flight chiefly by the reactions of the air on one or more power-driven rotors on substantially vertical axes.

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A heavier-than-air aircraft supported in flight chiefly by the reactions of the air on one or more power-driven rotors on substantially vertical axes. Some States use the term "rotorcraft" as an alternative to "helicopter".

Helideck.

A heliport located on a floating or fixed offshore structure.

Heliport.

An aerodrome or a defined area on a structure intended to be used wholly or in part for the arrival, departure and surface movement of helicopters.

Throughout this Part, when the term "heliport" is used, it is intended that the term also applies to aerodromes primarily meant for the use of aeroplanes.

Helicopters may be operated to and from areas other than heliports.

Heliport operating minima.

The limits of usability of a heliport for:

- a) Take-off, expressed in terms of runway visual range and/or visibility and, if necessary, cloud conditions;
- b) Landing in 2D instrument approach operations, expressed in terms of visibility and/or runway visual range, minimum descent altitude/height (MDA/H) and, if necessary, cloud conditions; and

- c) Landing in 3D instrument approach operations, expressed in terms of visibility and/or runway visual range and decision altitude/height (DA/H) as appropriate to the type and/or category of the operation.

Hostile environment.

An environment in which:

- a) A safe forced landing cannot be accomplished because the surface and surrounding environment are inadequate; or
- b) The helicopter occupants cannot be adequately protected from the elements; or
- c) Search and rescue response/capability is not provided consistent with anticipated exposure; or
- d) There is an unacceptable risk of endangering persons or property on the ground.

Human Factors principles.

Principles which apply to aeronautical design, certification, training, operations and maintenance and which seek safe interface between the human and other system components by proper consideration to human performance.

Human performance.

Human capabilities and limitations which have an impact on the safety and efficiency of aeronautical operations.

Instrument approach operations.

An approach and landing using instruments for navigation guidance based on an instrument approach procedure. There are two methods for executing instrument approach operations:

- a) A two-dimensional (2D) instrument approach operation, using lateral navigation guidance only; and
- b) A three-dimensional (3D) instrument approach operation, using both lateral and vertical navigation guidance.

Lateral and vertical navigation guidance refers to the guidance provided either by:

- a) A ground-based radio navigation aid; or
- b) computer-generated navigation data from ground-based, space-based, self-contained navigation aids or a combination of these.

Instrument approach procedure (IAP).

A series of predetermined manoeuvres by reference to flight instruments with specified protection from obstacles from the initial approach fix, or where applicable, from the beginning of a defined arrival route to a point from which a landing can be completed and thereafter, if a landing is not completed, to a position at which holding or en-route obstacle clearance criteria apply. Instrument approach procedures are classified as follows:

Non-precision approach (NPA) procedure.

An instrument approach procedure designed for 2D instrument approach operations Type A.

Non-precision approach procedures may be flown using a continuous descent final approach (CDFA) technique. CDFAs with advisory VNAV guidance calculated by on-board equipment are considered 3D instrument approach operations. CDFAs with manual calculation of the required rate of descent are considered 2D instrument approach operations. For more information on CDFAs, refer to PANS-OPS (Doc 8168), Volume I, Part II, Section 5.

Approach procedure with vertical guidance (APV).

A performance-based navigation (PBN) instrument approach procedure designed for 3D instrument approach operations Type A.

Precision approach (PA) procedure.

An instrument approach procedure based on navigation systems (ILS, MLS, GLS and SBAS CAT I) designed for 3D instrument approach operations Type A or B.

Instrument meteorological conditions (IMC). Meteorological conditions expressed in terms of visibility, distance from cloud, and ceiling*, less than the minima specified for visual meteorological conditions.

Integrated survival suit.

A survival suit which meets the combined requirements of the survival suit and life jacket.

Landing decision point (LDP).

The point used in determining landing performance from which, an engine failure occurring at this point, the landing may be safely continued or a balked landing initiated.

LDP applies only to helicopters operating in performance Class 1.

Low-visibility operations (LVO). Approach operations in RVRs less than 550 m and/or with a DH less than 60 m (200 ft) or take-off operations in RVRs less than 400 m.

Maintenance.

The performance of tasks on an aircraft, engine, propeller or associated part required to ensure the continuing airworthiness of an aircraft, engine, propeller or associated part including any one or combination of overhaul, inspection, replacement, defect rectification, and the embodiment of a modification or repair.

Maintenance organization's procedures manual.

A document endorsed by the head of the maintenance organization which details the maintenance organization's structure and management responsibilities, scope of work, description of facilities, maintenance procedures and quality assurance or inspection systems.

Maintenance programme.

A document which describes the specific scheduled maintenance tasks and their frequency of completion and related procedures, such as a reliability programme, necessary for the safe operation of those aircraft to which it applies.

Maintenance release.

A document which contains a certification confirming that the maintenance work to which it relates has been completed in a satisfactory manner, in accordance with appropriate airworthiness requirements.

Master minimum equipment list (MMEL).

A list established for a particular aircraft type by the organization responsible for the type design with the approval of the State of Design containing items, one or more of which is permitted to be unserviceable at the commencement of a flight. The MMEL may be associated with special operating conditions, limitations or procedures.

Maximum mass.

Maximum certificated take-off mass.

Minimum descent altitude (MDA) or minimum descent height (MDH).

A specified altitude or height in a 2D instrument approach operation or circling approach operation below which descent must not be made without the required visual reference.

Minimum descent altitude (MDA)

is referenced to mean sea level and minimum descent height (MDH) is referenced to the aerodrome elevation or to the threshold elevation if that is more than 2 m (7 ft) below the aerodrome elevation. A minimum descent height for a circling approach is referenced to the aerodrome elevation.

The required visual reference means that section of the visual aids or of the approach area which should have been in view for sufficient time for the pilot to have made an assessment of the aircraft position and rate of change of position, in relation to the desired flight path. In the case of a circling approach the required visual reference is the runway environment.

For convenience when both expressions are used they may be written in the form “minimum descent altitude/ height” and abbreviated “MDA/H”.

Minimum equipment list (MEL). A list which provides for the operation of aircraft, subject to specified conditions, with particular equipment inoperative, prepared by an operator in conformity with, or more restrictive than, the MMEL established for the aircraft type

Modification.

A change to the type design of an aircraft, engine or propeller. A modification may also include the embodiment of the modification which is a maintenance task subject to a maintenance release. Further guidance on aircraft maintenance – modification and repair is contained in the Airworthiness Manual (Doc 9760).

Navigation specification.

A set of aircraft and flight crew requirements needed to support performance-based navigation operations within a defined airspace. There are two kinds of navigation specifications:

Required navigation performance (RNP) specification.

A navigation specification based on area navigation that includes the requirement for performance monitoring and alerting, designated by the prefix RNP, e.g. RNP 4, RNP APCH.

Area navigation (RNAV) specification.

A navigation specification based on area navigation that does not include the requirement for performance monitoring and alerting, designated by the prefix RNAV, e.g. RNAV 5, RNAV 1.

The Performance-based Navigation (PBN) Manual (Doc 9613), Volume II, contains detailed guidance on navigation specifications.

The term RNP, previously defined as “a statement of the navigation performance necessary for operation within a defined airspace”, has been removed from the ICAO Annex as the concept of RNP has been overtaken by the concept of PBN. The term RNP in the ICAO Annex is now solely used in the context of navigation specifications that require performance monitoring and alerting, e.g. RNP 4 refers to the aircraft and operating requirements, including a 4 NM lateral performance with on-board performance monitoring and alerting that are detailed in Doc 9613.

Night.

The hours between the end of evening civil twilight and the beginning of morning civil twilight or such other period between sunset and sunrise, as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority.

Civil twilight ends in the evening when the centre of the sun's disc is 6 degrees below the horizon and begins in the morning when the centre of the sun's disc is 6 degrees below the horizon.

Non-congested hostile environment. A hostile environment outside a congested area.

Non-hostile environment.

An environment in which:

- a) A safe forced landing can be accomplished because the surface and surrounding environment are adequate;
- b) The helicopter occupants can be adequately protected from the elements;
- c) Search and rescue response/capability is provided consistent with anticipated exposure; and
- d) The assessed risk of endangering persons or property on the ground is acceptable.

Those parts of a congested area satisfying the above requirements are considered non-hostile.

Obstacle clearance altitude (OCA) or obstacle clearance height (OCH).

The lowest altitude or the lowest height above the elevation of the relevant runway threshold or the aerodrome elevation as applicable, used in establishing compliance with appropriate obstacle clearance criteria.

Obstacle clearance altitude is referenced to mean sea level and obstacle clearance height is referenced to the threshold elevation or in the case of non-precision approach procedures to the aerodrome elevation or the threshold elevation if that is more than 2 m (7 ft) below the aerodrome elevation. An obstacle clearance height for a circling approach procedure is referenced to the aerodrome elevation.

For convenience when both expressions are used they may be written in the form "obstacle clearance altitude/height" and abbreviated "OCA/H".

Offshore operations.

Operations which routinely have a substantial proportion of the flight conducted over sea areas to or from offshore locations. Such operations include, but are not limited to, support of offshore oil, gas and mineral exploitation and sea-pilot transfer.

Operation.

An activity or group of activities which are subject to the same or similar hazards and which require a set of equipment to be specified, or the achievement and maintenance of a set of pilot competencies, to eliminate or mitigate the risk of such hazards.

Such activities could include, but would not be limited to, offshore operations, heli-hoist operations or emergency medical service.

Operational control.

The exercise of authority over the initiation, continuation, diversion or termination of a flight in the interest of the safety of the aircraft and the regularity and efficiency of the flight.

Operational credit.

A credit authorized for operations with an advanced aircraft enabling a lower aerodrome operating minimum than would normally be authorized for a basic aircraft, based upon the performance of advanced aircraft systems utilizing the available external infrastructure.

Operational flight plan.

The operator's plan for the safe conduct of the flight based on considerations of helicopter performance, other operating limitations and relevant expected conditions on the route to be followed and at the heliports concerned.

Operations in performance Class 1.

Operations with performance such that, in the event of a critical engine failure, performance is available to enable the helicopter to safely continue the flight to an appropriate landing area, unless the failure occurs prior to reaching the take-off decision point (TDP) or after passing the landing decision point (LDP), in which cases the helicopter must be able to land within the rejected take-off or landing area.

Operations in performance Class 2.

Operations with performance such that, in the event of critical engine failure, performance is available to enable the helicopter to safely continue the flight to an appropriate landing area, except when the failure occurs early during the take-off manoeuvre or late in the landing manoeuvre, in which cases a forced landing may be required.

Operations in performance Class 3.

Operations with performance such that, in the event of an engine failure at any time during the flight, a forced landing will be required.

Operations manual.

A manual containing procedures, instructions and guidance for use by operational personnel in the execution of their duties.

Operations specifications.

The authorizations including specific approvals, conditions and limitations associated with the air operator certificate and subject to the conditions in the operations manual.

Operator.

The person, organization or enterprise engaged in or offering to engage in an aircraft operation.

Operator's maintenance control manual.

A document which describes the operator's procedures necessary to ensure that all scheduled and unscheduled maintenance is performed on the operator's aircraft on time and in a controlled and satisfactory manner.

Performance-based aerodrome operating minimum (PBAOM).

A lower aerodrome operating minimum, for a given take-off, approach or landing operation, than is available when using a basic aircraft.

The PBAOM is derived by considering the combined capabilities of the aircraft and available ground facilities. Additional guidance material on PBAOM may be found in the Manual of All-Weather Operations (Doc 9365).

PBAOM may be based on operational credits.

PBAOM are not limited to PBN operations.

Performance-based communication (PBC).

Communication based on performance specifications applied to the provision of air traffic services.

An RCP specification includes communication performance requirements that are allocated to system components in terms of the communication to be provided and associated transaction time, continuity, availability, integrity, safety and functionality needed for the proposed operation in the context of a particular airspace concept.

Performance-based navigation (PBN).

Area navigation based on performance requirements for aircraft operating along an ATS route, on an instrument approach procedure or in a designated airspace.

Performance requirements are expressed in navigation specifications (RNAV specification, RNP specification) in terms of accuracy, integrity, continuity, availability and functionality needed for the proposed operation in the context of a particular airspace concept.

Performance-based surveillance (PBS).

Surveillance based on performance specifications applied to the provision of air traffic services.

An RSP specification includes surveillance performance requirements that are allocated to system components in terms of the surveillance to be provided and associated data delivery time, continuity, availability, integrity, accuracy of the surveillance data, safety and functionality needed for the proposed operation in the context of a particular airspace concept.

Pilot-in-command.

The pilot designated by the AOC holder, or in the case of general aviation, the owner, as being in command and charged with the safe conduct of a flight.

Point of no return.

The last possible geographic point at which an aircraft can proceed to the destination aerodrome as well as to an available en-route alternate aerodrome for a given flight.

Psychoactive substances.

Alcohol, opioids, cannabinoids, sedatives and hypnotics, cocaine, other psychostimulants, hallucinogens, and volatile solvents, whereas coffee and tobacco are excluded.

Repair.

The restoration of an aircraft, engine or associated part to an airworthy condition in accordance with the appropriate airworthiness requirements after it has been damaged or subjected to wear.

Required communication performance (RCP) specification.

A set of requirements for air traffic service provision and associated ground equipment, aircraft capability, and operations needed to support performance-based communication.

Required surveillance performance (RSP) specification.

A set of requirements for air traffic service provision and associated ground equipment, aircraft capability, and operations needed to support performance-based surveillance.

Rest period. A continuous and defined period of time, subsequent to and/or prior to duty, during which flight or cabin crew members are free of all duties.

Runway visual range (RVR).

The range over which the pilot of an aircraft on the centre line of a runway can see the runway surface markings or the lights delineating the runway or identifying its centre line.

Safe forced landing.

Unavoidable landing or ditching with a reasonable expectancy of no injuries to persons in the aircraft or on the surface.

Safety management system (SMS).

A systematic approach to managing safety, including the necessary organizational structures, accountability, responsibilities, policies and procedures.

Series of flights.

Series of flights are consecutive flights that:

- a) Begin and end within a period of 24 hours; and
- b) Are all conducted by the same pilot-in-command.

Specific approval.

A specific approval is an approval which is documented in the operations specifications for commercial air transport operations or in the list of specific approvals for non-commercial operations

State of Registry.

The State on whose register the aircraft is entered.

In the case of the registration of aircraft of an international operating agency on other than a national basis, the States constituting the agency are jointly and severally bound to assume the obligations which, under the Chicago Convention, attach to a State of Registry. See, in this regard, the Council Resolution of 14 December 1967 on Nationality and Registration of Aircraft Operated by International Operating Agencies which can be found in Policy and Guidance Material on the Economic Regulation of International Air Transport (Doc 9587).

State of the Aerodrome.

The State in whose territory the aerodrome is located.

State of the Aerodrome includes heliports and landing locations.

State of the Operator.

The State in which the operator's principal place of business is located or, if there is no such place of business, the operator's permanent residence.

State of the principal location of a general aviation operator.

The State in which the operator of a general aviation aircraft has its principal place of business or, if there is no such place of business, its permanent residence.

Guidance concerning the options for the principal location of a general aviation operator is contained in the Manual on the Implementation of Article 83 bis of the Convention on International Civil Aviation (Doc 10059).

Synthetic vision system (SVS).

A system to display data-derived synthetic images of the external scene from the perspective of the flight deck.

Take-off and initial climb phase.

That part of the flight from the start of take-off to 300 m (1 000 ft) above the elevation of the FATO, if the flight is planned to exceed this height, or to the end of the climb in the other cases.

Take-off decision point (TDP).

The point used in determining take-off performance from which, an engine failure occurring at this point, either a rejected take-off may be made or a take-off safely continued.

Note. — TDP applies only to helicopters operating in performance Class 1.

Visual meteorological conditions (VMC).

Meteorological conditions expressed in terms of visibility, distance from cloud, and ceiling,* equal to or better than specified minima.

VTOSS.

The minimum speed at which climb shall be achieved with the critical engine inoperative, the remaining engines operating within approved operating limits. The speed referred to above may be measured by instrument indications or achieved by a procedure specified in the flight manual.

CHAPTER 2.

APPLICABILITY

Requirements contained in this Implementing Standards (IS) 6-(III)-All is in compliance with Annex 6, Part III, and shall be applicable to all helicopters engaged in international commercial air transport operations or in domestic helicopter operations as applicable, except that these requirements are not applicable to helicopters engaged in aerial work.

SECTION II
INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORT

CHAPTER 1.

1. GENERAL

1.1 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES

- 1.1.1 The AOC Holder shall ensure that all employees when abroad know that they must comply with the laws, regulations and procedures of those States in which their operations are conducted.
- 1.1.2 The AOC Holder shall ensure that all pilots are familiar with the laws, regulations and procedures, pertinent to the performance of their duties, prescribed for the areas to be traversed, the heliports to be used and the air navigation facilities relating thereto. The AOC holder shall ensure that other members of the flight crew are familiar with such of these regulations and procedures as are pertinent to the performance of their respective duties in the operation of the helicopter.
- 1.1.3 The AOC Holder or a designated representative shall have responsibility for operational control.
- 1.1.4 Responsibility for operational control shall be delegated only to the pilot-in-command and to a flight operations officer/flight dispatcher if the AOC holder's approved method of control and supervision of flight operations requires the use of flight operations officer/flight dispatcher personnel.
- 1.1.5 If an emergency situation which endangers the safety of the helicopter or persons becomes known first to the flight operations officer/flight dispatcher, action by that person in accordance with 2.6.1 shall include, where necessary, notification to the appropriate authorities of the nature of the situation without delay, and requests for assistance if required.
- 1.1.6 If an emergency situation which endangers the safety of the helicopter or persons necessitates the taking of action which involves a violation of local regulations or procedures, the pilot-in-command shall notify the appropriate local authority without delay. If required by the State in which the incident occurs, the pilot-in-command shall submit a report on any such violation to the appropriate authority of such State; in that event, the pilot-in-command shall also submit a copy of it to the DGCA. Such reports shall be submitted as soon as possible and normally within ten days.
- 1.1.7 The AOC holder shall ensure that pilots-in-command have available on board the helicopter all the essential information concerning the search and rescue services in the area over which the helicopter will be flown.

This information may be made available to the pilot by means of the operations manual or such other means as is considered appropriate.

1.1.8 The AOC holder shall ensure that flight crew members demonstrate the ability to speak and understand the language used for radiotelephony communications as specified in IS 048

1.2 COMPLIANCE BY A FOREIGN AOC HOLDER WITH LAWS, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES OF DGCA

1.2.1 When DGCA identifies a case of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance by a foreign AOC holder with laws, regulations and procedures applicable within Sri Lanka, or a similar serious safety issue with the AOC holder, that DGCA shall immediately notify the AOC holder and, if the issue warrants it, the DGCA of that state. Where the DGCA and the State of Registry are different, such notification shall also be made to the State of Registry, if the issue falls within the responsibilities of that State and warrants a notification.

1.3 SAFETY MANAGEMENT

IS 070 includes safety management provisions for AOC holder s. Further guidance is contained in the State Safety Programme-SLCAP 2600.

1.3.1 The AOC Holder of a helicopter with certified take-off mass in excess of 7 000 kg or having a passenger seating configuration of more than 9 and fitted with a flight data recorder should establish and maintain a flight data analysis programme as part of its safety management system. Guidance on the establishment of flight data analysis programmes as per IS 063 and as included in the Manual on Flight Data Analysis Programmes (FDAP) (Doc 10000).

The AOC Holder may contract the operation of a flight data analysis programme to another party while retaining overall responsibility for the maintenance of such a programme.

1.3.2 A flight data analysis programme shall be non-punitive and contain adequate safeguards to protect the source(s) of the data.

Legal guidance for the protection of information from safety data collection and processing systems is contained in IS 070.

1.3.3 DGCA shall not allow the use of recordings or transcripts of CVR, CARS, Class A AIR and Class A AIRS for purposes other than the investigation of an accident or incident as per regulation 1742/19 dated 25-January-2012, except where the recordings or transcripts are:

- a) related to a safety-related event identified in the context of a safety management system; are restricted to the relevant portions of a de-identified transcript of the recording; and are subject to the protections accorded by IS 070.
- b) sought for use in criminal proceedings not related to an event involving an accident or incident investigation and are subject to the protections accorded by IS 070.

Provisions on the protection of safety data, safety information and related sources are contained in IS 070. When an investigation under regulation 1742/19 dated 25 January 2012 is instituted, investigation records are subject to the protections accorded by SLCAP 9999.

1.3.4 DGCA shall not allow the use of recordings or transcripts of FDR, ADRS, Class B and C AIR, and Class B and C AIRS for purposes other than the investigation of an accident or incident as per SLCAP 9999, except where the recordings or transcripts are subject to the protections accorded by IS 070 and are:

- a) used by the AOC holder for airworthiness or maintenance purposes;
- b) used by the AOC holder in the operation of a flight data analysis programme as provided in Section II of this IS ;
- c) sought for use in proceedings not related to an event involving an accident or incident investigation;
- d) de-identified; or
- e) disclosed under secure procedures.

Provisions on the protection of safety data, safety information and related sources are contained in IS 070.

1.3.5 The AOC holder shall establish a flight safety documents system, for the use and guidance of operational personnel, as part of its safety management system.

Guidance on the development and organization of a flight safety documents system is provided in Attachment D.

1.4 USE OF PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES

Provisions concerning the use of psychoactive substances are contained in IS 035

CHAPTER 2.

FLIGHT OPERATIONS

2.1 OPERATING FACILITIES

2.1.1 The AOC Holder shall ensure that a flight will not be commenced unless it has been ascertained by every reasonable means available that the ground and/or water facilities available and directly required on such flight, for the safe operation of the helicopter and the protection of the passengers, are adequate for the type of operation under which the flight is to be conducted and are adequately operated for this purpose.

“Reasonable means” in this IS, is intended to denote the use, at the point of departure, of information available to the AOC holder either through official information published by the aeronautical information services or readily obtainable from other sources.

2.1.2 The AOC Holder shall ensure that any inadequacy of facilities observed in the course of operations is reported to the authority responsible for them, without undue delay.

2.2 OPERATIONAL CERTIFICATION AND SUPERVISION

2.2.1 The air operator certificate

2.2.1.1 The AOC Holder shall not engage in commercial air transport operations unless in possession of a valid air operator certificate issued by the DGCA.

2.2.1.2 The air operator certificate shall authorize the AOC Holder to conduct commercial air transport operations in accordance with the operations specifications.

Provisions for the content of the air operator certificate and its associated operations specifications are contained in 2.2.1.5, 2.2.1.6 and SLCAP 4100

2.2.1.3 The issue of an air operator certificate by the DGCA shall be dependent upon the AOC Holder demonstrating an adequate organization, method of control and supervision of flight operations, training programme as well as ground handling and maintenance arrangements consistent with the nature and extent of the operations specified.

2.2.1.3.1 The AOC Holder shall develop policies and procedures for third parties that perform work on its behalf.

Guidance on the issue of an air operator certificate and is also contained in Air Operator Certification Manual SLCAP 410, and Foreign Air Operator Certification Manual SLCAP 4105.

2.2.1.4 The continued validity of an air operator certificate shall depend upon the AOC Holder maintaining the requirements of 2.2.1.3 under the supervision of the DGCA.

2.2.1.5 The air operator certificate shall contain at least the following information and shall follow the layout of Appendix 3, paragraph 2 of this IS:

- a) The State of the Operator and the issuing authority (DGCA);
- b) The air operator certificate number and its expiration date;
- c) The AOC Holder name, trading name (if different) and address of the principal place of business;
- d) The date of issue and the name, signature and title of the authority representative; and
- e) The location, in a controlled document carried on board, where the contact details of operational management can be found.

2.2.1.6 The operations specifications associated with the air operator certificate shall contain at least the information listed in Appendix 3, paragraph 3, of this IS and shall follow the layout of 3, paragraph 3.

Attachment E, paragraph 3.2.2, which forms part of this IS contains additional information that may be listed in the operations specifications associated with the air operator certificate.

2.2.1.7 Air operator certificates and their associated operations specifications first issued from 20 November 2008 shall follow the layouts of Appendix 3, paragraphs 2 and 3 of this IS.

2.2.1.8 The DGCA shall establish a system for both the certification and the continued surveillance of the AOC Holder.

2.2.2 Surveillance of operations by a foreign operator

2.2.2.1 DGCA shall recognize a valid air operator certificate issued by another Contracting State provided that the requirements under which the certificate was issued are at least equal to the applicable requirements specified in this IS and in IS 070 .

2.2.2.2 DGCA shall establish a programme with procedures for the surveillance of operations in their territory by a foreign operator and for taking appropriate action when necessary to preserve safety.

2.2.2.3 The AOC Holder shall meet and maintain the requirements established by the States in which the operations are conducted.

Guidance on the surveillance of operations by foreign operators may be found in SLCAP 4105.

2.2.3 Operations manual

2.2.3.1 The AOC Holder shall provide for the use and guidance of operations personnel concerned, an operations manual constructed using the guidance contained in SLCAP 4500 and Attachment G of this IS. The operations manual shall be amended or revised as is necessary to ensure that the information contained therein is kept up to date. All such amendments or revisions shall be notified to all personnel that are required to use this manual.

2.2.3.2 The DGCA shall establish a requirement for the AOC Holder to provide a copy of the operations manual together with all amendments and/or revisions, for review and acceptance and, where required, approval. The AOC Holder shall incorporate in the operations manual such mandatory material as the DGCA may require.

Guidance for the organization and contents of an operations manual is provided in Attachment G of this IS, and Preparation & Certification of Operations Manual SLCAP 4500

Specific items in an operations manual require the approval of the DGCA in accordance with the requirements in 2.2.8, 4.1.3, 7.3.1, 10.3 and 11.2.1.

2.2.4 Operating instructions — general

2.2.4.1 The AOC Holder shall ensure that all operations personnel are properly instructed in their particular duties and responsibilities and the relationship of such duties to the operation as a whole.

2.2.4.2 A helicopter rotor shall not be turned under power, for the purpose of flight, without a qualified pilot at the controls. The AOC Holder shall provide appropriately specific training and procedures to be followed for all personnel, other than qualified pilots, who are likely to carry out the turning of a rotor under power for purposes other than flight.

2.2.4.3 The AOC Holder should issue operating instructions and provide information on helicopter climb performance with all engines operating to enable the pilot-in-command to determine the climb gradient that can be achieved during the take-off and initial climb phase for the existing take-off conditions and intended take-off technique. This information should be based on the helicopter manufacturers or other data, acceptable to the DGCA, and should be included in the operations manual.

2.2.5 In-flight simulation of emergency situations

The AOC Holder shall ensure that when passengers or cargo are being carried, no emergency or abnormal situations shall be simulated.

2.2.6 Checklists

The checklists provided in accordance with 4.1.4 shall be used by flight crews prior to, during and after all phases of operations, and in emergency, to ensure compliance with the operating procedures contained in the aircraft operating manual, the helicopter flight manual or other documents associated with the certificate of airworthiness and otherwise in the operations manual. The design and utilization of checklists shall observe Human Factors principles.

Guidance material on the application of Human Factors principles can be found in the Human Factors Training Manual (Doc 9683).

2.2.7 Minimum flight altitudes (operations under IFR)

2.2.7.1 The AOC Holder shall be permitted to establish minimum flight altitudes for those routes flown for which minimum flight altitudes have been established by the State flown over or the responsible DGCA, provided that they shall not be less than those established by that State, unless specifically approved.

2.2.7.2 The AOC Holder shall specify the method by which it is intended to determine minimum flight altitudes for operations conducted over routes for which minimum flight altitudes have not been established by the State flown over, or the responsible DGCA, and shall include this method in the operations manual. The minimum flight altitudes determined in accordance with the above method shall not be lower than specified in IS 026.

2.2.7.3 The method for establishing the minimum flight altitudes should be approved by the DGCA.

2.2.7.4 The DGCA should approve such method only after careful consideration of the probable effects of the following factors on the safety of the operation in question:

- a) The accuracy and reliability with which the position of the helicopter can be determined;
- b) The inaccuracies in the indications of the altimeters used;
- c) The characteristics of the terrain (e.g. sudden changes in the elevation);
- d) The probability of encountering unfavourable meteorological conditions (e.g. severe turbulence and descending air currents);
- e) Possible inaccuracies in aeronautical charts; and
- f) Airspace restrictions.

2.2.8 Heliport or landing location operating minima

2.2.8.1 The DGCA shall require that the AOC Holder establish operating minima for each heliport or landing location to be used in operations and shall approve the method of determination of such minima. Such minima shall not be lower than any that may be established for such heliports or landing locations by the State of the Aerodrome, except when specifically approved by that State.

2.2.8.1.1 The DGCA shall authorize operational credit(s) for operations with advanced aircraft. Where the operational credit relates to low visibility operations, the DGCA shall issue a specific approval. Such authorizations shall not affect the classification of the instrument approach procedure.

Operational credit includes:

- a) For the purposes of an approach ban (2.4.1.2) or dispatch considerations, a minimum below the heliport or landing location operating minima;
- b) Reducing or satisfying the visibility requirements; or
- c) Requiring fewer ground facilities as compensated for by airborne capabilities.

Guidance on operational credit and how to express the operational credit in the operations specifications is contained in the SLCAP 4510.

Automatic landing system — helicopter is an automatic approach using airborne systems which provide automatic control of the flight path, to a point aligned with the landing surface, from which the pilot can transition to a safe landing by means of natural vision without the use of automatic control.

2.2.8.1.2 When issuing a specific approval for the operational credit, the DGCA shall ensure that the:

- a) aircraft meets the appropriate airworthiness certification requirements;
- b) information necessary to support effective crew tasks for the operation is appropriately available to both pilots where the number of flight crew members specified in the operations manual is more than one;

- c) The AOC Holder has carried out a safety risk assessment of the operations supported by the equipment;
- d) The AOC Holder has established and documented normal and abnormal procedures and MEL;
- e) The AOC Holder has established a training programme for the flight crew members and relevant personnel involved in the flight preparation;
- f) The AOC Holder has established a system for data collection, evaluation and trend monitoring for low visibility operations for which there is an operational credit; and
- g) The AOC Holder has instituted appropriate procedures in respect of continuing airworthiness (maintenance and repair) practices and programmes.

2.2.8.1.3 For operations with operational credit with minima above those related to low visibility operations, the DGCA shall establish criteria for the safe operation of the aircraft.

Guidance on operational credit for operations with minima above those related to low visibility operations is contained in the Manual of All-Weather Operations SLCAP 4510.

2.2.8.2 The DGCA shall require that in establishing the operating minima for each heliport or landing location which will apply to any particular operation, The AOC Holder shall take full account of:

- a) The type, performance and handling characteristics of the helicopter and any conditions or limitations stated in the flight manual;
- b) The composition of the flight crew, their competence and experience;
- c) The physical characteristics of the heliport, and direction of approach;
- d) The adequacy and performance of the available visual and non-visual ground aids;
- e) The equipment available on the helicopter for the purpose of navigation, acquisition of visual references and/or control of the flight path during the approach, landing and missed approach;
- f) The obstacles in the approach and missed approach areas and the obstacle clearance altitude/height for the instrument approach procedures;
- g) The means used to determine and report meteorological conditions;
- h) The obstacles in the climb-out areas and necessary clearance margins;
- i) The conditions prescribed in the operations specifications; and
- j) Any minima that may be promulgated by the State of the Aerodrome.

2.2.8.3 Instrument approach operations shall be classified based on the designed lowest operating minima below which an approach operation shall only be continued with the required visual reference as follows:

- a) Type A: a minimum descent height or decision height at or above 75 m (250 ft); and
- b) Type B: a decision height below 75 m (250 ft). Type B instrument approach operations are categorized as:
 - 1) Category I (CAT I): a decision height not lower than 60 m (200 ft) and with either a visibility not less than 800 m or a runway visual range not less than 550 m;
 - 2) Category II (CAT II): a decision height lower than 60 m (200 ft), but not lower than 30 m (100 ft) and a runway visual range not less than 300 m;
 - 3) Category III (CAT III): a decision height lower than 30 m (100 ft) or no decision height and a runway visual range not less than 300 m or no runway visual range limitations.;

Where decision height (DH) and runway visual range (RVR) fall into different categories of operation, the instrument approach operation would be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the most demanding category (e.g. an operation with a DH in the range of CAT IIIA but with an RVR in the range of CAT III would be considered a CAT III operation or an operation with a DH in the range of CAT II but with an RVR in the range of CAT I would be considered a CAT II operation). This does not apply if the RVR and/or DH has been approved as operational credits.

The required visual reference means that section of the visual aids or of the approach area which should have been in view for sufficient time for the pilot to have made an assessment of the aircraft position and rate of change of position, in relation to the desired flight path. In the case of a circling approach operation the required visual reference is the runway environment.

Guidance on approach classification as it relates to instrument approach operations, procedures, runways and navigation systems is contained in the Manual of All-Weather Operations (Doc 9365).

2.2.8.4 The DGCA shall issue a specific approval for instrument approach operations in low visibility which shall only be conducted when RVR information is provided.

Guidance on low visibility operations is contained in SLCAP 4510 and the Manual of All-Weather Operations.

2.2.8.5 For take-off in low visibility, the DGCA shall issue a specific approval for the minimum take-off RVR.

In general, visibility for take-off is defined in terms of RVR. An equivalent horizontal visibility may also be used.

2.2.8.6 For instrument approach operations, heliport or landing location operating minima below 800 m visibility should not be authorized unless RVR information or an accurate measurement or observation of visibility is provided. Guidance on the operationally desirable and currently attainable accuracy of measurement or observation is given in Annex 3, Attachment B.

2.2.8.7 The operating minima for 2D instrument approach operations using instrument approach procedures shall be determined by establishing a minimum descent altitude (MDA) or minimum descent height (MDH), minimum visibility and, if necessary, cloud conditions.

For guidance on applying a continuous descent final approach (CDFA) flight technique on non-precision approach procedures, refer to PANS-OPS (Doc 8168) Volume I, Part II, Section 5.

2.2.8.8 The operating minima for 3D instrument approach operations using instrument approach procedures shall be determined by establishing a decision altitude (DA) or decision height (DH) and the minimum visibility or RVR.

2.2.9 Fuel and oil records

2.2.9.1 The AOC Holder shall maintain fuel and oil records to enable the DGCA to ascertain that, for each flight, the requirements of 2.3.6 have been complied with.

2.2.9.2 Fuel and oil records shall be retained by the AOC Holder for a period of 15 months.

2.2.10 Crew

Pilot-in-command. For each flight, the operator shall designate one pilot to act as pilot-in-command.

2.2.11 Passengers

2.2.11.1 The AOC Holder shall ensure that passengers are made familiar with the location and use of:

- a) Seat belts or harnesses;
- b) Emergency exits;
- c) Life jackets, if the carriage of life jackets is prescribed;
- d) Oxygen dispensing equipment, if the provision of oxygen for the use of passengers is prescribed; and
- e) Other emergency equipment provided for individual use, including passenger emergency briefing cards.

2.2.11.2 The AOC Holder shall ensure that the passengers are informed of the location and general manner of use of the principal emergency equipment carried for collective use.

2.2.11.3 The AOC Holder shall ensure that in an emergency during flight, passengers are instructed in such emergency action as may be appropriate to the circumstances.

2.2.11.4 The AOC Holder shall ensure that, during take-off and landing and whenever considered necessary by reason of turbulence or any emergency occurring during flight, all passengers on board a helicopter shall be secured in their seats by means of the seat belts or harnesses provided.

2.2.12 Over-water flights

All helicopters on flights over water in a hostile environment in accordance with 4.5.1 shall be certificated for ditching. Sea state shall be an integral part of ditching information.

2.3 FLIGHT PREPARATION

2.3.1 A flight, or series of flights, shall not be commenced until flight preparation forms have been completed certifying that the pilot-in-command is satisfied that:

- a) The helicopter is airworthy;
- b) The instruments and equipment prescribed in Chapter 4, for the particular type of operation to be undertaken, are installed and are sufficient for the flight;
- c) A maintenance release as prescribed in 6.7 has been issued in respect of the helicopter;
- d) The mass of the helicopter and centre of gravity location are such that the flight can be conducted safely, taking into account the flight conditions expected;
- e) Any load carried is properly distributed and safely secured;
- f) A check has been completed indicating that the operating limitations of Chapter 3 can be complied with for the flight to be undertaken; and
- g) The Standards of 2.3.3 relating to operational flight planning have been complied with.

2.3.2 Completed flight preparation forms shall be kept by the AOC holder for a period of three months.

2.3.3 Operational flight planning

2.3.3.1 An operational flight plan shall be completed for every intended flight or series of flights, and approved by the pilot-in-command, and shall be lodged with the appropriate authority. The AOC Holder shall determine the most efficient means of lodging the operational flight plan.

2.3.3.2 The operations manual shall describe the content and use of the operational flight plan.

2.3.4 Alternate heliports

2.3.4.1 Take-off alternate heliport

2.3.4.1.1 A take-off alternate heliport shall be selected and specified in the operational flight plan if the weather conditions at the heliport of departure are at or below the applicable heliport operating minima.

2.3.4.1.2 For a heliport to be selected as a take-off alternate, the available information shall indicate that, at the estimated time of use, the conditions will be at or above the heliport operating minima for that operation.

2.3.4.2 Destination alternate heliport

2.3.4.2.1 For a flight to be conducted in accordance with IFR, at least one destination alternate shall be specified in the operational flight plan and the flight plan, unless:

- a) the duration of the flight and the meteorological conditions prevailing are such that there is reasonable certainty that, at the estimated time of arrival at the heliport of intended landing, and for a reasonable period before and after such time, the approach and landing may be made under visual meteorological conditions as prescribed by the DGCA; or
- b) The heliport of intended landing is isolated and no alternate is available. A point of no return (PNR) shall be determined.

2.3.4.2.2 For a heliport to be selected as a destination alternate, the available information shall indicate that, at the estimated time of use, the conditions will be at or above the heliport operating minima for that operation.

2.3.4.2.3 For a flight departing to a destination which is forecast to be below the heliport operating minima, two destination alternates should be selected. The first destination alternate should be at or above the heliport operating minima for destination and the second at or above the heliport operating minima for alternate.

2.3.4.3 Offshore destination alternate heliport

2.3.4.3.1 The DGCA shall issue a specific approval for the operational use of offshore destination alternate heliports.

2.3.4.3.2 A helideck may be specified as an offshore destination alternate heliport when the closest onshore destination alternate is not within achievable range of the helicopter. Specification is subject to the following conditions:

- a) a helideck shall only be used as an offshore destination alternate heliport after the PNR and when an onshore aerodrome is not geographically available. Prior to the PNR, an onshore destination alternate aerodrome shall be used;
- b) The AOC holder shall have a risk assessment process detailed in the operations manual /Safety manual for the utilization of helidecks as offshore destination alternate heliports and conduct such an assessment prior to their selection and use;
- c) The AOC holder has established specific procedures and appropriate training programmes in the operations manual for offshore destination alternate heliport operations;
- d) The AOC Holder shall have pre-surveyed, and assessed for suitability, any helideck intended to be used as an offshore destination alternate heliport and with the information published in an appropriate form in the operations manual (including the orientation of the helideck);
- e) the helicopter shall have a one engine inoperative (OEI) landing capability at the offshore alternate heliport; and
- f) the MEL shall contain specific provisions for this type of operation.

2.3.4.3.3 The use of an offshore alternate heliport should be restricted to helicopters which can achieve OEI in ground effect (IGE) hover at an appropriate power rating at the offshore alternate heliport.

- 2.3.4.3.4 Where the surface of the helideck, or prevailing conditions (especially wind velocity), precludes an OEI IGE, OEI out of ground effect (OGE) hover performance at an appropriate power rating should be used to compute the landing mass.
- 2.3.4.3.5 The landing mass should be calculated from graphs provided in the operations manual. When calculating this landing mass, due account should be taken of helicopter configuration, environmental conditions and the operation of systems that have an adverse effect on performance.
- 2.3.4.3.6 The planned landing mass of the helicopter, including crew, passengers, baggage, cargo and 30 minutes final reserve fuel, should not exceed the OEI landing mass at the time of approach to the offshore alternate heliport.
- 2.3.4.3.7 The AOC Holder's risk assessment process shall take into consideration at least the following:
- a) the type and circumstances of the operation;
 - b) the area over which the operation is being conducted, including sea conditions, survivability and search and rescue facilities;
 - c) the availability and suitability of the helideck for use as an offshore destination alternate heliport including the physical characteristics, dimensions, configuration and obstacle clearance, the effect of wind direction, strength and turbulence;
 - d) the type of helicopter(s) being used;
 - e) mechanical reliability of the helicopter engines and critical control systems and components;
 - f) the training and operational procedures, including mitigation of the consequences of helicopter technical failures;
 - g) specific mitigation measures;
 - h) helicopter equipment;
 - i) spare payload capacity for the carriage of additional fuel;
 - j) weather minima, taking into account the accuracy and reliability of meteorological information; and
 - k) communications and aircraft tracking facilities.

The landing technique specified in the flight manual following control system failure may preclude the nomination of certain helidecks as alternate heliports.

Specific mitigation measures may include equipment improvements such as a sea state certification standard, safety equipment and tracking equipment.

2.3.4.3.8 Training programmes should ensure that the requirements of Chapter 7, 7.4.2.2 are complied with, such as, but not limited to, route qualification, flight preparation, concept of operations with offshore alternates and criteria for their use. Training programme refers to the training for pilots and other relevant personnel (including as required meteorological observers and helideck personnel) involved in such operations.

2.3.4.3.9 When the use of an offshore alternate heliport is planned, the meteorological observations, both at the offshore destination and the offshore alternate heliport, should be taken by an observer acceptable to the designated meteorological authority.

Appropriate automatic weather stations may satisfy this requirement.

2.3.4.3.10 Offshore alternates should not be used for payload enhancement.

2.3.4.3.11 To demonstrate the mechanical reliability of critical control systems and critical components of the helicopter, the AOC holder should install and utilize a health and usage monitoring system with tailored criteria for this type of operation.

2.3.4.3.12 The heliport operating minima for the offshore destination and offshore destination alternate heliport required under 2.2.8.2 shall make due allowance for the availability and reliability of weather information and the geographic environment.

2.3.4.3.13 The AOC holder shall specify cloud ceiling and visibility criteria relevant to the helideck elevation and location.

2.3.4.3.14 To use an offshore destination alternate helideck, it shall be ensured that, within 60 NM of the destination helideck and alternate helideck, fog is not present nor forecasted during the period commencing one hour before and ending one hour after the expected time of arrival at the offshore destination or alternate helideck.

2.3.4.3.15 An offshore alternate should be more than 30 NM from the original destination to reduce the likelihood of a localized weather event precluding landings at both the destination and the alternate.

2.3.4.3.16 The AOC Holder shall ensure that, before passing the PNR, the following actions have been completed:

- a) confirmation that navigation to the destination and offshore alternate heliport is assured;
- b) radio contact with the destination and offshore alternate heliport (or master station) is established;
- c) the landing forecast at the destination and offshore alternate heliport are obtained and confirmed to be at or above the required minima;
- d) the requirements for OEI landing are verified against the latest reported weather conditions to ensure that they can be met; and
- e) to the extent possible, having considered information on current and forecast use of the offshore destination alternate heliport, and on conditions prevailing, the availability of the offshore

alternate heliport will be guaranteed by the helideck provider until the landing at the destination, or the offshore destination alternate heliport, is achieved.

2.3.5 Meteorological conditions

2.3.5.1 A flight to be conducted in accordance with VFR shall not be commenced unless current meteorological reports or a combination of current reports and forecasts indicate that the meteorological conditions along the route or that part of the route to be flown or in the intended area of operations under VFR will, at the appropriate time, be such as to enable compliance with these rules.

When a flight is conducted in accordance with VFR, the use of night vision imaging systems (NVIS) or other vision enhancing systems does not diminish the requirement to comply with the provisions of 2.3.5.1.

2.3.5.2 A flight to be conducted in accordance with IFR shall not be commenced unless information is available which indicates that conditions at the destination heliport or landing location or, when an alternate is required, at least one alternate heliport will, at the estimated time of arrival, be at or above the heliport operating minima.

2.3.5.3 To ensure that an adequate margin of safety is observed in determining whether or not an approach and landing can be safely carried out at each alternate heliport or landing location, the AOC Holder shall specify appropriate incremental values for height of cloud base and visibility, acceptable to the DGCA, to be added to the AOC Holder's established heliport or landing location operating minima.

Guidance on the selection of these incremental values is contained in the IS 026

2.3.5.4 A flight to be operated in known or expected icing conditions shall not be commenced unless the helicopter is certificated and equipped to cope with such conditions.

2.3.5.5 A flight to be planned or expected to operate in suspected or known ground icing conditions shall not be commenced unless the helicopter has been inspected for icing and, if necessary, has been given appropriate de-icing/anti-icing treatment. Accumulation of ice or other naturally occurring contaminants shall be removed so that the helicopter is kept in an airworthy condition prior to take-off.

Guidance material is given in the Manual of Aircraft Ground De-icing/Anti-icing Operations (Doc 9640).

2.3.6 Fuel and oil requirements

2.3.6.1 All helicopters. A flight shall not be commenced unless, taking into account both the meteorological conditions and any delays that are expected in flight, the helicopter carries sufficient fuel and oil to ensure that it can safely complete the flight. In addition, a reserve shall be carried to provide for contingencies.

2.3.6.2 VFR operations. The fuel and oil carried in order to comply with 2.3.6.1 shall, in the case of VFR operations, be at least the amount to allow the helicopter to:

- a) Fly to the landing site to which the flight is planned;

- b) Have final reserve fuel to fly thereafter for a period of 20 minutes at best-range speed; and
- c) Have an additional amount of fuel to provide for the increased consumption on the occurrence of any of the potential contingencies specified by the AOC Holder to the satisfaction of the DGCA.

2.3.6.3 IFR operations. The fuel and oil carried in order to comply with 2.3.6.1 shall, in the case of IFR operations, be at least the amount to allow the helicopter:

2.3.6.3.1 When an alternate is not required, in terms of 2.3.4.2.1 a), to fly to and execute an approach at the heliport or landing location to which the flight is planned, and thereafter to have:

- a) Final reserve fuel to fly 30 minutes at holding speed at 450 m (1 500 ft) above the destination heliport or landing location under standard temperature conditions and approach and land; and
- b) An additional amount of fuel to provide for the increased consumption on the occurrence of any of the potential contingencies specified by the AOC Holder to the satisfaction of the DGCA.

2.3.6.3.2 When an alternate is required, to fly to and execute an approach, and a missed approach, at the heliport or landing location to which the flight is planned, and thereafter:

- a) Fly to and execute an approach at the alternate specified in the flight plan; and then
- b) Have final reserve fuel to fly for 30 minutes at holding speed at 450 m (1 500 ft) above the alternate under standard temperature conditions, and approach and land; and
- c) Have an additional amount of fuel to provide for the increased consumption on the occurrence of any of the potential contingencies specified by the AOC Holder to the satisfaction of the DGCA.

2.3.6.3.3 When no alternate heliport or landing location is available, in terms of 2.3.4.2.1 (e.g. the destination is isolated), sufficient fuel shall be carried to enable the helicopter to fly to the destination to which the flight is planned and thereafter for a period that will, based on geographic and environmental considerations, enable a safe landing to be made.

2.3.6.4 In computing the fuel and oil required in 2.3.6.1, at least the following shall be considered:

- a) Meteorological conditions forecast;
- b) Expected air traffic control routings and traffic delays;
- c) For IFR flight, one instrument approach at the destination heliport, including a missed approach;
- d) The procedures prescribed in the operations manual for loss of pressurization, where applicable, or failure of one engine while en route; and
- e) Any other conditions that may delay the landing of the helicopter or increase fuel and/or oil consumption.

Nothing in 2.3.6 precludes amendment of a flight plan in flight in order to re plan the flight to another heliport, provided that the requirements of 2.3.6 can be complied with from the point where the flight has been re planned.

2.3.6.5 The use of fuel after flight commencement for purposes other than originally intended during pre-flight planning shall require a re-analysis and, if applicable, adjustment of the planned operation.

2.3.7 Refuelling with passengers on board or rotors turning

Except where otherwise stated, all helicopter refuelling provisions relate to operations using jet fuels. See 2.3.7.5 for restrictions specific to AVGAS/wide cut fuels.

2.3.7.1 A helicopter shall not be refuelled, rotors stopped or turning, when:

- a) Passengers are embarking or disembarking; or
- b) When oxygen is being replenished.

2.3.7.2 When the helicopter is refuelled with passengers on board, rotors stopped or turning, it shall be properly attended by sufficient qualified personnel, ready to initiate and direct an evacuation of the helicopter by the most practical, safe and expeditious means available. In order to achieve this:

- a) The flight crew shall ensure that the passengers are briefed on what actions to take if an incident occurs during refuelling;
- b) A constant two-way communication shall be maintained by the helicopter's inter-communication system or other suitable means between the ground crew supervising the refueling and the qualified personnel on board the helicopter; and
Caution needs to be exercised when using radios for this purpose due to the potential for stray currents and radio-induced voltages.
- c) During an emergency shutdown procedure, the flight crew shall ensure that any personnel or passengers outside the helicopter are clear of the rotor area.

2.3.7.3 The AOC Holder shall establish procedures and specify conditions under which such refueling may be carried out.

2.3.7.4 In addition to the requirements of 2.3.7.2, operational procedures should specify that at least the following precautions are taken:

- a) Doors on the refuelling side of the helicopter remain closed where possible, unless these are the only suitable exits;
- b) Doors on the non-refuelling side of the helicopter remain open, weather permitting, unless otherwise specified by the RFM;
- c) fire-fighting facilities of the appropriate scale be positioned so as to be immediately available in the event of a fire;

- d) If the presence of fuel vapour is detected inside the helicopter, or any other hazard arises during refueling, fuelling be stopped immediately;
- e) The ground or deck area beneath the exits intended for emergency evacuation be kept clear;
- f) Seat belts should be unfastened to facilitate rapid egress; and
- g) With rotors turning, only ongoing passengers should remain on board.

2.3.7.5 A helicopter shall not be refuelled with AVGAS (aviation gasoline) or wide-cut type fuel or a mixture of these types of fuel, when passengers are on board.

2.3.7.6 A helicopter shall not be defueled at any time when:

- a) Passengers remain on board; or
- b) Passengers are embarking or disembarking; or
- c) Oxygen is being replenished.

2.3.8 Oxygen supply

Approximate altitudes in the Standard Atmosphere corresponding to the values of absolute pressure used in the text are as follows:

Absolute pressure	Metres	Feet
700 hPa	3 000	10 000
620 hPa	4 000	13 000
376 hPa	7 600	25 000

2.3.8.1 A flight to be operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure in personnel compartments will be less than 700 hPa shall not be commenced unless sufficient stored breathing oxygen is carried to supply:

- a) All crew members and 10 per cent of the passengers for any period in excess of 30 minutes that the pressure in compartments occupied by them will be between 700 hPa and 620 hPa; and
- b) The crew and passengers for any period that the atmospheric pressure in compartments occupied by them will be less than 620 hPa.

2.3.8.2 A flight to be operated with a pressurized helicopter shall not be commenced unless a sufficient quantity of stored breathing oxygen is carried to supply all the crew members and passengers, as is appropriate to the circumstances of the flight being undertaken, in the event of loss of pressurization, for any period that the atmospheric pressure in any compartment occupied by them would be less than 700 hPa.

In addition, when the helicopter is operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure is more than 376 hPa and cannot descend safely to a flight altitude at which the atmospheric pressure is equal to 620 hPa within four minutes, there shall be no less than a 10-minute supply for the occupants of the passenger compartment.

2.4 IN-FLIGHT PROCEDURES

2.4.1 Helicopter operating minima

- 2.4.1.1 A flight shall not be continued towards the helicopter of intended landing, unless the latest available information indicates that at the expected time of arrival, a landing can be effected at that helicopter, or at least one destination alternate helicopter, in compliance with the operating minima established in accordance with 2.2.8.1.
- 2.4.1.2 An instrument approach shall not be continued below 300 m (1 000 ft) above the helicopter elevation or into the final approach segment unless the reported visibility or controlling RVR is at or above the helicopter operating minima.

Criteria for the final approach segment is contained in PANS-OPS (Doc 8168), Volume II.

- 2.4.1.3 If, after entering the final approach segment or after descending below 300 m (1 000 ft) above the helicopter elevation, the reported visibility or controlling RVR falls below the specified minimum, the approach may be continued to DA/H or MDA/H. In any case, a helicopter shall not continue its approach-to-land at any helicopter beyond a point at which the limits of the operating minima specified for that helicopter would be infringed.

2.4.2 Meteorological observations

The procedures for making meteorological observations on board aircraft in flight and for recording and reporting them are contained in IS 042

2.4.3 Hazardous flight conditions

Hazardous flight conditions encountered, other than those associated with meteorological conditions, shall be reported to the appropriate aeronautical station as soon as possible. The reports so rendered shall give such details as may be pertinent to the safety of other aircraft.

2.4.4 Flight crew members at duty stations

- 2.4.4.1 Take-off and landing. All flight crew members required to be on flight deck duty shall be at their stations.
- 2.4.4.2 En route. All flight crew members required to be on flight deck duty shall remain at their stations except when their absence is necessary for the performance of duties in connection with the operation of the helicopter or for physiological needs.
- 2.4.4.3 Seat belts. All flight crew members shall keep their seat belt fastened when at their stations.
- 2.4.4.4 Safety harness. Any flight crew member occupying a pilot's seat shall keep the safety harness fastened during the take-off and landing phases; all other flight crew members shall keep their safety harness fastened during the take-off and landing phases unless the shoulder straps interfere with the performance of their duties, in which case the shoulder straps may be unfastened but the seat belt must remain fastened.

Safety harness includes shoulder straps and a seat belt which may be used independently.

2.4.5 Use of oxygen

All flight crew members, when engaged in performing duties essential to the safe operation of a helicopter in flight, shall use breathing oxygen continuously whenever the circumstances prevail for which its supply has been required in 2.3.8.1 or 2.3.8.2.

2.4.6 Safeguarding of cabin crew and passengers in pressurized aircraft in the event of loss of pressurization

Cabin crew should be safeguarded so as to ensure reasonable probability of their retaining consciousness during any emergency descent which may be necessary in the event of loss of pressurization and, in addition, they should have such means of protection as will enable them to administer first aid to passengers during stabilized flight following the emergency. Passengers should be safeguarded by such devices or operational procedures as will ensure reasonable probability of their surviving the effects of hypoxia in the event of loss of pressurization.

It is not envisaged that cabin crew will always be able to provide assistance to passengers during emergency descent procedures which may be required in the event of loss of pressurization.

2.4.7 Instrument flight procedures

2.4.7.1 One or more instrument approach procedures to serve each final approach and take-off area or heliport utilized for instrument flight operations shall be approved and promulgated by the State in which the heliport is located, or by the State which is responsible for the heliport when located outside the territory of any State.

2.4.7.2 All helicopters operated in accordance with IFR shall comply with the instrument approach procedures approved by the DGCA in which the heliport is located, or by the State which is responsible for the heliport when located outside the territory of any State.

2.4.8 Helicopter operating procedures for noise abatement

The AOC holder should ensure that take-off and landing procedures take into account the need to minimize the effect of helicopter noise.

2.4.9 In-flight fuel management

2.4.9.1 The AOC holder shall establish policies and procedures, approved by the DGCA, to ensure that in-flight fuel checks and fuel management are performed.

2.4.9.2 The pilot-in-command shall monitor the amount of usable fuel remaining on board to ensure it is not less than the fuel required to proceed to a landing site where a safe landing can be made with the planned final reserve fuel remaining.

2.4.9.3 The pilot-in-command shall advise ATC of a minimum fuel state by declaring MINIMUM FUEL when, having committed to land at a specific landing site, the pilot calculates that any change to the existing clearance to that landing site, or other air traffic delays, may result in landing with less than the planned final reserve fuel.

The declaration of MINIMUM FUEL informs ATC that all planned landing site options have been reduced to a specific landing site of intended landing that no precautionary landing site is available, and any change to the existing clearance, or air traffic delays, may result in landing with less than the

planned final reserve fuel. This is not an emergency situation but an indication that an emergency situation is possible should any additional delay occur.

A precautionary landing site refers to a landing site, other than the site of intended landing, where it is expected that a safe landing can be made prior to the consumption of the planned final reserve fuel.

2.4.9.4 The pilot-in-command shall declare a situation of fuel emergency by broadcasting MAYDAY MAYDAY MAYDAY FUEL, when the usable fuel estimated to be available upon landing at the nearest landing site where a safe landing can be made is less than the required final reserve fuel in compliance with 2.3.6.

The planned final reserve fuel refers to the value calculated in 2.3.6 and is the minimum amount of fuel required upon landing at any landing site. The declaration of MAYDAY MAYDAY MAYDAY FUEL informs ATC that all available landing options have been reduced to a specific site and a portion of the final reserve fuel may be consumed prior to landing.

The pilot estimates with reasonable certainty that the fuel remaining upon landing at the nearest safe landing site will be less than the final reserve fuel taking into consideration the latest information available to the pilot, the area to be overflowed (i.e. with respect to the availability of precautionary landing areas), meteorological conditions and other reasonable contingencies.

The words “MAYDAY FUEL” describe the nature of the distress conditions as required in ICAO Annex 10, Volume II, 5.3.2.1.1, b) 3.

2.5 DUTIES OF PILOT-IN-COMMAND

2.5.1 The pilot-in-command shall be responsible for the operation and safety of the helicopter and for the safety of all crew members, passengers and cargo on board, from the moment the engine(s) are started until the helicopter finally comes to rest at the end of the flight, with the engine(s) shut down and the rotor blades stopped.

2.5.2 The pilot-in-command shall ensure that the checklists specified in 2.2.6 are complied with in detail.

2.5.3 The pilot-in-command shall be responsible for notifying the nearest appropriate authority by the quickest available means of any accident involving the helicopter, resulting in serious injury or death of any person or substantial damage to the helicopter or property.

A definition of the term “serious injury” is contained in SLCAP 9999

2.5.4 The pilot-in-command shall be responsible for reporting all known or suspected defects in the helicopter, to the AOC holder, at the termination of the flight.

2.5.5 The pilot-in-command shall be responsible for the journey log book or the general declaration containing the information listed in 9.4.1.

2.6 DUTIES OF FLIGHT OPERATIONS OFFICER/FLIGHT DISPATCHER

2.6.1 A flight operations officer/flight dispatcher in conjunction with a method of control and supervision of flight operations in accordance with 2.2.1.3 shall:

- a) Assist the pilot-in-command in flight preparation and provide the relevant information;

- b) Assist the pilot-in-command in preparing the operational and ATS flight plans, sign when applicable and file the ATS flight plan with the appropriate ATS unit; and
- c) Furnish the pilot-in-command while in flight, by appropriate means, with information which may be necessary for the safe conduct of the flight.

2.6.2 In the event of an emergency, a flight operations officer/flight dispatcher shall:

- a) initiate such procedures as outlined in the operations manual while avoiding taking any action that would conflict with ATC procedures; and
- b) Convey safety-related information to the pilot-in-command that may be necessary for the safe conduct of the flight, including information related to any amendments to the flight plan that become necessary in the course of the flight.

It is equally important that the pilot-in-command also convey similar information to the flight operations officer/flight dispatcher during the course of a flight, particularly in the context of emergency situations.

2.7 CARRY-ON BAGGAGE

The AOC holder shall ensure that all baggage carried onto a helicopter and taken into the passenger cabin is adequately and securely stowed.

2.8 FATIGUE MANAGEMENT

2.8.1 DGCA shall establish regulations for the purpose of managing fatigue. These regulations shall be based upon scientific principles, knowledge and operational experience with the aim of ensuring that flight and cabin crew members are performing at an adequate level of alertness. Accordingly DGCA had established:

- a) prescriptive regulations in IS 054 for flight time, flight duty period and duty period limitations and rest period requirements; and
- b) where authorizing an AOC holder to use a fatigue risk management system (FRMS), FRMS regulations in accordance with Appendix 7.

2.8. DGCA shall require that the AOC holder, in compliance with 2.8.1 and for the purposes of managing its fatigue-related safety risks, establish one of the following:

- a) flight time, flight duty period, duty period limitations and rest period requirements that are within the prescriptive fatigue management regulations established by the DGCA; or
- b) an FRMS in compliance with regulations established by DGCA for all operations; or
- c) an FRMS in compliance with regulations established by DGCA for a defined part of its operations with the remainder of its operations in compliance with the prescriptive fatigue management regulations established by the DGCA.

Complying with the prescriptive fatigue management regulations does not relieve the AOC holder of the responsibility to manage its risks, including fatigue-related risks, using its safety management system (SMS) in accordance with the provisions of IS 070.

2.8.3 The AOC holder shall maintain records of flight time, flight duty periods, duty periods and rest periods for all its flight and cabin crew members for a period of time specified by the DGCA as per IS 54.

2.8.4 Where the AOC holder complies with prescriptive fatigue management regulations in the provision of part or all of its services, the DGCA:

- a) shall require that the AOC holder familiarize those personnel involved in managing fatigue with their responsibilities and the principles of fatigue management;
- b) may approve, in exceptional circumstances, variations to these regulations on the basis of a risk assessment provided by the AOC holder. Approved variations shall provide a level of safety equivalent to, or better than that achieved through the prescriptive fatigue management regulations.

2.8.5 Where the AOC holder implements an FRMS to manage fatigue-related safety risks in the provision of part or all of its services, the DGCA shall:

- a) require the AOC holder to have processes to integrate FRMS functions with its other safety management functions;
- b) require that the AOC holder establish maximum values for flight times, flight duty periods and duty periods, and minimum values for rest periods; and
- c) approve the AOC holder's FRMS before it may take the place of any or all of the prescriptive fatigue management regulations. An approved FRMS shall provide a level of safety equivalent to, or better than, the prescriptive fatigue management regulations.

CHAPTER 3.

HELICOPTER PERFORMANCE OPERATING LIMITATIONS

3.1 GENERAL

3.1.1 Helicopters shall be operated in accordance with a code of performance established by the DGCA, in compliance with the applicable requirements of this IS.

The code of performance reflects, for the conduct of operations, both the various phases of flight and the operational environment. The Helicopter Code of Performance Development Manual (Doc 10110) provides guidance to assist States in establishing a code of performance.

3.1.2 In conditions where the safe continuation of flight is not ensured in the event of a critical engine failure, helicopter operations shall be conducted in conditions of weather and light, and over such routes and diversions that permit a safe forced landing to be executed.

3.1.3 Notwithstanding the provisions of 3.1.2, the DGCA may, based on the result of a risk assessment, allow for variations without a safe forced landing to be included in the Code of Performance established in accordance with the provisions of 3.1.1. The risk assessment shall take into consideration at least the following:

- a) the type and circumstances of the operation;
- b) the area/terrain over which the operation is being conducted;
- c) the probability of, and length of exposure to, a critical engine failure and the tolerability of such an event;
- d) the procedures and systems for monitoring and maintaining the reliability of the engine(s);
- e) the training and operational procedures to mitigate the consequences of the critical engine failure; and
- f) helicopter equipment.

Guidance on conduct of the risk assessment to allow for variations to the need for a safe forced landing, including mitigation strategies to reduce the risk, is contained in Doc 10110.

3.1.4 Where the DGCA permits IMC operations in performance Class 3, such operations shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of 3.4.

3.2 APPLICABLE TO HELICOPTERS CERTIFICATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH IS 084

3.2.1 The requirements contained in 3.2.2 to 3.2.7 inclusive are applicable to the helicopters certificated in accordance with IS 084.

- 3.2.2 The level of performance defined by the appropriate parts of the code of performance referred to in 3.1.1 for the helicopters designated in 3.2.1 shall be consistent with the overall level embodied in the requirements of this chapter.
- 3.2.3 A helicopter shall be operated in compliance with the terms of its certificate of airworthiness and within the approved operating limitations contained in its flight manual.
- 3.2.4 The DGCA shall take such precautions as are reasonably possible to ensure that the general level of safety contemplated by these provisions is maintained under all expected operating conditions, including those not covered specifically by the provisions of this chapter.
- 3.2.5 A flight shall not be commenced unless the performance information provided in the flight manual indicates that the Standards of 3.2.6 and 3.2.7 can be complied with for the flight to be undertaken.
- 3.2.6 In applying the Standards of this chapter, account shall be taken of all factors that significantly affect the performance of the helicopter (such as: mass, operating procedures, the pressure-altitude appropriate to the elevation of the operating site, temperature, wind and condition of the surface). Such factors shall be taken into account directly as operational parameters or indirectly by means of allowances or margins, which may be provided in the scheduling of performance data or in the code of performance in accordance with which the helicopter is being operated.

3.2.7 Mass limitations

- a) The mass of the helicopter at the start of take-off shall not exceed the mass at which the code of performance referred to in 3.1.1 is complied with, allowing for expected reductions in mass as the flight proceeds and for such fuel jettisoning as is appropriate.
- b) In no case shall the mass at the start of take-off exceed the maximum take-off mass specified in the helicopter flight manual taking into account the factors specified in 3.2.6.
- c) In no case shall the estimated mass for the expected time of landing at the destination and at any alternate exceed the maximum landing mass specified in the helicopter flight manual taking into account the factors specified in 3.2.6.
- d) In no case shall the mass at the start of take-off, or at the expected time of landing at the destination and at any alternate, exceed the relevant maximum mass at which compliance has been demonstrated with the applicable noise certification Standards in IS 81, unless otherwise authorized in exceptional circumstances for a certain operating site where there is no noise disturbance problem, by the competent authority of the State in which the operating site is situated.

3.2.7.1 Take-off and initial climb phase

- 3.2.7.1.1 Operations in performance Class 1.** The helicopter shall be able, in the event of the failure of the critical engine being recognized at or before the take-off decision point, to discontinue the take-off and stop within the rejected take-off area available or, in the event of the failure of the critical engine being recognized at or after the take-off decision point, to continue the

take-off, clearing all obstacles along the flight path by an adequate margin until the helicopter is in a position to comply with 3.2.7.3.1.

3.2.7.1.2 Operations in performance Class 2. The helicopter shall be able, in the event of the failure of the critical engine at any time after reaching DPATO, to continue the take-off, clearing all obstacles along the flight path by an adequate margin until the helicopter is in a position to comply with 3.2.7.3.1. Before the DPATO, failure of the critical engine may cause the helicopter to force-land; therefore the conditions stated in 3.1.2 shall apply.

3.2.7.1.3 Operations in performance Class 3. At any point of the flight path, failure of an engine will cause the helicopter to force-land; therefore the conditions stated in 3.1.2 shall apply.

3.2.7.2 En-route phase

3.2.7.2.1 Operations in performance Classes 1 and 2. The helicopter shall be able, in the event of the failure of the critical engine at any point in the en-route phase, to continue the flight to a site at which the conditions of 3.2.7.4.1 for operations in performance Class 1, or the conditions of 3.2.7.4.2 for operations in performance Class 2 can be met, without flying below the appropriate minimum flight altitude at any point.

When the en-route phase is conducted over a hostile environment and the diversion time to an alternate would exceed two hours, it is recommended that the DGCA assess the risks associated with a second engine failure.

3.2.7.2.2 Operations in performance Class 3. The helicopter shall be able, with all engines operating, to continue along its intended route or planned diversions without flying at any point below the appropriate minimum flight altitude. At any point of the flight path, failure of an engine will cause the helicopter to force-land; therefore the conditions stated in 3.1.2 shall apply.

3.2.7.3 Approach and landing phase

3.2.7.3.1 Operations in performance Class 1. In the event of the failure of the critical engine being recognized at any point during the approach and landing phase, before the landing decision point, the helicopter shall, at the destination and at any alternate, after clearing all obstacles in the approach path, be able to land and stop within the landing distance available or to perform a bailed landing and clear all obstacles in the flight path by an adequate margin equivalent to that specified in 3.2.7.1.1. In case of the failure occurring after the landing decision point, the helicopter shall be able to land and stop within the landing distance available

3.2.7.3.2. Operations in performance Class 2. In the event of the failure of the critical engine before the DPBL, the helicopter shall, at the destination and at any alternate, after clearing all obstacles in the approach path, be able either to land and stop within the landing distance available or to perform a bailed landing and clear all obstacles in the flight path by an adequate margin equivalent to that specified in 3.2.7.1.2. After the DPBL, failure of an engine may cause the helicopter to force-land; therefore, the conditions stated in 3.1.2 shall apply.

3.3 OBSTACLE DATA

The AOC holder shall use available obstacle data to develop procedures to comply with the take-off, initial climb, approach and landing phases detailed in the code of performance established by the DGCA.

3.4 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR OPERATIONS OF HELICOPTERS IN PERFORMANCE CLASS 3 IN IMC, EXCEPT SPECIAL VFR FLIGHTS

3.4.1 Operations in performance Class 3 in IMC shall be conducted only over a surface environment acceptable to the DGCA over which the operations are performed.

3.4.2 In approving operations by helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC, the DGCA shall ensure that the helicopter is certificated for flight under IFR and that the overall level of safety intended by the provisions of ICAO Annexes 6 and 8 is provided by:

- a) The reliability of the engines;
- b) The AOC holder's maintenance procedures, operating practices and crew training programmes; and
- c) Equipment and other requirements provided in accordance with Appendix 2 of this IS.

Guidance on additional requirements for operations of helicopters in performance Class 3 in IMC is contained in Appendix 2 of this IS.

3.4.3 The AOC holder of helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC shall have a programme for engine trend monitoring and shall utilize the engine and helicopter manufacturers' recommended instruments, systems and operational/ maintenance procedures to monitor the engines.

3.4.4 In order to minimize the occurrence of mechanical failures, helicopters operating in IMC in performance Class 3 should utilize vibration health monitoring for the tail-rotor drive system.

CHAPTER 4.

HELICOPTER INSTRUMENTS, EQUIPMENT, AND FLIGHT DOCUMENTS

Specifications for the provision of helicopter communication and navigation equipment are contained in Chapter 5.

4.1 GENERAL

4.1.1 In addition to the minimum equipment necessary for the issuance of a certificate of airworthiness, the instruments, equipment and flight documents prescribed in the following paragraphs shall be installed or carried, as appropriate, in helicopters according to the helicopter used and to the circumstances under which the flight is to be conducted. The prescribed instruments and equipment, including their installation, shall be approved or accepted by the DGCA.

4.1.2 A helicopter shall carry a certified true copy of the air operator certificate specified in 2.2.1, and a copy of the operations specifications relevant to the helicopter type, issued in conjunction with the certificate. When the certificate and the associated operations specifications are issued by the DGCA in a language other than English, an English translation shall be included.

Provisions for the content of the air operator certificate and its associated operations specifications are contained in 2.2.1.5 and 2.2.1.6. and SLCAP 4100 Air Operators Certification Manual.

4.1.3 The AOC holder shall include in the operations manual a minimum equipment list (MEL), approved by the DGCA which will enable the pilot-in-command to determine whether a flight may be commenced or continued from any intermediate stop should any instrument, equipment or systems become inoperative. The AOC holder shall follow the procedures contained in SLCAP 4215 “MMEL/MEL” Procedures Manual” when preparing the AOC holder’s Minimum Equipment List (MEL) for the approval of DGCA. . In respect of Helicopters that are not registered in Sri Lanka but operated in Sri Lanka the DGCA shall ensure that the MEL does not affect the helicopter’s compliance with the airworthiness requirements applicable.

Attachment B of this IS contains guidance on the minimum equipment list.

4.1.4 The AOC holder provide to operations staff and crew members an aircraft operating manual, for each aircraft type operated, containing the normal, abnormal and emergency procedures relating to the operation of the aircraft. The manual shall include details of the aircraft systems and of the checklists to be used. The design of the manual shall observe Human Factors principles. The manual shall be easily accessible to the flight crew during all flight operations.

4.1.5 Helicopter operated under an Article 83 bis agreement

Guidance concerning the transfer of responsibilities by the State of Registry to the DGCA in accordance with Article 83 bis is contained in the Manual on the Implementation of Article 83 bis of the Convention on IS 004.

4.1.5.1 A helicopter, when operating under an Article 83 bis agreement entered into between the State of Registry and the DGCA, shall carry a certified true copy of the agreement summary, in either

an electronic or hard copy format. When the summary is issued in a language other than English, an English translation shall be included.

4.1.5.2 The agreement summary of an Article 83 bis agreement shall be accessible to a civil aviation safety inspector in determining which functions and duties are transferred by the State of Registry to the DGCA under the agreement, when conducting surveillance activities such as ramp checks.

4.1.5.3 The agreement summary shall be transmitted to ICAO together with the Article 83 bis Agreement for registration with the ICAO Council by the State of Registry or the DGCA.

The agreement summary transmitted with the Article 83 bis agreement registered with the ICAO Council contains the list of all aircraft affected by the agreement. However, the certified true copy to be carried on board as per 4.1.5.1. will need to list only the specific aircraft carrying the copy.

4.1.5.4 The agreement summary should contain the information in Appendix 6 for the specific aircraft and should follow the layout of Appendix 7, paragraph 2.

4.2 ALL HELICOPTERS ON ALL FLIGHTS

4.2.1 A helicopter shall be equipped with instruments that will enable the flight crew to control the flight path of the helicopter, carry out any required procedural maneuvers and observe the operating limitations of the helicopter in the expected operating conditions.

4.2.2 A helicopter shall be equipped with:

- a) Accessible and adequate medical supplies;

Medical supplies should comprise:

- 1) A first-aid kit; and
- 2) For helicopters required to carry cabin crew as part of the operating crew, a universal precaution kit, for the use of cabin crew in managing incidents of ill health associated with a case of suspected communicable disease, or in the case of illness involving contact with body fluids.

Guidance on the contents of first-aid and universal precaution kits is given in Attachment C of this IS.

- b) Portable fire extinguishers of a type which, when discharged, will not cause dangerous contamination of the air within the helicopter. At least one shall be located in:
 - 1) The pilot's compartment; and
 - 2) Each passenger compartment that is separate from the pilot's compartment and that is not readily accessible to the flight crew.

Any portable fire extinguisher so fitted in accordance with the certificate of airworthiness of the helicopter may count as one prescribed.

Refer to 4.2.2.1 for fire extinguishing agents.

- c)
 - 1) A seat or berth for each person who is aged two years or more;
 - 2) A seat belt for each seat and restraining belts for each berth; and
 - 3) A safety supplementary loop belt (kangaroo belt) or other restrain device for each infant.
 - 4) A safety harness for each flight crew seat. The safety harness for each pilot seat shall incorporate a device which will automatically restrain the occupant's torso in the event of rapid deceleration;

When dual controls are fitted, the safety harness for each pilot seat should incorporate a restraining device to prevent the upper body of an incapacitated occupant from interfering with the flight controls.

Depending on the design, the lock on an inertia reel device may suffice for this purpose

Safety harness includes shoulder straps and a seat belt which may be used independently.

- d) means of ensuring that the following information and instructions are conveyed to passengers:
 - 1) when seat belts or harnesses are to be fastened;
 - 2) when and how oxygen equipment is to be used if the carriage of oxygen is required;
 - 3) Restrictions on smoking;
 - 4) Location and use of life jackets or equivalent individual flotation devices where their carriage is required; and
 - 5) Location and method of opening emergency exits; and
 - e) If fuses are used, spare electrical fuses of appropriate ratings for replacement of those accessible in flight.
- 4.2.2.1 Any agent used in a built-in fire extinguisher for each lavatory disposal receptacle for towels, paper or waste in a helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 31 December 2011 and any extinguishing agent used in a portable fire extinguisher in a helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 31 December 2018 shall:
- a) Meet the applicable minimum performance requirements of the DGCA and
 - b) Not be of a type listed in the 1987 Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer as it appears in the Eighth Edition of the Handbook for the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, Annex A, Group II.

4.2.3 A helicopter shall carry:

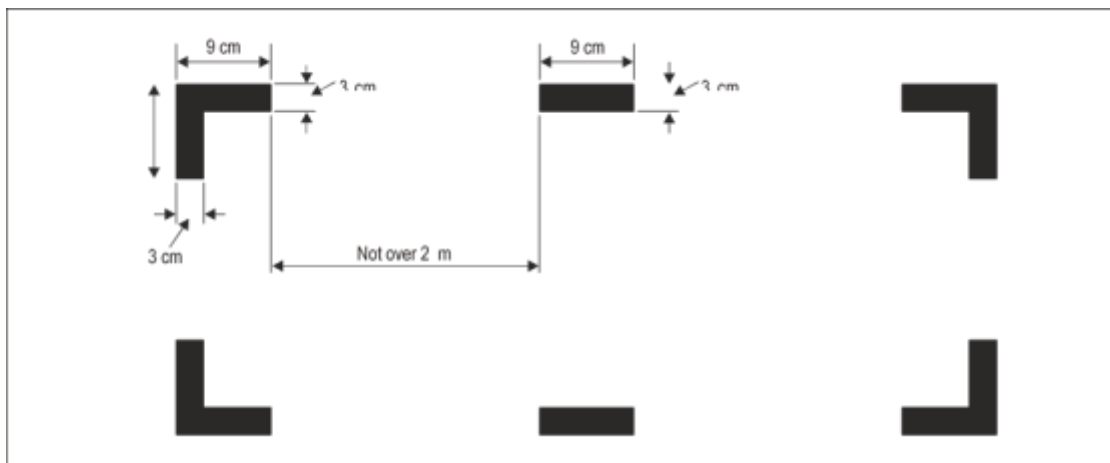
- a) The operations manual prescribed in 2.2.2, or those parts of it that pertain to flight operations;
- b) The helicopter flight manual for the helicopter, or other documents containing performance data required for the application of Chapter 3 and any other information necessary for the operation of the helicopter within the terms of its certificate of airworthiness, unless these data are available in the operations manual; and
- c) Current and suitable charts to cover the route of the proposed flight and any route along which it is reasonable to expect that the flight may be diverted.

4.2.4 Marking of break-in points

4.2.4.1 If areas of the fuselage suitable for break-in by rescue crews in an emergency are marked on a helicopter, such areas shall be marked as shown below (see figure following). The colour of the markings shall be red or yellow, and if necessary they shall be outlined in white to contrast with the background.

4.2.4.2 If the corner markings are more than 2 m apart, intermediate lines $9\text{ cm} \times 3\text{ cm}$ shall be inserted so that there is no more than 2 m between adjacent markings.

This Standard does not require any helicopter to have break-in areas.



MARKING OF BREAK-IN POINTS (see 4.2.4)

4.3 FLIGHT RECORDERS

Crash protected flight recorders comprise one or more of the following:

- a flight data recorder (FDR),
- a cockpit voice recorder (CVR),
- an airborne image recorder (AIR),
- a data link recorder (DLR).

As per Appendix 4 Image and data link information may be recorded on either the CVR or the FDR. Combination recorders (FDR/CVR) may be used to meet the flight recorder equipment requirements in this IS. Detailed requirements on flight recorders are contained in Appendix 4 of this IS.

Lightweight flight recorders comprise one or more of the following:

- an aircraft data recording system (ADRS),
- a cockpit audio recording system (CARS),
- an airborne image recording system (AIRS)
- a data link recording system (DLRS).

As per Appendix 4 Image and data link information may be recorded on either the CARS or the ADRS.

4.3.1 Flight data recorders and aircraft data recording systems

Parameters to be recorded are listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4 of this IS.

4.3.1.1 Applicability

- 4.3.1.1.1 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 3 175 kg for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 2016 shall be equipped with an FDR which shall record at least the first 48 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4.
- 4.3.1.1.2 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 7 000 kg, or having a passenger seating configuration of more than nineteen, for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1989 shall be equipped with an FDR which shall record at least the first 30 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4 Type IV FDR.
- 4.3.1.1.3 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 3 175 kg, up to and including 7 000 kg, for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1989, should be equipped with an FDR which should record at least the first 15 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4..
- 4.3.1.1.4 All turbine-engined helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 2 250 kg, up to and including 3 175 kg for which the application for type certification was submitted to a Contracting State on or after 1 January 2018 shall be equipped with:
- a) An FDR; which shall record at least the first 48 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4; or
 - b) A Class C AIR or AIRS which shall record at least the flight path and speed parameters displayed to the pilot(s) , as defined in Appendix 4, Table A4-3; or
 - c) An ADRS which shall record the first 7 parameters listed in Table A4-3 of Appendix 4. Of this IS
- 4.3.1.1.5 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of 3175 kg or less for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 2018 should be equipped with:
- a) an FDR; which should record at least the first 48 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4; or

- b) a Class C AIR or AIRS which should record at least the flight path and speed parameters displayed to the pilot(s) , as defined in Appendix 4, Table A4-3; or
- c) An ADRS which should record the first 7 parameters listed in Table A4-3 of Appendix 4. Of this IS

AIR or AIRS classification is defined in 4.1 of Appendix 4.

4.3.1.1.6 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 3 175 kg for which the application for type certificate is submitted to a Contracting State on or after 1 January 2023 shall be equipped with an FDR capable of recording at least the first 53 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4.

4.3.1.1.7 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 3 175 kg for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 2023 shall be equipped with an FDR capable of recording at least the first 53 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4.

4.3.1.2 Recording technology

FDRs, ADRS, AIRs or AIRS shall not use engraving metal foil, frequency modulation (FM), photographic film or magnetic tape

4.3.1.3 Duration

All FDRs shall retain the information recorded during at least the last 10 hours of their operation.

4.3.2 Cockpit voice recorders and cockpit audio recording systems

4.3.2.1 Applicability

4.3.2.1.1 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 7 000 kg shall be equipped with a CVR. For helicopters not equipped with an FDR, at least main rotor speed shall be recorded on the CVR.

4.3.2.1.2 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 3 175 kg for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1987 should be equipped with a CVR. For helicopters not equipped with an FDR, at least main rotor speed should be recorded on the CVR.

4.3.2.2 Recording technology

CVRs and CARS shall not use magnetic tape or wire.

4.3.2.3 Duration

All helicopters required to be equipped with a CVR shall be equipped with a CVR which shall capable of retain the information recorded during the last at least 2 hours of its operation.

4.3.3 Data link recorders

4.3.3.1 Applicability

4.3.3.1.1 All helicopters for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 2016, which utilize any of the data link communications applications referred to in 5.1.2 of Appendix 4 and are required to carry a CVR, shall record the data link communications messages on a crash-protected flight recorder

4.3.3.1.2 All helicopters for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was first issued before 1 January 2016, that are required to carry a CVR and are modified on or after 1 January 2016 to utilize use any of the data link communications applications referred to in 5.1.2 of Appendix 4 shall record the data link communications messages on a crash-protected flight recorder unless the installed data link communications equipment is compliant with a type design or aircraft modification first approved prior to 1 January 2016.

Refer to Table F-4 in Attachment F for examples of data link communication recording requirements.

A Class B AIR could be a means for recording data link communications applications messages to and from the helicopters where it is not practical or is prohibitively expensive to record those data link communications applications messages on FDR or CVR.

The “aircraft modifications” refer to modifications to install the data link communications equipment on the aircraft (e.g. structural, wiring).

4.3.3.1.3 All helicopters for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was first issued before 1 January 2016, that are required to carry a CVR and are modified on or after 1 January 2016 to use any of the data link communications applications referred to in 5.1.2 of Appendix 4 should record the data link communications messages on a crash-protected flight recorder

4.3.3.2 Duration

The minimum recording duration shall be equal to the duration of the CVR.

4.3.3.3 Correlation

Data link recording shall be able to be correlated to the recorded cockpit audio.

4.3.4 Flight recorders — general

4.3.4.1 Construction and installation

Flight recorders shall be constructed, located and installed so as to provide maximum practical protection for the recordings in order that the recorded information may be preserved, recovered and transcribed. Flight recorders shall meet the prescribed crashworthiness and fire protection specifications.

4.3.4.2 Operation

4.3.4.2.1 Flight recorders shall not be switched off during flight time.

4.3.4.2.2 To preserve flight recorder records, flight recorders shall be deactivated upon completion of flight time following an accident or incident. The flight recorders shall not be reactivated before their disposition as determined in accordance with ICAO Annex 13.

The need for removal of the flight recorder records from the aircraft will be determined by the investigation authority in the State conducting the investigation with due regard to the seriousness of an occurrence and the circumstances, including the impact on the operation.

The AOC holder's responsibilities regarding the retention of flight recorder records are contained in Section II, 9.6.

4.3.4.3 Continued serviceability

Operational checks and evaluations of recordings from the flight recorder systems shall be conducted to ensure the continued serviceability of the recorders.

Procedures for the inspections of the flight recorder systems are given in Appendix 4 of this IS.

4.3.4.4 Flight recorders electronic documentation

The documentation requirement concerning FDR parameters provided by AOC holders to accident investigation authorities should be in electronic format and take account of industry specifications.

4.4 INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT FOR FLIGHTS OPERATED UNDER VFR AND IFR — BY DAY AND NIGHT

The flight instruments requirements in 4.4.1, 4.4.2 and 4.4.3 may be met by combinations of instruments or by electronic displays.

4.4.1 All helicopters when operating in accordance with VFR by day shall be equipped with:

- a) A magnetic compass;
- b) An accurate timepiece indicating the time in hours, minutes and seconds;
- c) A sensitive pressure altimeter;
- d) An airspeed indicator; and
- e) Such additional instruments or equipment as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority.

4.4.2 All helicopters when operating in accordance with VFR at night shall be equipped with:

- a) The equipment specified in 4.4.1;
- b) An attitude indicator (artificial horizon) for each required pilot and one additional attitude indicator;
- c) A slip indicator;

- d) A heading indicator (directional gyroscope);
 - e) A rate of climb and descent indicator;
 - f) Such additional instruments or equipment as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority;
- and the following lights:
- g) The lights required by IS-026 for aircraft in flight or operating on the movement area of a heliport;

The general characteristics of lights are specified in IS-Part M.

- h) Two landing lights;
- i) Illumination for all instruments and equipment that are essential for the safe operation of the helicopter that are used by the flight crew;
- j) Lights in all passenger compartments; and
- k) A flashlight for each crew member station.

4.4.2.1 One of the landing lights should be trainable, at least in the vertical plane.

4.4.3 All helicopters when operating in accordance with IFR, or when the helicopter cannot be maintained in a desired attitude without reference to one or more flight instruments, shall be equipped with:

- a) A magnetic compass;
- b) An accurate timepiece indicating the time in hours, minutes and seconds;
- c) Two sensitive pressure altimeters;
- d) An airspeed indicating system with means of preventing malfunctioning due to either condensation or icing;
- e) A slip indicator;
- f) An attitude indicator (artificial horizon) for each required pilot and one additional attitude indicator;
- g) A heading indicator (directional gyroscope);
- h) A means of indicating whether the power supply to the gyroscope instrument is adequate;
- i) A means of indicating on the flight deck the outside air temperature;
- j) A rate of climb and descent indicator;

- k) A stabilization system, unless it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the certificating authority that the helicopter possesses, by nature of its design, adequate stability without such a system;
- l) Such additional instruments or equipment as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority; and
- m) If operated at night, the lights specified in 4.4.2 g) to k) and 4.4.2.1.

4.4.3.1 All helicopters when operating in accordance with IFR shall be fitted with an emergency power supply, independent of the main electrical generating system, for the purpose of operating and illuminating, for a minimum period of 30 minutes, an attitude indicating instrument (artificial horizon), clearly visible to the pilot-in-command. The emergency power supply shall be automatically operative after the total failure of the main electrical generating system and clear indication shall be given on the instrument panel that the attitude indicator(s) is being operated by emergency power.

4.4.4 A helicopter when operating in accordance with IFR and which has a maximum certificated take-off mass in excess of 3175 kg or a maximum passenger seating configuration of more than 9 should be equipped with a ground proximity warning system which has a forward-looking terrain avoidance function.

4.5 ALL HELICOPTERS ON FLIGHTS OVER WATER

4.5.1 Means of flotation

All helicopters intended to be flown over water shall be fitted with a permanent or rapidly deployable means of flotation so as to ensure a safe ditching of the helicopter when:

- a) Engaged in offshore operations, or other overwater operations as prescribed by the DGCA; or
- b) Flying over water in a hostile environment at a distance from land corresponding to more than 10 minutes at normal cruise speed when operating in performance Class 1 or 2; or

When operating in a hostile environment, a safe ditching requires a helicopter to be designed for landing on water or certificated in accordance with ditching provisions.

- c) Flying over water in a non-hostile environment at a distance from land specified by the appropriate authority of the responsible State when operating in performance Class 1; or

When considering the distance beyond which flotation equipment is required, the DGCA should take into consideration the certification standard of the helicopter.

- d) Flying over water beyond auto rotational or safe forced landing distance from land when operating in performance Class 3.

4.5.2 Emergency equipment

4.5.2.1 Helicopters operating in performance Class 1 or 2 and operating in accordance with the provisions of 4.5.1 shall be equipped with:

- a) One life jacket, or equivalent individual flotation device, for each person on board, stowed in a position easily accessible from the seat or berth of the person for whose use it is provided. For offshore operations the life jacket shall be worn constantly unless the occupant is wearing an integrated survival suit that includes the functionality of the life jacket;
- b) Life-saving rafts in sufficient numbers to carry all persons on board, stowed so as to facilitate their ready use in emergency, provided with such life-saving equipment including means of sustaining life as is appropriate to the flight to be undertaken; When two life rafts are fitted, each shall be able to carry all occupants in the overload state; and
- c) Equipment for making the pyrotechnical distress signals described in ICAO Annex 2.

The life raft overload state has a design safety margin of 1.5 times the maximum capacity.

4.5.2.2 Helicopters operating in performance Class 3 when operating beyond auto rotational distance from land but within a distance from land specified by the appropriate authority of the responsible State shall be equipped with one life jacket, or equivalent individual flotation device, for each person on board, stowed in a position easily accessible from the seat or berth of the person for whose use it is provided.

When determining the distance from land referred to in 4.5.2.2, consideration should be given to environmental conditions and the availability of search and rescue facilities.

4.5.2.2.1 For offshore operations, when operating beyond auto rotational distance from land, the life jacket shall be worn unless the occupant is wearing an integrated survival suit that includes the functionality of the life jacket.

4.5.2.3 Helicopters operating in performance Class 3 when operating beyond the distance specified in 4.5.2.2 shall be equipped as in 4.5.2.1.

4.5.2.4 In the case of helicopters operating in performance Class 2 or 3, when taking off or landing at a heliport where, in the opinion of the DGCA, the take-off or approach path is so disposed over water that in the event of a mishap there would be likelihood of a ditching, at least the equipment required in 4.5.2.1 a) shall be carried.

4.5.2.5 Each life jacket and equivalent individual flotation device, when carried in accordance with 4.5, shall be equipped with a means of electric illumination for the purpose of facilitating the location of persons.

4.5.2.6 On any helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1991, at least 50 per cent of the life rafts carried in accordance with the provisions of 4.5.2 should be deployable by remote control.

4.5.2.7 Rafts which are not deployable by remote control and which have a mass of more than 40 kg should be equipped with some means of mechanically assisted deployment.

4.5.2.8 On any helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was first issued before 1 January 1991, the provisions of 4.5.2.6 and 4.5.2.7 should be complied with no later than 31 December 1992.

4.5.3 All helicopters on flights over designated sea areas

4.5.3.1 Helicopters, when operating over sea areas which have been designated by the State concerned as areas in which search and rescue would be especially difficult, shall be equipped with life-saving equipment (including means of sustaining life) as may be appropriate to the area overflown.

4.5.3.2 For offshore operations, a survival suit should be worn by all occupants when the sea temperature is less than 10°C or when the estimated rescue time exceeds the calculated survival time. When the elevation and strength of the sun results in a high temperature hazard on the flight deck, consideration should be given to alleviating the flight crew from this recommendation.

When establishing rescue time, the sea state and the ambient light conditions should be taken into consideration.

4.6 ALL HELICOPTERS ON FLIGHTS OVER DESIGNATED LAND AREAS

Helicopters, when operated across land areas which have been designated by the State concerned as areas in which search and rescue would be especially difficult, shall be equipped with such signalling devices and life-saving equipment (including means of sustaining life) as may be appropriate to the area overflown.

4.7 EMERGENCY LOCATOR TRANSMITTER (ELT)

4.7.1 From 1 July 2008, all helicopters operating in performance Class 1 and 2 shall be equipped with at least one automatic ELT and, when operating on flights over water as described in 4.5.1 a), with at least one automatic ELT and one ELT(S) in a raft or life jacket.

4.7.2 From 1 July 2008, all helicopters operating in performance Class 3 shall be equipped with at least one automatic ELT and, when operating on flights over water as described in 4.5.1 b), with at least one automatic ELT and one ELT(S) in a raft or life jacket.

4.7.3 ELT equipment carried to satisfy the requirements of 4.7.1 and 4.7.2 shall operate in accordance with the relevant provisions of IS-040

The judicious choice of numbers of ELTs, their type and placement on aircraft and associated floatable life support systems will ensure the greatest chance of ELT activation in the event of an accident for aircraft operating over water or land, including areas especially difficult for search and rescue. Placement of transmitter units is a vital factor in ensuring optimal crash and fire protection. The placement of the control and switching devices (activation monitors) of automatic fixed ELTs and their associated operational procedures will also take into consideration the need for rapid detection of inadvertent activation and convenient manual switching by crew members.

4.8 ALL HELICOPTERS ON HIGH ALTITUDE FLIGHTS

Approximate altitude in the Standard Atmosphere corresponding to the value of absolute pressure used in this text is as follows:

Absolute pressure	Metres	Feet
700 hPa	3 000	10 000
620 hPa	4 000	13 000
376 hPa	7 600	25 000

- 4.8.1 A helicopter intended to be operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure is less than 700 hPa in personnel compartments shall be equipped with oxygen storage and dispensing apparatus capable of storing and dispensing the oxygen supplies required in 2.3.8.1.
- 4.8.2 A helicopter intended to be operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure is less than 700 hPa but which is provided with means of maintaining pressures greater than 700 hPa in personnel compartments shall be provided with oxygen storage and dispensing apparatus capable of storing and dispensing the oxygen supplies required in 2.3.8.2.
- 4.8.3 A helicopter intended to be operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure is less than 376 hPa, or which, if operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure is more than 376 hPa which cannot descend safely within four minutes to a flight altitude at which the atmospheric pressure is equal to 620 hPa, and for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was issued on or after 9 November 1998, shall be provided with automatically deployable oxygen equipment to satisfy the requirements of 2.3.8.2. The total number of oxygen dispensing units shall exceed the number of passenger and cabin crew seats by at least 10 per cent.
- 4.8.4 A helicopter intended to be operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure is less than 376 hPa, or which, if operated at flight altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure is more than 376 hPa which cannot descend safely within four minutes to a flight altitude at which the atmospheric pressure is equal to 620 hPa, and for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was issued before 9 November 1998, should be provided with automatically deployable oxygen equipment to satisfy the requirements of 2.3.8.2. The total number of oxygen dispensing units should exceed the number of passenger and cabin crew seats by at least 10 per cent.

4.9 ALL HELICOPTERS IN ICING CONDITIONS

All helicopters shall be equipped with suitable anti-icing and/or de-icing devices when operated in circumstances in which icing conditions are reported to exist or are expected to be encountered.

4.10 HELICOPTERS WHEN CARRYING PASSENGERS — SIGNIFICANT-WEATHER DETECTION

Helicopters when carrying passengers should be equipped with operative weather radar or other significant-weather detection equipment whenever such helicopters are being operated in areas where thunderstorms or other potentially hazardous weather conditions, regarded as detectable, may be expected to exist along the route either at night or under instrument meteorological conditions.

4.11 ALL HELICOPTERS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE NOISE CERTIFICATION STANDARDS AS IS -081

All helicopters required to comply with the noise certification Standards of IS-081, shall carry a document attesting noise certification. When the document, or a suitable statement attesting noise

certification as contained in another document approved by the DGCA, is issued in a language other than English, it shall include an English translation.

The attestation may be contained in any document, carried on board, approved by the DGCA in accordance with the relevant provisions of IS-081

The various noise certification Standards of IS-081, which are applicable to helicopters are determined according to the date of application for a type certificate, or the date of acceptance of an application under an equivalent prescribed procedure by the certificating authority. Some helicopters are not required to comply with any noise certification Standard. For details see IS=081

4.12 HELICOPTERS CARRYING PASSENGERS — CABIN CREW SEATS

4.12.1 All helicopters shall be equipped with a forward or rearward facing (within 15 degrees of the longitudinal axis of the helicopter) seat, fitted with a safety harness for the use of each cabin crew member required to satisfy the intent of 10.1 in respect of emergency evacuation.

In accordance with the provisions of 4.2.2 c) 1), a seat and seat belt shall be provided for the use of each additional cabin crew member.

Safety harness includes shoulder straps and a seat belt which may be used independently.

4.12.2 Cabin crew seats shall be located near floor level and other emergency exits as required by the DGCA for emergency evacuation.

4.13 HELICOPTERS REQUIRED TO BE EQUIPPED WITH A PRESSURE-ALTITUDE REPORTING TRANSPONDER

Except as may be otherwise authorized by the appropriate authority, all helicopters shall be equipped with a pressure-altitude reporting transponder which operates in accordance with the provisions of IS-064

This provision is intended to support the effectiveness of ACAS as well as to improve the effectiveness of air traffic services. The intent is also for aircraft not equipped with pressure-altitude reporting transponders to be operated so as not to share airspace used by aircraft equipped with airborne collision avoidance systems.

4.14 MICROPHONES

All flight crew members required to be on flight deck duty shall communicate through boom or throat microphones.

4.15 VIBRATION HEALTH MONITORING SYSTEM

A helicopter which has a maximum certificated take-off mass in excess of 3 175 kg or a maximum passenger seating configuration of more than 9 should be equipped with a vibration health monitoring system.

4.16 HELICOPTERS EQUIPPED WITH AUTOMATIC LANDING SYSTEMS, A HEAD-UP DISPLAY (HUD) OR EQUIVALENT DISPLAYS, ENHANCED VISION SYSTEMS (EVS), SYNTHETIC VISION SYSTEMS (SVS) AND/OR COMBINED VISION SYSTEMS (CVS)

4.16.1 Notwithstanding Chapter 2, 2.2.8.1.2 to 2.2.8.1.3 where helicopters are equipped with automatic landing systems, HUD or equivalent displays, EVS, SVS or CVS, or any combination of those systems into a hybrid system, the use of such systems for the safe operation of a helicopter shall be established by the DGCA.

Information regarding automatic landing systems, a HUD or equivalent displays, EVS, SVS or CVS, is contained in the Manual of All-Weather Operations (Doc 9365).

Automatic landing system — helicopter is an automatic approach using airborne systems which provide automatic control of the flight path, to a point aligned with the landing surface, from which the pilot can transition to a safe landing by means of natural vision without the use of automatic control.

4.17 ELECTRONIC FLIGHT BAGS (EFBS) -IS 027

Guidance on EFB equipment, functions and specific approval is contained in the Manual on Electronic Flight Bags (EFBs) (Doc 10020).

4.17.1 EFB equipment

Where portable EFBs are used on board a helicopter, the AOC holder shall ensure that they do not affect the performance of the helicopter systems, equipment or the ability to operate the helicopter.

4.17.2 EFB functions

4.17.2.1 Where EFBs are used on board a helicopter the AOC holder shall:

- a) Assess the safety risk(s) associated with each EFB function;
- b) Establish and document the procedures for the use of, and training requirements for, the device and each EFB function; and
- c) Ensure that, in the event of an EFB failure, sufficient information is readily available to the flight crew for the flight to be conducted safely.

Guidance on safety risk assessments is contained in the IS 070.

4.17.2.2 The DGCA shall issue a specific approval for the operational use of EFB functions to be used for the safe operation of helicopters.

4.17.3 EFB specific approval

When issuing a specific approval for the operational use of EFBs, the DGCA shall ensure that:

- a) The EFB equipment and its associated installation hardware, including interaction with helicopter systems if applicable, meet the appropriate airworthiness certification requirements;
- b) The AOC holder has assessed the safety risks associated with the operations supported by the EFB function(s);
- c) The AOC holder has established requirements for redundancy of the information (if appropriate) contained and displayed by the EFB function(s);
- d) The AOC holder has established and documented procedures for the management of the EFB function(s) including any databases it may use; and
- e) The AOC holder has established and documented the procedures for the use of, and training requirements for the EFB function(s).

Guidance on safety risk assessments is contained in the Safety Management Manual (SMM) (Doc 9859) and IS 070

CHAPTER 5.

HELICOPTER COMMUNICATION, NAVIGATION AND SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

5.1 COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

5.1.1 A helicopter shall be provided with radio communication equipment capable of:

- a) Conducting two-way communication for heliport control purposes;
- b) Receiving meteorological information at any time during flight; and
- c) Conducting two-way communication at any time during flight with at least one aeronautical station and with such other aeronautical stations and on such frequencies as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority.

The requirements of 5.1.1 are considered fulfilled if the ability to conduct the communications specified therein is established during radio propagation conditions which are normal for the route.

5.1.2 The radio communication equipment required in accordance with 5.1.1 shall provide for communications on the aeronautical emergency frequency 121.5 MHz

5.1.3 For operations where communication equipment is required to meet an RCP specification for performance-based communication (PBC), a helicopter shall, in addition to the requirements specified in 5.1.1:

- a) Be provided with communication equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the prescribed RCP specification(s);
- b) have information relevant to the helicopter RCP specification capabilities listed in the flight manual or other helicopter documentation approved by the DGCA; and
- c) Have information relevant to the helicopter RCP specification capabilities included in the MEL.

Information on the performance-based communication and surveillance (PBCS) concept and guidance material on its implementation are contained in the Performance-based Communication and Surveillance (PBCS) Manual (Doc 9869).

5.1.4 The DGCA shall, for operations where an RCP specification for PBC has been prescribed, ensure that the AOC holder has established and documented:

- a) Normal and abnormal procedures, including contingency procedures;
- b) Flight crew qualification and proficiency requirements, in accordance with appropriate RCP specifications;

- c) A training programme for relevant personnel consistent with the intended operations; and
- d) Appropriate maintenance procedures to ensure continued airworthiness, in accordance with appropriate RCP specifications.

5.1.5 The DGCA shall ensure that, in respect of those helicopters mentioned in 5.1.3, adequate provisions exist for:

- a) Receiving the reports of observed communication performance issued by monitoring programmes established in accordance with ICAO Annex 11, Chapter 3, 3.3.5.2; and
- b) Taking immediate corrective action for individual helicopters, helicopter types or the AOC holders, identified in such reports as not complying with the RCP specification(s).

5.2 NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT

5.2.1 A helicopter shall be provided with navigation equipment which will enable it to proceed:

- a) In accordance with its operational flight plan; and
- b) In accordance with the requirements of air traffic services;

Except when, if not so precluded by the appropriate authority, navigation for flights under VFR is accomplished by visual reference to landmarks.

5.2.2 For operations where a navigation specification for performance-based navigation (PBN) has been prescribed, a helicopter shall, in addition to the requirements specified in 5.2.1:

- a) Be provided with navigation equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the prescribed navigation specification(s); and
- b) Have information relevant to the helicopter navigation specification capabilities listed in the flight manual or other helicopter documentation approved by the State of Design or State of Registry; and
- c) Have information relevant to the helicopter navigation specification capabilities included in the MEL.

Guidance on helicopter documentation is contained in the Performance-based Navigation (PBN) Manual (Doc 9613) and IS-024

5.2.3 The DGCA shall, for operations where a navigation specification for PBN has been prescribed, ensure that the AOC holder has established and documented:

- a) Normal and abnormal procedures, including contingency procedures;
- b) Flight crew qualification and proficiency requirements, in accordance with the appropriate navigation specifications;
- c) A training programme for relevant personnel consistent with the intended operations; and

- d) Appropriate maintenance procedures to ensure continued airworthiness, in accordance with appropriate navigation specifications.

Guidance on safety risks and mitigations for PBN operations, in accordance with ICAO Annex 19, are contained in the Performance-based Navigation (PBN) Operational Approval Manual (Doc 9997).

Electronic navigation data management is an integral part of normal and abnormal procedures.

- 5.2.4 The DGCA shall issue a specific approval for operations based on PBN authorization required (AR) navigation specifications.

Guidance on specific approvals for PBN authorization required (AR) navigation specifications is contained in the Performance-based Navigation (PBN) Operational Approval Manual (Doc 9997).

- 5.2.5 The helicopter shall be sufficiently provided with navigation equipment to ensure that, in the event of the failure of one item of equipment at any stage of the flight, the remaining equipment will enable the helicopter to navigate in accordance with 5.2.1 and, where applicable, 5.2.2.

- 5.2.6 On flights in which it is intended to land in instrument meteorological conditions, a helicopter shall be provided with appropriate navigation equipment providing guidance to a point from which a visual landing can be effected. This equipment shall be capable of providing such guidance at each heliport at which it is intended to land in instrument meteorological conditions and at any designated alternate heliports.

5.3 SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

- 5.3.1 A helicopter shall be provided with surveillance equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the requirements of air traffic services.

- 5.3.2 For operations where surveillance equipment is required to meet an RSP specification for performance-based surveillance (PBS), a helicopter shall, in addition to the requirements specified in 5.3.1:

- a) Be provided with surveillance equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the prescribed RSP specification(s);
- b) Have information relevant to the helicopter RSP specification capabilities listed in the flight manual or other helicopter documentation approved by the State of Design or State of Registry; and
- c) Have information relevant to the helicopter RSP specification capabilities included in the MEL.

Information on surveillance equipment is contained in the Aeronautical Surveillance Manual (Doc 9924). IS-047

Information on RSP specifications for performance-based surveillance is contained in the Performance-based Communication and Surveillance (PBCS) Manual (Doc 9869).

- 5.3.3 The DGCA shall, for operations where an RSP specification for PBS has been prescribed, ensure that the AOC holder has established and documented:

- a) Normal and abnormal procedures, including contingency procedures;

- b) Flight crew qualification and proficiency requirements, in accordance with appropriate RSP specifications;
- c) A training programme for relevant personnel consistent with the intended operations; and
- d) Appropriate maintenance procedures to ensure continued airworthiness, in accordance with appropriate RSP specifications.

5.3.4 The DGCA shall ensure that, in respect of those helicopters mentioned in 5.3.2, adequate provisions exist for:

- a) Receiving the reports of observed surveillance performance issued by monitoring programmes established in accordance with IS 025; and
- b) Taking immediate corrective action for individual helicopter, helicopter types or the AOC holder, identified in such reports as not complying with the RSP specification(s).

5.4 INSTALLATION

The equipment installation shall be such that the failure of any single unit required for communication, navigation or surveillance purposes or any combination thereof will not result in the failure of another unit required for communication, navigation or surveillance purposes.

5.5 ELECTRONIC NAVIGATION DATA MANAGEMENT

5.5.1 The AOC holder shall not employ electronic navigation data products that have been processed for application in the air and on the ground, unless the DGCA has approved the AOC holder's procedures for ensuring that the process applied and the products delivered have met acceptable standards of integrity and that the products are compatible with the intended function of the existing equipment. The DGCA shall ensure that the AOC holder continues to monitor both the process and products.

5.5.2 The AOC holder shall implement procedures that ensure the timely distribution and insertion of current and unaltered electronic navigation data to all necessary aircraft.

CHAPTER 6.

HELICOPTER CONTINUING AIRWORTHINESS

For the purpose of this chapter “helicopter” includes: engines, power transmissions, rotors, components, accessories, instruments, equipment and apparatus including emergency equipment.

Reference is made throughout this chapter to the requirements of the DGCA. When the DGCA is not the same as the State of Registry, it may be necessary to consider any additional requirements of the DGCA.

Guidance on continuing airworthiness requirements is contained in the IS 080 Part M for applicable requirements and Airworthiness Manual (Doc 9760).

6.1 THE AOC HOLDER’S MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

6.1.1 AOC holders shall ensure that, in accordance with procedures acceptable to the DGCA:

- a) Each helicopter they operate is maintained in an airworthy condition;
- b) The operational and emergency equipment necessary for the intended flight is serviceable; and
- c) The certificate of airworthiness of the helicopter they operate remains valid.

6.1.2 Until 4 November 2020, the AOC holder shall not operate a helicopter unless it is maintained and released to service by an organization approved in accordance with ICAO Annex 6, Part I, 8.7, or under an equivalent system, either of which shall be acceptable to the DGCA.

As of 5 November 2020, the AOC holder shall not operate a helicopter unless maintenance on the helicopter, including any associated engine, rotor and part, is carried out:

- a) by an organization complying with IS-Part M that is either approved by the DGCA of the helicopter or is approved by another Contracting State and is accepted by the DGCA; or
- b) by a person or organization in accordance with procedures that are authorized by the DGCA; and there is a maintenance release in relation to the maintenance carried out.

6.1.3 The AOC holder shall employ a person or group of persons to ensure that all maintenance is carried out in accordance with the maintenance control manual.

6.1.4 The AOC holder shall ensure that the maintenance of its helicopters is performed in accordance with the maintenance programme approved by the DGCA.

6.2 THE AOC HOLDER’S MAINTENANCE CONTROL MANUAL

6.2.1 The AOC holder shall provide, for the use and guidance of maintenance and operational personnel concerned, a maintenance control manual, acceptable to the DGCA, in accordance with the requirements of 9.2. The design of the manual shall observe Human Factors principles.

Guidance material on the application of Human Factors principles can be found in the Human Factors Training Manual (Doc 9683).

6.2.2 The AOC holder shall ensure that the maintenance control manual is amended as necessary to keep the information contained therein up to date.

6.2.3 Copies of all amendments to the AOC holder's maintenance control manual shall be furnished promptly to all organizations or persons to whom the manual has been issued.

6.2.4 The AOC holder shall provide the DGCA and the State of Registry with a copy of the AOC holder's maintenance control manual, together with all amendments and/or revisions to it and shall incorporate in it such mandatory material as the DGCA or the State of Registry may require.

6.3 MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

6.3.1 The AOC holder shall provide, for the use and guidance of maintenance and operational personnel concerned, a maintenance programme, approved by the DGCA, containing the information required by 9.3. The design and application of the AOC holder's maintenance programme shall observe Human Factors principles.

Guidance material on the application of Human Factors principles can be found in the Human Factors Training Manual (Doc 9683).

6.3.2 Copies of all amendments to the maintenance programme shall be furnished promptly to all organizations or persons to whom the maintenance programme has been issued.

6.4 MAINTENANCE RECORDS

6.4.1 The AOC holder shall ensure that the following records are kept for the periods mentioned in

- a) The total time in service (hours, calendar time and cycles, as appropriate) of the helicopter and all life-limited components;
- b) The current status of compliance with all mandatory continuing airworthiness information;
- c) Appropriate details of modifications and repairs to the helicopter and its major components;
- d) The time in service (hours, calendar time and cycles, as appropriate) since last overhaul of the helicopter or its components subject to a mandatory overhaul life;
- e) The current status of the helicopter's compliance with the maintenance programme; and
- f) The detailed maintenance records to show that all requirements for a maintenance release have been met.

6.4.2 The records in 6.4.1 a) to e) shall be kept for a minimum period of 90 days after the unit to which they refer has been permanently withdrawn from service, and the records in 6.4.1 f) for a minimum period of one year after the signing of the maintenance release.

6.4.3 In the event of a temporary change of the AOC holder, the records shall be made available to the new AOC holder. In the event of any permanent change of the AOC holder, the records shall be transferred to the new AOC holder.

6.4.4 As of 5 November 2020, records kept and transferred in accordance with 6.4 shall be maintained in a form and format that ensures readability, security and integrity of the records at all times.

The form and format of the records may include, for example, paper records, film records, electronic records or any combination thereof.

Guidance regarding electronic aircraft continuing airworthiness records is included in the Airworthiness Manual (Doc 9760).

6.5 CONTINUING AIRWORTHINESS INFORMATION

6.5.1 The AOC holder of a helicopter over 3 175 kg maximum mass shall monitor and assess maintenance and operational experience with respect to continuing airworthiness and provide the information as prescribed by the DGCA and report through the system specified in IS 080.

6.5.2 The AOC holder of a helicopter over 3 175 kg maximum mass shall obtain and assess continuing airworthiness information and recommendations available from the organization responsible for the type design and shall implement resulting actions considered necessary in accordance with a procedure acceptable to the DGCA.

6.6 MODIFICATIONS AND REPAIRS

All modifications and repairs shall comply with airworthiness requirements acceptable to the DGCA. Procedures shall be established to ensure that the substantiating data supporting compliance with the airworthiness requirements are retained.

6.7 MAINTENANCE RELEASE

6.7.1 When maintenance is carried out by an approved maintenance organization, the maintenance release shall be issued by the approved maintenance organization in accordance with the provisions of IS 080

6.7.2 When maintenance is not carried out by an approved maintenance organization, the maintenance release shall be completed and signed by a person appropriately licensed in accordance with Annex 1 to certify that the maintenance work performed has been completed satisfactorily and in accordance with approved data and the procedures acceptable to DGCA.

6.7.3 When maintenance is not carried out by an approved maintenance organization, the maintenance release shall include the following:

- a) basic details of the maintenance carried out including detailed reference of the approved data used;
- b) The date such maintenance was completed; and
- c) The identity of the person or persons signing the release.

6.8 RECORDS

6.8.1 The AOC holder shall ensure that the following records are kept:

- a) In respect of the entire helicopter: the total time in service;
- b) In respect of the major components of the helicopter:
 - 1) The total time in service;
 - 2) The date of the last overhaul;
 - 3) The date of the last inspection;
- c) In respect of those instruments and equipment, the serviceability and operating life of which are determined by their time in service:
 - 1) Such records of the time in service as are necessary to determine their serviceability or to compute their operating life;
 - 2) The date of the last inspection.

6.8.2 These records shall be kept for a period of 90 days after the end of the operating life of the unit to which they refer IS Part M for applicable requirements

CHAPTER 7.

HELICOPTER FLIGHT CREW

7.1 COMPOSITION OF THE FLIGHT CREW

- 7.1.1 The number and composition of the flight crew shall not be less than that specified in the operations manual. The flight crews shall include flight crew members in addition to the minimum numbers specified in the flight manual or other documents associated with the certificate of airworthiness, when necessitated by considerations related to the type of helicopter used, the type of operation involved and the duration of flight between points where flight crews are changed.
- 7.1.2 The flight crew shall include at least one member authorized by the DGCAy to operate the type of radio transmitting equipment to be used.

7.2 FLIGHT CREW MEMBER EMERGENCY DUTIES

The AOC holder shall, for each type of helicopter, assign to all flight crew members the necessary functions they are to perform in an emergency or in a situation requiring emergency evacuation. Annual training in accomplishing these functions shall be contained in the AOC holder's training programme and shall include instruction in the use of all emergency and life-saving equipment required to be carried, and drills in the emergency evacuation of the helicopter.

7.3 FLIGHT CREW MEMBER TRAINING PROGRAMMES

- 7.3.1 The AOC holder shall establish and maintain a ground and flight training programme, approved by the DGCA in accordance with IS-72 which ensures that all flight crew members are adequately trained to perform their assigned duties. The training programme shall:
- a) Include ground and flight training facilities and properly qualified instructors as determined by the DGCA;
 - b) Consist of ground and flight training for the type(s) of helicopter on which the flight crew member serves;
 - c) Include proper flight crew coordination and training for all types of emergency and abnormal situations or procedures caused by engine, transmission, rotor, airframe or systems malfunctions, fire or other abnormalities;
 - d) Include training in knowledge and skills related to the visual and instrument flight procedures for the intended area of operation, human performance and threat and error management, the transport of dangerous goods and, where applicable, procedures specific to the environment in which the helicopter is to be operated;
 - e) Ensure that all flight crew members know the functions for which they are responsible and the relation of these functions to the functions of other crew members, particularly in regard to abnormal or emergency procedures;

- f) include training in knowledge and skills related to the operational use of head-up display and/or enhanced vision systems for those helicopters so equipped; and
- g) Be given on a recurrent basis, as determined by the DGCA and shall include an assessment of competence.

Paragraph 2.2.5 prohibits the in-flight simulation of emergency or abnormal situations when passengers or cargo are being carried.

Flight training may, to the extent deemed appropriate by the DGCA, be given in flight simulation training devices approved by the State for that purpose.

The scope of the recurrent training required by 7.2 and 7.3 may be varied and need not be as extensive as the initial training given in a particular type of helicopter.

The use of correspondence courses and written examinations as well as other means may, to the extent deemed feasible by the DGCA, be utilized in meeting the requirements for periodic ground training.

For more information on dangerous goods operational requirements, see Chapter 12.

Guidance material to design training programmes to develop knowledge and skills in human performance can be found in the Human Factors Training Manual (Doc 9683).

Guidance material to design flight crew training programmes can be found in the Manual of Evidence-based Training (Doc 9995).

7.3.2 The requirement for recurrent flight training in a particular type of helicopter shall be considered fulfilled by:

- a) The use, to the extent deemed feasible by the DGCA, of flight simulation training devices approved by that State for that purpose; or
- b) The completion within the appropriate period of the proficiency check required by 7.4.4 in that type of helicopter.

7.4 QUALIFICATIONS

DGCA Personnel Licensing Procedures Manual (SLCAP 3010) for Establishment and Management of a System provides guidance for general nature on cross-crew qualification, mixed-fleet flying and cross-credit.

7.4.1 Recent experience — pilot-in-command and co-pilot

7.4.1.1 The the AOC holder shall not assign a pilot-in-command or a co-pilot to operate at the flight controls of a type or variant of a type of a helicopter during take-off and landing unless that pilot has operated the flight controls during at least three take-offs and landings within the preceding 90 days on the same type of helicopter or in a flight simulator approved for the purpose.

7.4.1.2 When a pilot-in-command or a co-pilot is flying several variants of the same type of helicopter or different types of helicopter with similar characteristics in terms of operating procedures,

systems and handling, the State shall decide under which conditions the requirements of 7.4.1.1 for each variant or each type of helicopter can be combined.

7.4.2 Pilot-in-command operational qualification

7.4.2.1 The AOC holder shall not utilize a pilot as pilot-in-command of a helicopter on an operation for which that pilot is not currently qualified until such pilot has complied with 7.4.2.2 and 7.4.2.3.

7.4.2.2 Each such pilot shall demonstrate to the AOC holder an adequate knowledge of:

- a) The operation to be flown. This shall include knowledge of:
 - 1) The terrain and minimum safe altitudes;
 - 2) The seasonal meteorological conditions;
 - 3) The meteorological, communication and air traffic facilities, services and procedures;
 - 4) The search and rescue procedures; and
 - 5) The navigation facilities and procedures associated with the route or area in which the flight is to take place; and
- b) Procedures applicable to flight paths over heavily populated areas and areas of high air traffic density, obstructions, physical layout, lighting, approach aids and arrival, departure, holding and instrument approach procedures, and applicable operating minima.

That portion of the demonstration relating to arrival, departure, holding and instrument approach procedures may be accomplished in an appropriate training device which is adequate for this purpose.

7.4.2.3 A pilot-in-command shall have made a flight, representative of the operation with which the pilot is to be engaged which must include a landing at a representative heliport, as a member of the flight crew and accompanied by a pilot who is qualified for the operation.

7.4.2.4 The AOC holder shall maintain a record, sufficient to satisfy the DGCA of the qualification of the pilot and of the manner in which such qualification has been achieved.

7.4.2.5 The AOC holder shall not continue to utilize a pilot as a pilot-in-command on an operation in an area specified by the AOC holder and approved by the DGCA unless, within the preceding 12 months, the pilot has made at least one representative flight as a pilot member of the flight crew, or as a check pilot, or as an observer on the flight deck. In the event that more than 12 months elapse in which a pilot has not made such a representative flight, prior to again serving as a pilot-in-command on that operation, that pilot must requalify in accordance with 7.4.2.2 and 7.4.2.3.

7.4.3 Pilot proficiency checks

7.4.3.1 The AOC holder shall ensure that piloting technique and the ability to execute emergency procedures is checked in such a way as to demonstrate the pilot's competence on each type or variant of a type of helicopter. Where the operation may be conducted under IFR, the AOC holder shall ensure that the pilot's competence to comply with such rules is demonstrated to

either a check pilot of the AOC holder or to a representative of the DGCA. Such checks shall be performed twice within any period of one year. Any two such checks which are similar and which occur within a period of four consecutive months shall not alone satisfy this requirement.

Flight simulation training devices approved by the DGCA may be used for those parts of the checks for which they are specifically approved.

7.4.3.2 When the AOC holder schedules flight crew on several variants of the same type of helicopter or different types of helicopters with similar characteristics in terms of operating procedures, systems and handling, the DGCA shall decide under which conditions the requirements of 7.4.3.1 for each variant or each type of helicopter can be combined.

7.5 FLIGHT CREW EQUIPMENT

A flight crew member assessed as fit to exercise the privileges of a licence, subject to the use of suitable correcting lenses, shall have a spare set of the correcting lenses readily available when exercising those privileges.

Guidance on the establishment of limitations is given in Attachment A of this IS.

CHAPTER 8.

FLIGHT OPERATIONS OFFICER/FLIGHT DISPATCHER

- 8.1 When the DGCA requires that a flight operations officer/flight dispatcher, employed in conjunction with an approved method of control and supervision of flight operations be licensed, that flight operations officer/flight dispatcher shall be licensed in accordance with the provisions of ICAO Annex 1.
- 8.2 In accepting proof of qualifications other than the option of holding of a flight operations officer/flight dispatcher licence, the DGCA, in accordance with the approved method of control and supervision of flight operations, shall require that, as a minimum, such persons meet the requirements specified in ICAO Annex 1 for the flight operations officer/flight dispatcher licence.
- 8.3 A flight operations officer/flight dispatcher shall not be assigned to duty unless that person has:
- a) Satisfactorily completed the AOC holder -specific training course that addresses all the specific components of its approved method of control and supervision of flight operations specified in 2.2.1.3;

Guidance on the composition of such training syllabi is provided in the Flight Operations Officers/Flight Dispatchers, IS 49

- b) Made, within the preceding 12 months, at least a one-way qualification flight in a helicopter over any area for which that person is authorized to exercise flight supervision. The flight shall include landings at as many heliports as practicable;

For the purpose of the qualification flight, the flight operations officer/flight dispatcher must be able to monitor the flight crew intercommunication system and radio communications, and be able to observe the actions of the flight crew.

- c) Demonstrated to the AOC holder a knowledge of:
 - 1) The contents of the operations manual described in Attachment G;
 - 2) The radio equipment in the helicopters used; and
 - 3) The navigation equipment in the helicopters used;
- d) Demonstrated to the AOC holder a knowledge of the following details concerning operations for which the officer is responsible and areas in which that individual is authorized to exercise flight supervision:
 - 1) The seasonal meteorological conditions and the sources of meteorological information;
 - 2) The effects of meteorological conditions on radio reception in the helicopters used;

- 3) The peculiarities and limitations of each navigation system which is used by the operation; and
 - 4) The helicopter loading instructions;
 - e) Satisfied the AOC holder as to knowledge and skills related to human performance as they apply to dispatch duties; and
 - f) Demonstrated to the AOC holder the ability to perform the duties specified in 2.6.
- 8.4 A flight operations officer/flight dispatcher assigned to duty should maintain complete familiarization with all features of the operations which are pertinent to such duties, including knowledge and skills related to human performance.
- 8.5 A flight operations officer/flight dispatcher should not be assigned to duty after 12 consecutive months of absence from such duty, unless the provisions of 8.3 are met.

CHAPTER 9.

MANUALS, LOGS AND RECORDS

9.1 FLIGHT MANUAL

The flight manual contains the information specified in SLCAP 4500.

The flight manual shall be updated by implementing changes made mandatory by the DGCA.

9.2 AOC HOLDER'S MAINTENANCE CONTROL MANUAL

The AOC holder's maintenance control manual provided in accordance with 6.2, which may be issued in separate parts, shall contain the following information:

- a) A description of the procedures required by 6.1.1 including, when applicable:
 - 1) A description of the administrative arrangements between the AOC holder and the approved maintenance organization;
 - 2) A description of the maintenance procedures and the procedures for completing and signing a maintenance release when maintenance is based on a system other than that of an approved maintenance organization;
- b) Names and duties of the person or persons required by 6.1.4;
- c) A reference to the maintenance programme required by 6.3.1;
- d) A description of the methods used for the completion and retention of the AOC holder's maintenance records required by 6.4;
- e) A description of the procedures for monitoring, assessing and reporting maintenance and operational experience required by 6.5.1;
- f) A description of the procedures for complying with the service information reporting requirements of IS 080 Part M.
- g) A description of procedures for assessing continuing airworthiness information and implementing any resulting actions, as required by 6.5.2;
- h) A description of the procedures for implementing action resulting from mandatory continuing airworthiness information;
- i) A description of establishing and maintaining a system of analysis and continued monitoring of the performance and efficiency of the maintenance programme, in order to correct any deficiency in that programme;
- j) A description of helicopter types and models to which the manual applies;

- k) A description of procedures for ensuring that unserviceabilities affecting airworthiness are recorded and rectified;
- l) A description of the procedures for advising the DGCA of significant in-service occurrences;
- m) A description of procedures to control the leasing of aircraft and related aeronautical products; and
- n) A description of the maintenance control manual amendment procedures.

Refer to IS Part M for applicable requirements

9.3 MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

9.3.1 A maintenance programme for each helicopter as required by 6.3 shall contain the following information:

- a) Maintenance tasks and the intervals at which these are to be performed, taking into account the anticipated utilization of the helicopter;
- b) When applicable, a continuing structural integrity programme;
- c) Procedures for changing or deviating from a) and b) above; and
- d) When applicable, condition monitoring and reliability programme descriptions for helicopter systems, components, power transmissions, rotors and engines.

9.3.2 Maintenance tasks and intervals that have been specified as mandatory in approval of the type design shall be identified as such.

9.3.3 The maintenance programme should be based on maintenance programme information made available by the State of Design or by the organization responsible for the type design, and any additional applicable experience.

Refer to IS Part M for applicable requirements

9.4 JOURNEY LOG BOOK

9.4.1 The helicopter journey log book should contain the following items and the corresponding Roman numerals:

- I — Helicopter nationality and registration.
- II — Date.
- III — Names of crew members.
- IV — Duty assignments of crew members.
- V — Place of departure.
- VI — Place of arrival.
- VII — Time of departure.
- VIII — Time of arrival.
- IX — Hours of flight.

- X — Nature of flight (private, scheduled or non-scheduled). XI — Incidents, Observations, if any.
- XII — Signature of person in charge.

9.4.2 Entries in the journey log book should be made currently and in ink or indelible pencil.

9.4.3 Completed journey log books should be retained to provide a continuous record of the last six months' operations.

9.5 RECORDS OF EMERGENCY AND SURVIVAL EQUIPMENT CARRIED

AOC holders shall at all times have available for immediate communication to rescue coordination centres, lists containing information on the emergency and survival equipment carried on board any of their helicopters engaged in international air navigation. The information shall include, as applicable, the number, colour and type of life rafts and pyrotechnics, details of emergency medical supplies, water supplies and the type and frequencies of the emergency portable radio equipment.

9.6 FLIGHT RECORDER RECORDS

AOC holder shall ensure, to the extent possible, in the event the helicopter becomes involved in an accident or incident, the preservation of all related flight recorder records, and if necessary the associated flight recorders, and their retention in safe custody pending their disposition as determined in accordance with ICAO Annex 13.

CHAPTER 10.

CABIN CREW

10.1 ASSIGNMENT OF EMERGENCY DUTIES

The AOC holder shall establish, to the satisfaction of the DGCA, the minimum number of cabin crew required for each type of helicopter, based on seating capacity or the number of passengers carried, which shall not be less than the minimum number established during certification, in order to effect a safe and expeditious evacuation of the helicopter, and the necessary functions to be performed in an emergency or a situation requiring emergency evacuation. The AOC holder shall assign these functions for each type of helicopter.

Further details for this is found in IS 021.

10.2 PROTECTION OF CABIN CREW DURING FLIGHT

Each cabin crew member shall be seated with seat belt or, when provided, safety harness fastened during take-off and landing and whenever the pilot-in-command so directs.

The foregoing does not preclude the pilot-in-command from directing the fastening of the seat belt only, at times other than during take-off and landing.

10.3 TRAINING

The AOC holder shall establish and maintain a training programme, approved by the DGCA, to be completed by all persons before being assigned as a cabin crew member. Cabin crew members shall complete a recurrent training programme annually. These training programmes shall ensure that each person is:

- a) competent to execute those safety duties and functions that the cabin attendant is assigned to perform in the event of an emergency or in a situation requiring emergency evacuation;
- b) drilled and capable in the use of emergency and life-saving equipment required to be carried, such as life jackets, life rafts, evacuation slides, emergency exits, portable fire extinguishers, oxygen equipment, first-aid and universal precaution kits, and automated external defibrillators;
- c) when serving on helicopters operated above 3 000 m (10 000 ft), knowledgeable as regards the effect of lack of oxygen and, in the case of pressurized helicopters, as regards physiological phenomena accompanying a loss of pressurization;
- d) aware of other crew members' assignments and functions in the event of an emergency so far as is necessary for the fulfilment of the cabin crew member's own duties;
- e) aware of the types of dangerous goods which may, and may not, be carried in a passenger cabin; and

- f) knowledgeable about human performance as related to passenger cabin safety duties including flight crew-cabin crew coordination.

Requirements for the training of cabin crew members in the transport of dangerous goods are included in the Dangerous Goods Training Programme contained in IS 009.

Guidance material to design training programmes to develop knowledge and skills in human performance can be found in the Cabin Crew Safety Training Manual SLCAP 4305.

CHAPTER 11.

SECURITY

11.1 HELICOPTER SEARCH PROCEDURE CHECKLIST

The AOC holder shall ensure that there is on board a checklist of the procedures to be followed in searching for a bomb in case of suspected sabotage. The checklist shall be supported by guidance on the course of action to be taken should a bomb or suspicious object be found.

11.2 TRAINING PROGRAMMES

11.2.1 The AOC holder shall establish and maintain a training programme which enables crew members to act in the most appropriate manner to minimize the consequences of acts of unlawful interference.

11.2.2 The AOC holder shall also establish and maintain a training programme to acquaint appropriate employees with preventive measures and techniques in relation to passengers, baggage, cargo, mail, equipment, stores and supplies intended for carriage on a helicopter so that they contribute to the prevention of acts of sabotage or other forms of unlawful interference.

11.3 REPORTING ACTS OF UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE

Following an act of unlawful interference the pilot-in-command shall submit, without delay, a report of such an act to the Director General of Civil Aviation; the Designated Appropriate Authority for Civil Aviation Security.

CHAPTER 12. DANGEROUS GOODS

12.1 GENERAL APPLICABILITY

The Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air include broad provisions for the international transport of dangerous goods by air which are amplified in the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air IS 009

12.2 STATE RESPONSIBILITIES

AOC holder responsibilities for the transport of dangerous goods are contained IS 009. The section 15 contains the AOC holder's responsibilities and requirements for incident and accident reporting.

12.3 AOC HOLDERS WITH NO SPECIFIC APPROVAL FOR THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS AS CARGO

The DGCA shall ensure that the AOC holder with no specific approval to transport dangerous goods have:

- a) established a dangerous goods training programme that meets the requirements of IS 009, the applicable requirements of the Technical Instructions, Details of the dangerous goods training programme shall be included in the AOC holder' operations manuals; and
- b) established dangerous goods policies and procedures in their operations manuals to meet, at a minimum, the requirements of IS 009, the Technical Instructions .
 - 1) identify and reject undeclared dangerous goods, including COMAT classified as dangerous goods; and
 - 2) report to the DGCA, and the State in which it occurred, any:
 - i) occasions when undeclared dangerous goods are discovered in cargo or mail; and
 - ii) dangerous goods accidents and incidents.

12.4 AOC HOLDERS WITH A SPECIFIC APPROVAL FOR THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS AS CARGO

12.4.1 Overview

The DGCA shall issue a specific approval for the transport of dangerous goods and ensure that the AOC holder:

- a) establishes a dangerous goods training programme that meets the requirements in the Technical Instructions, Part 1;4, and Details of the dangerous goods training programme shall be included in the AOC holder's operations manuals;
- b) establishes dangerous goods policies and procedures in its operations manual to meet, at a minimum, the requirements of IS 009, the Technical Instructions to enable the AOC holder personnel to:

- 1) identify and reject undeclared or mis-declared dangerous goods in cargo or mail, including COMAT classified as dangerous goods;
- 2) report to the appropriate authorities ,DGCA, and the State in which it occurred, any:
 - i) occasions when undeclared or mis-declared dangerous goods are discovered in cargo or mail; and
 - ii) dangerous goods accidents and incidents;
- 3) report to the appropriate authorities DGCA, any occasions when dangerous goods are discovered to have been carried:
 - i) when not loaded, segregated, separated or secured in accordance with the Technical Instructions,
 - ii) without information having been provided to the pilot-in-command;
- 4) accept, handle, store, transport, load and unload dangerous goods, including COMAT classified as dangerous goods as cargo on board an aircraft; and
- 5) provide the pilot-in-command with accurate and legible written or printed information concerning dangerous goods that are to be carried as cargo;

for helicopter operations, with the approval of the DGCA, the information provided to the pilot-in-command may be abbreviated or briefed by other means (e.g., radio communication, as part of the working flight documentation such as a journey log or operational flight plan) where circumstances make it impractical to produce written or printed information or a dedicated form .

12.4.2 Loading and securing of dangerous goods

Packages or overpacks of dangerous goods bearing the “cargo aircraft only” label shall be loaded on a helicopter performing cargo only operations in accordance with Part 7, Chapter 2, Section 4.1 of the Technical Instructions.

12.4.3 Dispensing or expending of dangerous goods from helicopters

These provisions refer to operations where dangerous goods are carried on helicopters with the intent to dispense the items in flight (e.g., for the purpose of avalanche control).

12.4.3.1 Each AOC holder shall prepare and keep current a manual containing operational guidelines and handling procedures for the use and guidance of flight, maintenance and ground personnel concerned in the dispensing or expending of dangerous goods.

12.4.3.2 No person, other than a required flight crew member, or person necessary for handling or dispensing the dangerous goods, shall be carried on the aircraft.

12.4.3.3 The AOC holder of the aircraft shall have prior permission for the dispensing or expending of dangerous goods from the owners of any airport to be used.

12.5 PROVISION OF INFORMATION

The AOC holder shall ensure that all personnel, including third-party personnel, involved in the acceptance, handling, loading and unloading of cargo are informed of the AOC holder's specific approval and limitations with regard to the transport of dangerous goods.

12.6 DOMESTIC COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORT OPERATIONS

The requirements set forth in IS 009 shall be applied by all domestic commercial air transport operations.

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SECTION III**

INTERNATIONAL GENERAL AVIATION

CHAPTER 1.

GENERAL

Although the Convention on International Civil Aviation allocates to the DGCA certain functions which that Sri Lanka is entitled to discharge, or obligated to discharge, as the case may be, the Assembly recognized, in Resolution A23-13 that the DGCA shall be unable to fulfil its responsibilities adequately in instances where aircraft are leased, chartered or interchanged — in particular without crew — by the AOC holder of another State and that the Convention may not adequately specify the rights and obligations of the DGCA in such instances until such time as Article 83 bis of the Convention enters into force. Accordingly, the Council urged that if, in the above-mentioned instances, the State of Registry finds itself unable to discharge adequately the functions allocated to it by the Convention, it delegate to the DGCA, subject to acceptance by the latter State, those functions of the State of Registry that can more adequately be discharged by the DGCA. It was understood that pending entry into force of Article 83 bis of the Convention the foregoing action would only be a matter of practical convenience and would not affect either the provisions of the Chicago Convention prescribing the duties of the State of Registry or any third State. However, as Article 83 bis of the Convention entered into force on 20 June 1997, such transfer agreements will have effect in respect of Contracting States which have ratified the related Protocol (Doc 9318) upon fulfilment of the conditions established in Article 83 bis.

In the case of international operations effected jointly with helicopters not all of which are registered in the same Contracting State, nothing in this Part of the Annex prevents the States concerned entering into an agreement for the joint exercise of the functions placed upon the State of Registry by the provisions of the relevant Annexes.

1.1 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES

1.1.1 The pilot-in-command shall comply with the relevant laws, regulations and procedures of the States in which the helicopter is operated.

Rules covering flight over the high seas are contained in IS 004.

1.1.2 The pilot-in-command shall be responsible for the operation and safety of the helicopter and for the safety of all crew members, passengers and cargo on board, from the moment the engine(s) are started until the helicopter finally comes to rest at the end of the flight, with the engine(s) shut down and the rotor blades stopped.

1.1.3 If an emergency situation which endangers the safety of the helicopter or persons necessitates the taking of action which involves a violation of local regulations or procedures, the pilot-in-command shall notify the appropriate local authority without delay. If required by the State in which the incident occurs, the pilot-in-command shall submit a report on any such violation to the appropriate authority of such State; in that event, the pilot-in-command shall also submit a copy of it to the State of Registry. Such reports shall be submitted as soon as possible and normally within ten days.

1.1.4 The pilot-in-command shall be responsible for notifying the nearest appropriate authority by the quickest available means of any accident involving the helicopter, resulting in serious injury or death of any person or substantial damage to the helicopter or property.

A definition of the term “serious injury” is contained in SLCAP 9999.

1.1.5 The pilot-in-command should have available on board the helicopter essential information concerning the search and rescue services in the areas over which it is intended the helicopter will be flown.

1.2 DANGEROUS GOODS

1.2.1 General applicability

Provisions for carriage of dangerous goods are contained in IS 009.

Due to the differences in the type of operations carried out by helicopters, compared with aeroplanes, some additional considerations need to be made when dangerous goods are carried by helicopter, as described in Helicopter Operations in the Technical Instruction for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284), Part 7, Chapter 7, Section 1;1. SLCAP 4400 and IS 009

1.2.2 Applicability

1.2.2.1 The provisions of the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (IS 009) also apply to the acceptance for carriage, loading and carriage of dangerous goods in any general aviation helicopter.

1.3 USE OF PSYCHOACTIVE SUBSTANCES

Provisions concerning the use of psychoactive substances are contained in IS 035.

1.4 SPECIFIC APPROVALS

The pilot-in-command shall not conduct operations for which a specific approval is required unless such approval has been issued by the DGCA. Specific approvals shall follow the layout and contain at least the information listed in Appendix 5

CHAPTER 2.

FLIGHT OPERATIONS

2.1 ADEQUACY OF OPERATING FACILITIES

The pilot-in-command shall not commence a flight unless it has been ascertained by every reasonable means available that the ground and/or water facilities available and directly required for such flight and for the safe operation of the helicopter are adequate including communication facilities and navigation aids.

“Reasonable means” in this Standard is intended to denote the use, at the point of departure, of information available to the pilot-in-command either through official information published by the aeronautical information services or readily obtainable from other sources.

2.2 HELIPORT OR LANDING LOCATION OPERATING MINIMA

2.2.1 The pilot-in-command shall establish operating minima in accordance with criteria specified by the DGCA for each heliport or landing location to be used in operations. Such minima shall not be lower than any that may be established by the State of the Aerodrome, except when specifically approved by that State.

This Standard does not require the State of the Aerodrome to establish operating minima.

2.2.1.1 The DGCA may approve operational credit(s) for operations advanced aircraft. Where the operational credit relates to low visibility operations, DGCA shall issue a specific approval. Such authorizations shall not affect the classification of the instrument approach procedure.

Operational credit includes:

- a) for the purposes of an approach ban (2.6.3.2) or dispatch considerations, a minima minimum below the heliport or landing location aerodrome operating minima;
- b) Reducing or satisfying the visibility requirements; or
- c) Requiring fewer ground facilities as compensated for by airborne capabilities.

Guidance on operational credit and how to express the operational credit in the specific approvals template is contained in Attachment G and in the Manual of All-Weather Operations SLCAP 4510

Information regarding a HUD or equivalent displays, including references to RTCA and EUROCAE documents, is contained in the Manual of All-Weather Operations SLCAP 4510

Automatic landing system — helicopter is an automatic approach using airborne systems which provide automatic control of the flight path, to a point aligned with the landing surface, from which the pilot can transition to a safe landing by means of natural vision without the use of automatic control.

2.2.1.2 When issuing a specific approval for the operational credit, the DGCA shall ensure that:

- a) the aircraft meets the appropriate airworthiness certification requirements;

- b) the information necessary to support effective crew tasks for the operation is appropriately available to both pilots where the number of flight crew members specified in the operations manual (or other documents associated with the certificate of airworthiness) is more than one;
- c) the AOC holder /owner has carried out a safety risk assessment of the operations supported by the equipment;
- d) the AOC holder /owner has established and documented normal and abnormal procedures and MEL;
- e) the AOC holder /owner has established a training programme for the flight crew members and relevant personnel involved in the flight preparation;
- f) the AOC holder /owner has established a system for data collection, evaluation and trend monitoring for low visibility operations for which there is an operational credit; and
- g) the AOC holder has instituted appropriate procedures in respect of continuing airworthiness (maintenance and repair) practices and programmes.

Guidance on safety risk assessments is contained in the Safety Management Systems IS 070.

Guidance on operational approvals is contained in the Manual of All-Weather Operations SLCAP 4510

2.2.1.3 For operations with operational credit with minima above those related to low visibility operations, the DGCA shall establish criteria for the safe operation of the aircraft.

Guidance on operational credit for operations with minima above those related to low visibility operations is contained in the Manual of All-Weather Operations SLCAP 4510.

2.3 BRIEFING

2.3.1 The pilot-in-command shall ensure that crew members and passengers are made familiar, by means of an oral briefing or by other means, with the location and the use of:

- a) Seat belts or harnesses; and, as appropriate,
- b) Emergency exits;
- c) Life jackets;
- d) Oxygen dispensing equipment; and
- e) Other emergency equipment provided for individual use, including passenger emergency briefing cards.

2.3.2 The pilot-in-command shall ensure that all persons on board are aware of the location and general manner of use of the principal emergency equipment carried for collective use.

2.4 HELICOPTER AIRWORTHINESS AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

A flight shall not be commenced until the pilot-in-command is satisfied that:

- a) The helicopter is airworthy, duly registered and that appropriate certificates with respect thereto are aboard the helicopter;
- b) The instruments and equipment installed in the helicopter are appropriate, taking into account the expected flight conditions;
- c) Any necessary maintenance has been performed in accordance with Chapter 6;
- d) The mass of the helicopter and center of gravity location are such that the flight can be conducted safely, taking into account the flight conditions expected;
- e) Any load carried is properly distributed and safely secured; and
- f) The helicopter operating limitations contained in the flight manual, or its equivalent, will not be exceeded.

2.5 WEATHER REPORTS AND FORECASTS

Before commencing a flight the pilot-in-command shall be familiar with all available meteorological information appropriate to the intended flight. Preparation for a flight away from the vicinity of the place of departure, and for every flight under IFR, shall include: 1) a study of available current weather reports and forecasts; and 2) the planning of an alternative course of action to provide for the eventuality that the flight cannot be completed as planned, because of weather conditions.

2.6 LIMITATIONS IMPOSED BY WEATHER CONDITIONS

2.6.1 Flight in accordance with VFR

A flight, except one of purely local character in visual meteorological conditions, to be conducted in accordance with VFR shall not be commenced unless current meteorological reports, or a combination of current reports and forecasts, indicate that the meteorological conditions along the route, or that part of the route to be flown under VFR, will, at the appropriate time, be such as to enable compliance with these rules.

2.6.2 Flight in accordance with IFR

2.6.2.1 When an alternate is required. A flight to be conducted in accordance with IFR shall not be commenced unless the available information indicates that conditions, at the heliport of intended landing and at least one alternate heliport will, at the estimated time of arrival, be at or above the heliport operating minima.

2.6.2.2 When no alternate is required. A flight to be conducted in accordance with IFR to a heliport when no alternate heliport is required shall not be commenced unless available current meteorological information indicates that the following meteorological conditions will exist from two hours before to two hours after the estimated time of arrival, or from the actual time of departure to two hours after the estimated time of arrival, whichever is the shorter period:

- a) a cloud base of at least 120 m (400 ft) above the minimum associated with the instrument approach procedure; and
- b) Visibility of at least 1.5 km more than the minimum associated with the procedure.

2.6.3 Heliport operating minima

2.6.3.1 A flight shall not be continued towards the heliport of intended landing unless the latest available meteorological information indicates that conditions at that heliport, or at least one alternate heliport, will, at the estimated time of arrival, be at or above the specified heliport operating minima.

2.6.3.2 An instrument approach shall not be continued below 300 m (1 000 ft) above the heliport elevation or into the final approach segment unless the reported visibility or controlling RVR is at or above the heliport operating minima.

2.6.3.3 If, after entering the final approach segment or after descending below 300 m (1 000 ft) above the heliport elevation, the reported visibility or controlling RVR falls below the specified minimum, the approach may be continued to DA/H or MDA/H. In any case, a helicopter shall not continue its approach-to-land beyond a point at which the limits of the heliport operating minima would be infringed.

2.6.4 Flight in icing conditions

A flight to be operated in known or expected icing conditions shall not be commenced unless the helicopter is certificated and equipped to cope with such conditions.

2.7 ALTERNATE HELIPORTS

2.7.1 For a flight to be conducted in accordance with IFR, at least one alternate heliport or landing location shall be specified in the operational flight plan and the flight plan, unless:

- a) The weather conditions in 2.6.2.2 prevail; or
- b)
 - 1) the heliport or landing location of intended landing is isolated and no alternate heliport or landing location is available; and
 - 2) An instrument approach procedure is prescribed for the isolated heliport of intended landing; and
 - 3) A point of no return (PNR) is determined in case of an offshore destination.

2.7.2 Suitable offshore alternates may be specified subject to the following:

- a) The offshore alternates shall be used only after passing a PNR. Prior to a PNR, onshore alternates shall be used;
- b) Mechanical reliability of critical control systems and critical components shall be considered and taken into account when determining the suitability of the alternate;

- c) One engine inoperative performance capability shall be attainable prior to arrival at the alternate;
- d) To the extent possible, deck availability shall be guaranteed; and
- e) Weather information must be reliable and accurate.

2.7.3 Offshore alternates should not be used when it is possible to carry enough fuel to have an onshore alternate. Offshore alternates should not be used in a hostile environment.

2.8 FUEL AND OIL REQUIREMENTS

2.8.1 All helicopters. A flight shall not be commenced unless, taking into account both the meteorological conditions and any delays that are expected in flight, the helicopter carries sufficient fuel and oil to ensure that it can safely complete the flight. In addition, a reserve shall be carried to provide for contingencies.

2.8.2 VFR operations. The fuel and oil carried in order to comply with 2.8.1 shall, in the case of VFR operations, be at least the amount to allow the helicopter to:

- a) Fly to the landing site to which the flight is planned;
- b) Have a final reserve fuel to fly thereafter for a period of 20 minutes at best-range speed; and
- c) Have an additional amount of fuel to provide for the increased consumption on the occurrence of potential contingencies, as determined by the State and specified in the State regulations governing general aviation.

2.8.3 IFR operations. The fuel and oil carried in order to comply with 2.8.1 shall, in the case of IFR operations, be at least the amount to allow the helicopter:

2.8.3.1 When no alternate is required, in terms of 2.6.2.2, to fly to and execute an approach at the heliport or landing location to which the flight is planned, and thereafter to have:

- a) a final reserve fuel to fly 30 minutes at holding speed at 450 m (1 500 ft) above the destination heliport or landing location under standard temperature conditions and approach and land; and
- b) An additional amount of fuel to provide for the increased consumption on the occurrence of potential contingencies.

2.8.3.2 When an alternate is required, in terms of 2.6.2.1, to fly to and execute an approach, and a missed approach, at the heliport or landing location to which the flight is planned, and thereafter:

- a) Fly to and execute an approach at the alternate specified in the flight plan; and then
- b) Have a final reserve fuel to fly for 30 minutes at holding speed at 450 m (1 500 ft) above the alternate under standard temperature conditions, and approach and land; and

- c) Have an additional amount of fuel to provide for the increased consumption on the occurrence of potential contingencies.

2.8.3.3 When no alternate heliport or landing location is available (i.e. the heliport of intended landing is isolated and no alternate is available), to fly to the heliport to which the flight is planned and thereafter for a period as specified by the DGCA.

2.8.4 In computing the fuel and oil required in 2.8.1, at least the following shall be considered:

- a) Meteorological conditions forecast;
- b) Expected air traffic control routings and traffic delays;
- c) For IFR flight, one instrument approach at the destination heliport, including a missed approach;
- d) The procedures for loss of pressurization, where applicable, or failure of one engine while en route; and
- e) Any other conditions that may delay the landing of the helicopter or increase fuel and/or oil consumption.

2.8.5 The use of fuel after flight commencement for purposes other than originally intended during pre-flight planning shall require a re-analysis and, if applicable, adjustment of the planned operation.

2.9 IN-FLIGHT FUEL MANAGEMENT

2.9.1 The pilot-in-command shall monitor the amount of usable fuel remaining on board to ensure it is not less than the fuel required to proceed to a landing site where a safe landing can be made with the planned final reserve fuel remaining.

The protection of final reserve fuel is intended to ensure safe landing at any heliport or landing location when unforeseen occurrences may not permit a safe completion of an operation as originally planned.

2.9.2 The pilot-in-command shall advise ATC of a minimum fuel state by declaring MINIMUM FUEL when, having committed to land at a specific landing site, the pilot calculates that any change to the existing clearance to that landing site, or other air traffic delays, may result in landing with less than the planned final reserve fuel.

2.9.3 The pilot-in-command shall declare a situation of fuel emergency by broadcasting MAYDAY MAYDAY MAYDAY FUEL, when the usable fuel estimated to be available upon landing at the nearest landing site where a safe landing can be made is less than the required final reserve fuel in compliance with 2.8.

2.10 OXYGEN SUPPLY

Approximate altitudes in the Standard Atmosphere corresponding to the values of absolute pressure used in the text are as follows:

Absolute pressure	Metres	Feet
700 hPa	3 000	10 000
620 hPa	4 000	13 000

2.10.1 A flight to be operated at altitudes at which the atmospheric pressure in personnel compartments will be less than 700 hPa shall not be commenced unless sufficient stored breathing oxygen is carried to supply:

- a) All crew members and 10 per cent of the passengers for any period in excess of 30 minutes that the pressure in compartments occupied by them will be between 700 hPa and 620 hPa;
- b) The crew and passengers for any period that the atmospheric pressure in compartments occupied by them will be less than 620 hPa.

2.10.2 A flight to be operated with a pressurized helicopter shall not be commenced unless a sufficient quantity of stored breathing oxygen is carried to supply all the crew members and a proportion of the passengers, as is appropriate to the circumstances of the flight being undertaken, in the event of loss of pressurization, for any period that the atmospheric pressure in any compartment occupied by them would be less than 700 hPa.

2.11 USE OF OXYGEN

All flight crew members, when engaged in performing duties essential to the safe operation of a helicopter in flight, shall use breathing oxygen continuously whenever the circumstances prevail for which its supply has been required in 2.10.1 or 2.10.2.

2.12 IN-FLIGHT EMERGENCY INSTRUCTION

In an emergency during flight, the pilot-in-command shall ensure that all persons on board are instructed in such emergency action as may be appropriate to the circumstances.

2.13 WEATHER REPORTING BY PILOTS

When weather conditions likely to affect the safety of other aircraft are encountered, they should be reported as soon as possible.

2.14 HAZARDOUS FLIGHT CONDITIONS

Hazardous flight conditions, other than those associated with meteorological conditions, encountered en route should be reported as soon as possible. The reports so rendered should give such details as may be pertinent to the safety of other aircraft.

2.15 FITNESS OF FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS

The pilot-in-command shall be responsible for ensuring that a flight:

- a) Will not be commenced if any flight crew member is incapacitated from performing duties by any cause such as injury, sickness, fatigue, the effects of alcohol or drugs; and

- b) Will not be continued beyond the nearest suitable heliport when flight crew members' capacity to perform functions is significantly reduced by impairment of faculties from causes such as fatigue, sickness, lack of oxygen.

2.16 FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS AT DUTY STATIONS

2.16.1 Take-off and landing

All flight crew members required to be on flight deck duty shall be at their stations.

2.16.2 En route

All flight crew members required to be on flight deck duty shall remain at their stations except when their absence is necessary for the performance of duties in connection with the operation of the helicopter, or for physiological needs.

2.16.3 Seat belts

All flight crew members shall keep their seat belt fastened when at their stations.

2.16.4 Safety harness

When safety harnesses are provided, any flight crew member occupying a pilot's seat should keep the safety harness fastened during the take-off and landing phases; all other flight crew members should keep their safety harness fastened during the take-off and landing phases unless the shoulder straps interfere with the performance of their duties, in which case the shoulder straps may be unfastened but the seat belt must remain fastened.

Safety harness includes shoulder strap(s) and a seat belt which may be used independently.

2.17 INSTRUMENT FLIGHT PROCEDURES

2.17.1 One or more instrument approach procedures designed to support instrument approach operations shall be approved and promulgated by the State in which the heliport is located, or by the State which is responsible for the heliport when located outside the territory of any State, to serve each final approach and take-off area or heliport utilized for instrument flight operations.

2.17.2 All helicopters operated in accordance with IFR shall comply with the instrument approach procedures approved by the State in which the heliport is located, or by the State which is responsible for the heliport when located outside the territory of any State.

2.18 INSTRUCTION — GENERAL

A helicopter rotor shall not be turned under power for the purpose of flight without a qualified pilot at the controls.

2.19 REFUELLING WITH PASSENGERS ON BOARD OR ROTORS TURNING

2.19.1 A helicopter should not be refuelled when passengers are embarking, on board or disembarking or when the rotor is turning unless it is attended by the pilot-in-command or other qualified

personnel ready to initiate and direct an evacuation of the helicopter by the most practical and expeditious means available.

- 2.19.2 When refuelling with passengers embarking, on board or disembarking, two-way communications should be maintained by helicopter inter-communications system or other suitable means between the ground crew supervising the refuelling and the pilot-in-command or other qualified personnel required by 2.19.1.

2.20 OVER-WATER FLIGHTS

All helicopters on flights over water in a hostile environment in accordance with 4.3.1 shall be certificated for ditching. Sea state shall be an integral part of ditching information.

CHAPTER 3.

HELICOPTER PERFORMANCE OPERATING LIMITATIONS

- 3.1 A helicopter shall be operated:
- a) In compliance with the terms of its airworthiness certificate or equivalent approved document;
 - b) Within the operating limitations prescribed by the certificating authority of the DGCA; and
 - c) within the mass limitations imposed by compliance with the applicable noise certification Standards in IS 081, unless otherwise authorized, in exceptional circumstances for a certain heliport where there is no noise disturbance problem, by the competent authority of the State in which the heliport is situated.
- 3.2 Placards, listings, instrument markings, or combinations thereof, containing those operating limitations prescribed by the certificating authority of the DGCA for visual presentation, shall be displayed in the helicopter.
- 3.3 Where helicopters are operating to or from heliports in a congested hostile environment, the competent authority of the State in which the heliport is situated shall take such precautions as are necessary to control the risk associated with an engine failure.

Guidance is provided in Attachment A , 2.4 of this IS.

CHAPTER 4.

HELICOPTER INSTRUMENTS, EQUIPMENT AND FLIGHT DOCUMENTS

Specifications for the provision of helicopter communication and navigation equipment are contained in Chapter 5.

4.1 ALL HELICOPTERS ON ALL FLIGHTS

4.1.1 General

In addition to the minimum equipment necessary for the issuance of a certificate of airworthiness, the instruments, equipment and flight documents prescribed in the following paragraphs shall be installed or carried, as appropriate, in helicopters according to the helicopter used and to the circumstances under which the flight is to be conducted. The prescribed instruments and equipment, including their installation, shall be approved or accepted by the DGCA.

4.1.2 Instruments

A helicopter shall be equipped with instruments which will enable the flight crew to control the flight path of the helicopter, carry out any required procedural manoeuvre, and observe the operating limitations of the helicopter in the expected operating conditions.

4.1.3 Equipment

4.1.3.1 A helicopter shall be equipped with or carry on board:

- a) An accessible first-aid kit;
- b) Portable fire extinguishers of a type which, when discharged, will not cause dangerous contamination of the air within the helicopter. At least one shall be located in:
 - 1) The pilot's compartment; and
 - 2) Each passenger compartment that is separate from the pilot's compartment and that is not readily accessible to the flight crew;

Refer to 4.1.3.2 for fire extinguishing agents.

- c)
 - 1) a seat or berth for each person over 24 months age.
 - 2) A seat belt for each seat and restraining belts for each berth; for infants under 24 months should be provided by a suitable Kangaroo belt.
- d) The following manuals, charts and information:
 - 1) The flight manual, FOM or other documents or information concerning any operating limitations prescribed for the helicopter by the DGCA required for the application of Chapter 3;

- 2) Any specific approval issued by the DGCA, if applicable, for the operation(s) to be conducted;
 - 3) Current and suitable charts for the route of the proposed flight and all routes along which it is reasonable to expect that the flight may be diverted;
 - 4) Procedures, as prescribed in ICAO Annex 2, for pilots-in-command of intercepted aircraft; IS 26
 - 5) A list of visual signals for use by intercepting and intercepted aircraft, as contained in ICAO Annex 2 and further details in IS 026
 - 6) The journey log book for the helicopter; and
- e) If fuses are used, spare electrical fuses of appropriate ratings for replacement of those accessible in flight.

4.1.3.2 Any agent used in a built-in fire extinguisher for each lavatory disposal receptacle for towels, paper or waste in a helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 31 December 2011 and any extinguishing agent used in a portable fire extinguisher in a helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 31 December 2016 shall:

- a) Meet the applicable minimum performance requirements of the DGCA; and
- b) Not be of a type listed in the 1987 Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer as it appears in the Eighth Edition of the Handbook for the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, Annex A, Group II.

4.1.3.3 All helicopters on all flights should be equipped with the ground-air signal codes for search and rescue purposes.

4.1.3.4 All helicopters on all flights should be equipped with a safety harness for each flight crew member seat.

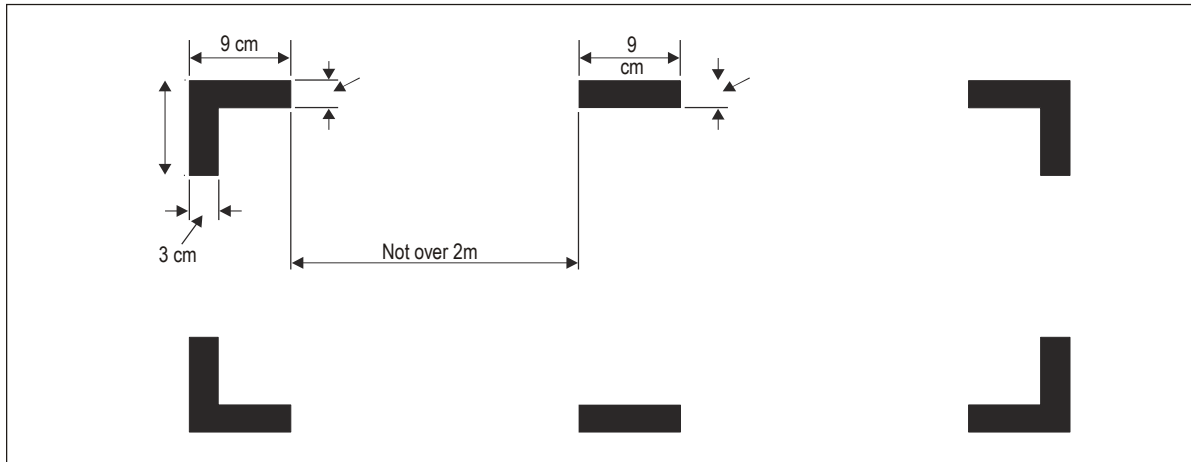
Safety harness includes shoulder strap(s) and a seat belt which may be used independently.

4.1.4 Marking of break-in points

4.1.4.1 If areas of the fuselage suitable for break-in by rescue crews in an emergency are marked on a helicopter, such areas shall be marked as shown below (see figure following). The colour of the markings shall be red or yellow, and if necessary they shall be outlined in white to contrast with the background.

4.1.4.2 If the corner markings are more than 2 m apart, intermediate lines 9 cm × 3 cm shall be inserted so that there is no more than 2 m between adjacent markings.

This Standard does not require any helicopter to have break-in areas.



MARKING OF BREAK-IN POINTS (see 4.1.4)

4.2 INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT FOR FLIGHTS OPERATED UNDER VFR AND IFR — BY DAY AND NIGHT

The flight instrument requirements in 4.2.1, 4.2.2 and 4.2.3 may be met by combinations of instruments or by electronic displays.

4.2.1 All helicopters when operating in accordance with VFR by day shall be:

- a) Equipped with:
 - 1) A magnetic compass;
 - 2) A sensitive pressure altimeter;
 - 3) An airspeed indicator;
 - 4) Such additional instruments or equipment as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority; and
- b) Equipped with, or shall carry, a means of measuring and displaying the time in hours, minutes and seconds.

4.2.2 All helicopters when operating in accordance with VFR at night shall be equipped with:

- a) The equipment specified in 4.2.1;
- b) An attitude indicator (artificial horizon) for each required pilot;
- c) A slip indicator;
- d) A heading indicator (directional gyroscope);
- e) A rate of climb and descent indicator;

- f) Such additional instruments or equipment as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority; and the following lights:
- g) The lights required by ICAO Annex 2 for aircraft in flight or operating on the movement area of a heliport;

The general characteristics of the lights are specified in ICAO Annex 8.

- h) A landing light;
- i) Illumination for all flight instruments and equipment that are essential for the safe operation of the helicopter;
- j) Lights in all passenger compartments; and
- k) A flashlight for each crew member station.

4.2.2.1 The landing light should be trainable, at least in the vertical plane.

4.2.3 All helicopters, when operating in accordance with IFR, or when the helicopter cannot be maintained in a desired attitude without reference to one or more flight instruments, shall be:

- a) Equipped with:
 - 1) A magnetic compass;
 - 2) A sensitive pressure altimeter;

Due to the long history of misreadings, the use of drum-pointer altimeters is not recommended.

- 3) An airspeed indicating system with a means of preventing malfunctioning due to either condensation or icing;
- 4) A slip indicator;
- 5) An attitude indicator (artificial horizon) for each required pilot and one additional attitude indicator;
- 6) A heading indicator (directional gyroscope);
- 7) A means of indicating whether the supply of power to the gyroscopic instruments is adequate;
- 8) A means of indicating on the flight deck the outside air temperature;
- 9) A rate of climb and descent indicator;
- 10) Such additional instruments or equipment as may be prescribed by the appropriate authority;
- 11) If operated by night, the lights specified in 4.2.2 g) to k) and 4.2.2.1; and

- b) Equipped with, or shall carry, a means of measuring and displaying the time in hours, minutes and seconds.

4.3 ALL HELICOPTERS ON FLIGHTS OVER WATER

4.3.1 Means of flotation

All helicopters intended to be flown over water shall be fitted with a permanent or rapidly deployable means of flotation so as to ensure a safe ditching of the helicopter when:

- a) Engaged in offshore operations or other over-water operations as prescribed by the DGCA; or
- b) Flying at a distance from land specified by the DGCA.

When determining the distance from land referred to in 4.3.1, consideration should be given to environmental conditions and the availability of search and rescue facilities.

4.3.2 Emergency equipment

4.3.2.1 Helicopters operating in accordance with the provisions of 4.3.1 shall be equipped with:

- a) One life jacket, or equivalent individual flotation device, for each person on board, stowed in a position easily accessible from the seat of the person for whose use it is provided;
- b) when not precluded by consideration related to the type of helicopter used, life-saving rafts in sufficient numbers to carry all persons on board, stowed so as to facilitate their ready use in emergency, provided with such life-saving equipment including means of sustaining life as is appropriate to the flight to be undertaken; and
- c) Equipment for making the pyrotechnical distress signals described in IS 029

4.3.2.2 When taking off or landing at a heliport where, in the opinion of the DGCA, the take-off or approach path is so disposed over water that in the event of a mishap there would be likelihood of a ditching, at least the equipment required in 4.3.2.1 a) shall be carried.

4.3.2.3 Each life jacket and equivalent individual flotation device, when carried in accordance with this 4.3, shall be equipped with a means of electric illumination for the purpose of facilitating the location of persons.

4.3.2.4 On any helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1991, at least 50 per cent of the life rafts carried in accordance with the provisions of 4.3.2 should be deployable by remote control.

4.3.2.5 Rafts which are not deployable by remote control and which have a mass of more than 40 kg should be equipped with some means of mechanically assisted deployment.

4.3.2.6 On any helicopter for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was first issued before 1 January 1991, the provisions of 4.3.2.4 and 4.3.2.5 should be complied with no later than 31 December 1992.

4.4 ALL HELICOPTERS ON FLIGHTS OVER DESIGNATED LAND AREAS

Helicopters, when operated across land areas which have been designated by the State concerned as areas in which search and rescue would be especially difficult, shall be equipped with such signalling devices and life-saving equipment (including means of sustaining life) as may be appropriate to the area overflown.

4.5 ALL HELICOPTERS ON HIGH ALTITUDE FLIGHTS

4.5.1 Unpressurized helicopters

Unpressurized helicopters intended to be operated at high altitudes shall carry equipment for storing and dispensing the oxygen supplies required in 2.9.1.

4.5.2 Pressurized helicopters

Pressurized helicopters intended to be operated at high altitudes should carry emergency oxygen storage and dispensing equipment capable of storing and dispensing the oxygen supplies required in 2.9.2.

4.6 ALL HELICOPTERS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE NOISE CERTIFICATION STANDARDS IN ICAO ANNEX 16, VOLUME I & 084

All helicopters required to comply with the noise certification Standards as per IS 084, shall carry a document attesting noise certification. When the document, or a suitable statement attesting noise certification as contained in another document approved by the State of Registry, is issued in a language other than English, it shall include an English translation.

The attestation may be contained in any document, carried on board, approved by the DGCA in accordance with the relevant provisions of IS 084.

The various noise certification Standards of IS 084, which are applicable to helicopters are determined according to the date of application for a type certificate, or the date of acceptance of an application under an equivalent prescribed procedure by the certificating authority. Some helicopters are not required to comply with any noise certification Standard. For details see IS 084.

4.7 FLIGHT RECORDERS

Crash-protected flight recorders comprise one or more of the following systems:

- a flight data recorder (FDR),
- a cockpit voice recorder (CVR),
- an airborne image recorder (AIR) ;
- a data link recorder (DLR).

Image and data link information may be recorded on either the CVR or the FDR.

Combination recorders (FDR/CVR) may be used to meet the flight recorder equipage requirements in IS 063.

Detailed requirements on flight recorders are contained in Appendix 4 of this IS.

Lightweight flight recorders comprise one or more of the following systems:

- an aircraft data recording system (ADRS);;
- a cockpit audio recording system (CARS);;
- an airborne image recording system (AIRS);;
- a data link recording system (DLRS).

Image and data link information may be recorded on either the CARS or the ADRS.

4.7.1 Flight data recorders and aircraft data recording systems

Parameters to be recorded are listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4 of this IS.

4.7.1.1 Applicability

4.7.1.1.1 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 3 175 kg for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 2016 shall be equipped with an FDR which shall record at least the first 48 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4.

4.7.1.1.2 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 7 000 kg, or having a passenger seating configuration of more than nineteen, for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1989 shall be equipped with an FDR which shall record at least the first 30 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4.

4.7.1.1.3 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of 3 175 kg, up to and including 7 000 kg, for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1989 should be equipped with an FDR which should record at least the first 15 parameters listed in Table A4-1 of Appendix 4.

4.7.1.2 Recording technology

FDRs shall not use engraving metal foil, frequency modulation (FM), photographic film or magnetic tape.

4.7.1.3 Duration

All FDRs shall retain the information recorded during at least the last 10 hours of their operation.

4.7.2 Cockpit voice recorders and cockpit audio recording systems

4.7.2.1 Applicability

4.7.2.1.1 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 7 000 kg shall be equipped with a CVR. For helicopters not equipped with an FDR, at least main rotor speed shall be recorded on the CVR.

4.7.2.1.2 All helicopters of a maximum certificated take-off mass of over 3 175 kg for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 1987 should be equipped with a CVR. For helicopters not equipped with an FDR, at least main rotor speed should be recorded on the CVR.

4.7.2.2 Recording technology

CVRs shall not use magnetic tape or wire.

4.7.2.3 Duration

All helicopters required to be equipped with a CVR shall be equipped with a CVR which shall retain the information recorded during at least the last 2 hours of its operation.

4.7.3 Data link recorders

4.7.3.1 Applicability

4.7.3.1.1 All helicopters for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 2016, which use any of the data link communications applications referred to in 5.1.2 of Appendix 4 and are required to carry a CVR, shall record the data link communications messages on a crash-protected flight recorder

4.7.3.1.2 All helicopters for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was first issued before 1 January 2016, that are required to carry a CVR and are modified on or after 1 January 2016 to use any of the data link communications applications referred to in 5.1.2 of Appendix 4, shall record the data link communications messages on a crash-protected flight recorder unless the data link communications equipment is compliant with a type design or aircraft modification first approved prior to 1 January 2016.

A Class B AIR could be a means for recording data link communications applications messages to and from the helicopters where it is not practical or prohibitively expensive to record those data link communications applications messages on FDR or CVR.

All helicopters for which the individual certificate of airworthiness was first issued before 1 January 2016, that are required to carry a CVR and are modified on or after 1 January 2016 to use any of the data link communications applications referred to in 5.1.2 of Appendix 4, should record the data link communications messages on a crash-protected flight recorder.

4.7.3.2 Duration

The minimum recording duration shall be equal to the duration of the CVR.

4.7.3.3 Correlation

Data link recording shall be able to be correlated to the recorded cockpit audio.

4.7.4 Flight recorders — general

4.7.4.1 Construction and installation

Flight recorders shall be constructed, located and installed so as to provide maximum practical protection for the recordings in order that the recorded information may be preserved, recovered and transcribed. Flight recorders shall meet the prescribed crashworthiness and fire protection specifications.

4.7.4.2 Operation

4.7.4.2.1 Flight recorders shall not be switched off during flight time.

4.7.4.2.2 To preserve flight recorder records, flight recorders shall be deactivated upon completion of flight time following an accident or incident. The flight recorders shall not be reactivated before their disposition as determined in accordance with SLCAP 9999.

The need for removal of the flight recorder records from the aircraft will be determined by the investigation authority in the State conducting the investigation with due regard to the seriousness of an occurrence and the circumstances, including the impact on the operation.

The AOC holder /owner's responsibilities regarding the retention of flight recorder records are contained in Section II, 9.6.

4.7.4.3 Continued serviceability

Operational checks and evaluations of recordings from the flight recorder systems shall be conducted to ensure the continued serviceability of the recorders.

Procedures for the inspections of the flight recorder systems are given in Appendix 4 of this IS.

4.7.4.4 Flight recorders electronic documentation

The documentation requirement concerning FDR parameters provided by the AOC holder /owners to accident investigation authorities should be in electronic format and take account of industry specifications.

4.8 EMERGENCY LOCATOR TRANSMITTER (ELT)

4.8.1 From 1 July 2008, all helicopters operating in performance Class 1 and 2 shall be equipped with at least one automatic ELT and, when operating on flights over water as described in 4.3.1 a), with at least one automatic ELT and one ELT(S) in a raft or life jacket.

4.8.2 From 1 July 2008, all helicopters operating in performance Class 3 shall be equipped with at least one automatic ELT and, when operating on flights over water as described in 4.3.1 b), with at least one automatic ELT and one ELT(S) in a raft or life jacket.

4.8.3 ELT equipment carried to satisfy the requirements of 4.8.1 and 4.8.2 shall operate in accordance with the relevant provisions of ICAO Annex 10, Volume III.

The judicious choice of numbers of ELTs, their type and placement on aircraft and associated floatable life support systems will ensure the greatest chance of ELT activation in the event of an accident for aircraft operating over water or land, including areas especially difficult for search and rescue. Placement of transmitter units is a vital factor in ensuring optimal crash and fire protection. The

placement of the control and switching devices (activation monitors) of automatic fixed ELTs and their associated operational procedures will also take into consideration the need for rapid detection of inadvertent activation and convenient manual switching by crew members.

4.9 HELICOPTERS REQUIRED TO BE EQUIPPED WITH A PRESSURE-ALTITUDE REPORTING TRANSPONDER

4.9.1 From 1 January 2003, unless exempted by the appropriate authorities, all helicopters shall be equipped with a pressure-altitude reporting transponder which operates in accordance with the relevant provisions of IS 064..

4.9.2 All helicopters should be equipped with a pressure-altitude reporting transponder which operates in accordance with the relevant provisions of IS 064.

The provisions in 4.9.1 and 4.9.2 are intended to support the effectiveness of ACAS as well as to improve the effectiveness of air traffic services. Effective dates for carriage requirements of ACAS are contained in Annex 6, Part I, 6.19.1 and 6.19.2. The intent is also for aircraft not equipped with pressure-altitude reporting transponders to be operated so as not to share airspace used by aircraft equipped with airborne collision avoidance systems. To this end, exemptions from the carriage requirement for pressure-altitude reporting transponders could be given by designating airspace where such carriage is not required.

4.10 MICROPHONES

All flight crew members required to be on flight deck duty should communicate through boom or throat microphones.

4.11 HELICOPTERS EQUIPPED WITH AUTOMATIC LANDING SYSTEMS, A HEAD-UP DISPLAY (HUD) OR EQUIVALENT DISPLAYS, ENHANCED VISION SYSTEMS (EVS), SYNTHETIC VISION SYSTEMS (SVS) AND/OR COMBINED VISION SYSTEMS (CVS)

4.11.1 Notwithstanding Chapter 2, 2.2.1.1 to 2.2.1.3, where helicopters are equipped with automatic landing systems, a HUD or equivalent displays, EVS, SVS or CVS, or any combination of those systems into a hybrid system, criteria for the use of such systems for the safe operation of a helicopter shall be established by the DGCA.

Information regarding automatic landing systems a HUD or equivalent displays, EVS, SVS or CVS is contained in the SLCAP 4510 -Manual of All-Weather Operations.

Automatic landing system — helicopter is an automatic approach using airborne systems which provide automatic control of the flight path, to a point aligned with the landing surface, from which the pilot can transition to a safe landing by means of natural vision without the use of automatic control.

4.12 ELECTRONIC FLIGHT BAGS (EFBS)

Guidance on EFB equipment, functions and establishing criteria for their operational use is contained in the Manual on Electronic Flight Bags (EFBs) IS 027.

4.12.1 EFB equipment

Where portable EFBs are used on board a helicopter, the pilot-in-command and the owner shall ensure that they do not affect the performance of the helicopter systems, equipment or the ability to operate the helicopter.

4.12.2 EFB functions

4.12.2.1 Where EFBs are used on board a helicopter the pilot-in-command and/or the owner shall:

- a) Assess the safety risk(s) associated with each EFB function;
- b) Establish the procedures for the use of, and training requirements for, the device and each EFB function; and
- c) Ensure that, in the event of an EFB failure, sufficient information is readily available to the flight crew for the flight to be conducted safely.

4.12.2.2 The DGCA shall establish criteria for the operational use of EFB functions to be used for the safe operation of helicopters.

4.12.3 EFB specific approval

When issuing a specific approval for the operational use of EFBs, the DGCA shall ensure that:

- a) The EFB equipment and its associated installation hardware, including interaction with helicopter systems if applicable, meet the appropriate airworthiness certification requirements;
- b) The owner has assessed the risks associated with the operations supported by the EFB function(s);
- c) The owner has established requirements for redundancy of the information (if appropriate) contained and displayed by the EFB function(s);
- d) The owner has established and documented procedures for the management of the EFB function(s) including any databases it may use; and
- e) The owner has established and documented the procedures for the use of, and training requirements for, the EFB function(s).

Guidance on safety risk assessments is contained in the Safety Management Manual (SMM) (Doc 9859)

4.13 HELICOPTER OPERATED UNDER AN ARTICLE 83 *BIS* AGREEMENT

4.13.1 A helicopter, when operating under an Article 83 *bis* agreement, entered into between the State of Registry and the State of the principal location of a general aviation operator, shall carry a certified true copy of the agreement summary, in either an electronic or hard copy format. When the summary is issued in a language other than English, an English translation shall be included.

Guidance regarding the agreement summary is contained in IS 004.

4.13.2 The agreement summary of an Article 83 *bis* agreement shall be accessible to a civil aviation safety inspector to determine which functions and duties are transferred by the State of Registry to the

State of the principal location of a general aviation AOC holder under the agreement, when conducting surveillance activities such as ramp checks.

Guidance for the civil aviation safety inspector conducting an inspection of an aeroplane operated under an Article 83 bis agreement is contained in the Manual of Procedures for Operations Inspection, Certification and Continued Surveillance in SLCAP 4100.

4.13.3 The agreement summary shall be transmitted to ICAO together with the Article 83 *bis* Agreement for registration with the ICAO Council by the DGCA or the State of the principal location of a general aviation operator.

The agreement summary transmitted with the Article 83 bis agreement registered with the ICAO Council contains the list of all aircraft affected by the agreement. However, the certified true copy to be carried on board as per 4.13.1 will need to list only the specific aircraft carrying the copy.

4.13.4 The agreement summary should contain the information in Appendix 7 for the specific aircraft and should follow the layout of Appendix 7 paragraph 3.

CHAPTER 5.

HELICOPTER COMMUNICATION, NAVIGATION AND SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

5.1 COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

5.1.1 Helicopter shall be provided with radio communication equipment capable of:

- a) conducting two-way communication for heliport control purposes;
- b) receiving meteorological information at any time during flight; and conducting two-way communication at any time during flight with at least one aeronautical station and with such other aeronautical stations and on such frequencies as may be prescribed by the DGCA.

The requirements of 5.1.1 are considered fulfilled if the ability to conduct the communications specified therein is established during radio propagation conditions which are normal for the route.

5.1.2 The radio communication equipment required in accordance with 5.1.1 shall provide for communications on the aeronautical emergency frequency 121.5 MHz.

5.1.3 For operations where communication equipment is required to meet an RCP specification for performance-based communication (PBC), a helicopter shall, in addition to the requirements specified in 5.1.1:

- a) be provided with communication equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the prescribed RCP specification(s);
- b) have information relevant to the helicopter RCP specification capabilities listed in the flight manual or other helicopter documentation approved by the State of Design or State of Registry; and
- c) have information relevant to the helicopter RCP specification capabilities included in the MEL.

Information on the performance-based communication and surveillance (PBCS) concept and guidance material on its implementation are contained in the Performance-based Communication and Surveillance (PBCS) Manual (Doc 9869).

5.1.4 The DGCA shall, for operations where an RCP specification for PBC has been prescribed, ensure that the operator has established and documented:

- a) normal and abnormal procedures, including contingency procedures;
- b) flight crew qualification and proficiency requirements, in accordance with appropriate RCP specifications;
- c) a training programme for relevant personnel consistent with the intended operations; and

d) appropriate maintenance procedures to ensure continued airworthiness, in accordance with appropriate RCP specifications.

5.1.5 The DGCA shall ensure that, in respect of those helicopters mentioned in 5.1.3, adequate provisions exist for:

a) receiving the reports of observed communication performance issued by monitoring programmes established in accordance with Annex 11, Chapter 3, 3.3.5.2; and

b) taking immediate corrective action for individual helicopters, helicopter types or operators, identified in such reports as not complying with the RCP specification(s).

5.2 NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT

5.2.1 A helicopter shall be provided with navigation equipment which will enable it to proceed:

a) In accordance with its flight plan; and

b) In accordance with the requirements of air traffic services;

Except when, if not so precluded by the appropriate authority, navigation for flights under VFR is accomplished by visual reference to landmarks.

5.2.2 For operations where a navigation specification for performance-based navigation (PBN) SLCAP 4520 has been prescribed, a helicopter shall, in addition to the requirements specified in 5.2.1:

a) Be provided with navigation equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the prescribed navigation specification(s); and

b) have information relevant to the helicopter navigation specification capabilities listed in the flight manual or other helicopter documentation approved by the DGCA; and

c) have information relevant to the helicopter navigation specification capabilities included in the MEL

Guidance on helicopter documentation is contained in the SLCAP 4520-Performance-based Navigation (PBN) Manual.

5.2.3 DGCA shall establish criteria for operations where a navigation specification for PBN has been prescribed.

5.2.4 In establishing criteria for operations where a navigation specification for PBN has been prescribed, the DGCA shall require that the operator/owner establish:

a) Normal and abnormal procedures, including contingency procedures;

b) Flight crew qualification and proficiency requirements, in accordance with the appropriate navigation specifications;

- c) Training for relevant personnel consistent with the intended operations; and
- d) Appropriate maintenance procedures to ensure continued airworthiness, in accordance with the appropriate navigation specifications.

Guidance on safety risks and mitigations for PBN operations, in accordance with IS 070, are contained in the Performance-based Navigation (PBN) Operational Approval Manual SLCAP 4520

Electronic navigation data management is an integral part of normal and abnormal procedures.

5.2.5 The helicopter shall be sufficiently provided with navigation equipment to ensure that, in the event of the failure of one item of equipment at any stage of the flight, the remaining equipment will enable the helicopter to navigate in accordance with 5.2.1 and, where applicable, 5.2.2.

5.2.6 On flights in which it is intended to land in instrument meteorological conditions, a helicopter shall be provided with appropriate navigation equipment providing guidance to a point from which a visual landing can be effected. This equipment shall be capable of providing such guidance at each heliport at which it is intended to land in instrument meteorological conditions and at any designated alternate heliports.

5.3 SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

5.3.1 A helicopter shall be provided with surveillance equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the requirements of air traffic services.

5.3.2 For operations where surveillance equipment is required to meet an RSP specification for performance-based surveillance (PBS), a helicopter shall, in addition to the requirements specified in 5.3.1:

- a) Be provided with surveillance equipment which will enable it to operate in accordance with the prescribed RSP specification(s);
- b) Have information relevant to the helicopter RSP specification capabilities listed in the flight manual or other helicopter documentation approved by the State of Design or DGCA; and
- c) Where the helicopter is operated in accordance with a MEL, have information relevant to the helicopter RSP specification capabilities included in the MEL.

Information on RSP specifications for performance-based surveillance is contained in the Performance-based Communication and Surveillance (PBCS) Manual (Doc 9869).

5.3.3 DGCA shall establish criteria for operations where an RSP specification for PBS has been prescribed. Ensure that the operator has established and documented:

- a) normal and abnormal procedures, including contingency procedures;
- b) flight crew qualification and proficiency requirements, in accordance with appropriate RSP specifications;
- c) a training programme for relevant personnel consistent with the intended operations; and
- d) appropriate maintenance procedures to ensure continued airworthiness, in accordance with appropriate RSP specifications.

- 5.3.4 The DGCA shall ensure that, in respect of those helicopters mentioned in 5.3.2, adequate provisions exist for:
- a) receiving the reports of observed surveillance performance issued by monitoring programmes established in accordance with IS 025, Chapter 3, 3.3.5.2; and
 - b) taking immediate corrective action for individual helicopter, helicopter types or operators, identified in such reports as not complying with the RSP specification(s).

5.4 INSTALLATION

The equipment installation shall be such that the failure of any single unit required for communication, navigation or surveillance purposes, or any combination thereof, will not result in the failure of another unit required for communication, navigation or surveillance purposes.

5.5 ELECTRONIC NAVIGATION DATA MANAGEMENT

- 5.5.1 The operator shall not employ electronic navigation data products that have been processed for application in the air and on the ground, unless the DGCA has approved the operator's procedures for ensuring that the process applied and the products delivered have met acceptable standards of integrity and that the products are compatible with the intended function of the existing equipment DGCA shall ensure that the operator continues to monitor both the process and products.
- 5.5.2 The operator shall implement procedures that ensure the timely distribution and insertion of current and unaltered electronic navigation data to all necessary aircraft.

CHAPTER 6.

HELICOPTER MAINTENANCE

6.1 MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES

6.1.1 The owner of a helicopter, or in the case where it is leased, the lessee, shall ensure that:

- a) The helicopter is maintained in an airworthy condition;
- b) The operational and emergency equipment necessary for the intended flight is serviceable;
- c) The certificate of airworthiness of the helicopter remains valid; and
- d) The maintenance of the helicopter is performed in accordance with a maintenance programme acceptable to the DGCA.

6.1.2 Until 4 November 2020, the helicopter shall not be operated unless it is maintained and released to service under a system acceptable to the DGCA. As of 5 November 2020, the owner or the lessee shall not operate the helicopter unless maintenance on the helicopter, including any associated engine, rotor and part, is carried out:

- a). by an organization complying with Annex 8, Part II, Chapter 6 that is either approved by the State of Registry of the helicopter or is approved by another Contracting State and is accepted by the DGCA; or
- b). by a person or organization in accordance with procedures that are authorized by the DGCA; and there is a maintenance release in relation to the maintenance carried out.

6.1.3 Until 4 November 2020, when the maintenance release is not issued by an organization approved in accordance IS 080, the person signing the maintenance release shall be licensed in accordance with IS 066.

6.2 MAINTENANCE RECORDS*

6.2.1 The owner shall ensure that the following records are kept for the periods mentioned in 6.2.2:

- a) The total time in service hours, calendar time and cycles, as appropriate of the helicopter and all life-limited components;
- b) The current status of compliance with all mandatory continuing airworthiness information;
- c) Appropriate details of modifications and repairs to the helicopter;
- d) The time in service (hours, calendar time and cycles, as appropriate) since last overhaul of the helicopter or its components subject to a mandatory overhaul life;
- e) The current status of the helicopter's compliance with the maintenance programme; and

f) The detailed maintenance records to show that all requirements for signing of a maintenance release have been met.

6.2.2 The records in 6.2.1 a) to e) shall be kept for a minimum period of 90 days after the unit to which they refer has been permanently withdrawn from service, and the records in 6.2.1 f) for a minimum period of one year after the signing of the maintenance release.

6.2.3 The lessee of a helicopter shall comply with the requirements of 6.2.1 and 6.2.2, as applicable, while the helicopter is leased.

6.2.4 As of 5 November 2020, records kept and transferred in accordance with 6.2 shall be maintained in a form and format that ensures readability, security and integrity of the records at all times.

The form and format of the records may include, for example, paper records, film records, electronic records or any combination thereof.

Guidance regarding electronic aircraft continuing airworthiness records is included in the IS 080.

6.3 CONTINUING AIRWORTHINESS INFORMATION

The owner of a helicopter over 3 175 kg maximum certificated take-off mass, or in the case where it is leased, the lessee, shall, as required by the DGCA, ensure that the information resulting from maintenance and operational experience with respect to continuing airworthiness is transmitted as required by IS 080.

6.4 MODIFICATIONS AND REPAIRS

All modifications and repairs shall comply with airworthiness requirements acceptable to the DGCA. Procedures shall be established to ensure that the substantiating data supporting compliance with the airworthiness requirements are retained.

6.5 MAINTENANCE RELEASE

6.5.1 Until 4 November 2020, a maintenance release shall be completed and signed, as prescribed by the DGCA, to certify that the maintenance work performed has been completed satisfactorily.

As of 5 November 2020, when maintenance is carried out by an approved maintenance organization, the maintenance release shall be issued by the approved maintenance organization in accordance with the provisions of Annex 8, Part II, 6.8.

6.5.2 As of 5 November 2020, when maintenance is not carried out by an approved maintenance organization, the maintenance release shall be completed and signed, by a person appropriately licensed in accordance with Annex 1 to certify that the maintenance work performed has been completed satisfactorily and in accordance with data and procedures acceptable to the DGCA.

6.5.2.1 Until 4 November 2020, a maintenance release shall contain a certification including:

a) Basic details of the maintenance carried out;

- b) The date such maintenance was completed;
- c) When applicable, the identity of the approved maintenance organization; and
- c) The identity of the person or persons signing the release.

6.5.3 As of 5 November 2020, when maintenance is not carried out by an approved maintenance organization, the maintenance release shall include the following:

- a) Basic details of the maintenance carried out;
- b) The date such maintenance was completed; and
- c) The identity of the person or persons signing the release.

CHAPTER 7.

HELICOPTER FLIGHT CREW

7.1 COMPOSITION OF THE FLIGHT CREW

7.1.1 The number and composition of the flight crew shall not be less than that specified in the operations manual. The flight crews shall include flight crew members in addition to the minimum numbers specified in the flight manual or other documents associated with the certificate of airworthiness, when necessitated by considerations related to the type of helicopter used, the type of operation involved and the duration of flight between points where flight crews are changed.

7.1.2 The flight crew shall include at least one member authorized by the DGCA to operate the type of radio transmitting equipment to be used.

7.2 FLIGHT CREW MEMBER EMERGENCY DUTIES

The operator shall, for each type of helicopter, assign to all flight crew members the necessary functions they are to perform in an emergency or in a situation requiring emergency evacuation. Annual training in accomplishing these functions shall be contained in the operator's training programme and shall include instruction in the use of all emergency and life-saving equipment required to be carried, and drills in the emergency evacuation of the helicopter.

7.3 FLIGHT CREW MEMBER TRAINING PROGRAMMES

7.3.1 The operator shall establish and maintain a ground and flight training programme, approved by the DGCA, which ensures that all flight crew members are adequately trained to perform their assigned duties. The training programme shall:

- a) include ground and flight training facilities and properly qualified instructors as determined by the DGCA;
- b) consist of ground and flight training for the type(s) of helicopter on which the flight crew member serves;
- c) include proper flight crew coordination and training for all types of emergency and abnormal situations or procedures caused by engine, transmission, rotor, airframe or systems malfunctions, fire or other abnormalities;
- d) include training in knowledge and skills related to the visual and instrument flight procedures for the intended area of operation, human performance and threat and error management, the transport of dangerous goods and, where applicable, procedures specific to the environment in which the helicopter is to be operated;
- e) ensure that all flight crew members know the functions for which they are responsible and the relation of these functions to the functions of other crew members, particularly in regard to abnormal or emergency procedures;

- g) include training in knowledge and skills related to the operational use of head-up display and/or enhanced vision systems for those helicopters so equipped; and g) be given on a recurrent basis, as determined by the DGCA, and shall include an assessment of competence.

7.3.2 The requirement for recurrent flight training in a particular type of helicopter shall be considered fulfilled by:

- a) the use, to the extent deemed feasible by the DGCA, of flight simulation training devices approved by that State for that purpose; or
- b) the completion within the appropriate period of the proficiency check required by 7.4.3 in that type of helicopter.

7.4 QUALIFICATIONS

Procedures for Establishment and Management of Personnel Licensing System is mentioned in IS 072 for guidance of a general nature on cross-crew qualification, mixed-fleet flying and cross-credit.

7.4.1 Recent experience — pilot-in-command and co-pilot

7.4.1.1 The operator shall not assign a pilot-in-command or a co-pilot to operate at the flight controls of a type or variant of a type of a helicopter during take-off and landing unless that pilot has operated the flight controls during at least three take-offs and landings within the preceding 90 days on the same type of helicopter or in a flight simulator approved for 7.4.1.2 When a pilot-in-command or a co-pilot is flying several variants of the same type of helicopter or different types of helicopter with similar characteristics in terms of operating procedures, systems and handling, the DGCA shall decide under which conditions the requirements of 7.4.1.1 for each variant or each type of helicopter can be combined.

7.4.2 Pilot-in-command operational qualification

7.4.2.1 The operator shall not utilize a pilot as pilot-in-command of a helicopter on an operation for which that pilot is not currently qualified until such pilot has complied with 7.4.2.2 and 7.4.2.3.

7.4.2.2 Each such pilot shall demonstrate to the operator an adequate knowledge of:

- a) the operation to be flown. This shall include knowledge of:
 - 1) the terrain and minimum safe altitudes;
 - 2) the seasonal meteorological conditions;
 - 3) the meteorological, communication and air traffic facilities, services and procedures;
 - 4) the search and rescue procedures; and
 - 5) the navigation facilities and procedures associated with the route or area in which the flight is to take place; and
- b) procedures applicable to flight paths over heavily populated areas and areas of high air traffic density, obstructions, physical layout, lighting, approach aids and arrival, departure, holding and instrument approach procedures, and applicable operating minima.

- 7.4.2.3 A pilot-in-command shall have made a flight, representative of the operation with which the pilot is to be engaged which must include a landing at a representative heliport, as a member of the flight crew and accompanied by a pilot who is qualified for the operation.
- 7.4.2.4 The operator shall maintain a record, sufficient to satisfy the DGCA, of the qualification of the pilot and of the manner in which such qualification has been achieved.
- 7.4.2.5 The operator shall not continue to utilize a pilot as a pilot-in-command on an operation in an area specified by the operator and approved by the DGCA unless, within the preceding 12 months, the pilot has made at least one representative flight as a pilot member of the flight crew, or as a check pilot, or as an observer on the flight deck. In the event that more than 12 months elapse in which a pilot has not made such a representative flight, prior to again serving as a pilot in- command on that operation, that pilot must requalify in accordance with 7.4.2.2 and 7.4.2.3.

7.4.3 Pilot proficiency checks

- 7.4.3.1 The operator shall ensure that piloting technique and the ability to execute emergency procedures is checked in such a way as to demonstrate the pilot's competence on each type or variant of a type of helicopter. Where the operation may be conducted under IFR, the operator shall ensure that the pilot's competence to comply with such rules is demonstrated to either a check pilot of the operator or to a representative of DGCA. Such checks shall be performed as per IS 072.

APPENDIX 1.

SAFETY OVERSIGHT OF AIR OPERATORS (Section II, Chapter 2, 2.2.1.8, refers)

The IS 070 provides additional provisions for the safety oversight of international commercial air transport AOC holders.

APPENDIX 2.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR OPERATIONS OF HELICOPTERS IN PERFORMANCE CLASS 3 IN INSTRUMENT METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS (IMC) (Section II, Chapter 3, 3.4.1, refers)

Airworthiness and operations requirements provided in accordance with Section II, Chapter 3, 3.4.1, shall satisfy the following:

1. ENGINE RELIABILITY

1.1 Attaining and maintaining approval for engines used by helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC:

1.1.1 In order to attain initial approval for existing in-service engine types, reliability shall be shown to have a nominal power loss rate of less than 1 per 100 000 engine hours based on a risk management process.

Power loss in this context is defined as any significant loss of power, the cause of which may be traced to engine or engine component, design, maintenance or installation, including design or installation of the fuel ancillary or engine control systems. (See Attachment H of this IS.)

1.1.2 In order to attain initial approval for new engine types, the State of Design shall assess engine models for acceptance for operations in performance Class 3 in IMC on a case-by-case basis.

1.1.3 In order to maintain approval, the State of Design shall, through the continuing airworthiness process, ensure that engine reliability remains consistent with the intent of the Standard contained in 1.1.1.

1.2 The AOC holder shall be responsible for a programme for ongoing engine trend monitoring.

1.3 To minimize the probability of in-flight engine failure, the engine shall be equipped with:

- a) For turbine engines: a re-ignition system that activates automatically or a manually selectable continuous ignition system unless the engine certification has determined that such a system is not required, taking into consideration the likely environmental conditions in which the engine is to be operated;
- b) A magnetic particle detection or equivalent system that monitors the engine, accessories gearbox, and reduction gearbox, and which includes a flight deck caution indication; and
- c) A means that would permit continuing operation of the engine through a sufficient power range to safely complete the flight in the event of any reasonably probable failure of the fuel control unit.

2. SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT

Helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC shall be equipped with the following systems and equipment intended to ensure continued safe flight or to assist in achieving a safe forced landing after an engine failure, under all allowable operating conditions:

- a) Either two separate electrical generating systems, each one capable of supplying all probable combinations of continuous in-flight electrical loads for instruments, equipment and systems required in IMC; or a primary electrical source and a standby battery or other alternate source of electric power that is capable of supplying 150 per cent of electrical loads of all required instruments and equipment necessary for safe emergency operations of the helicopter for at least one hour; and
- b) An emergency electrical supply system of sufficient capacity and endurance, following loss of all normally generated power to, as a minimum:

If a battery is used to satisfy the requirement for a second power source (see 2 a) above), an additional electrical power supply may not be required.

- 1) Maintain the operation of all essential flight instruments, communication and navigation systems during a descent from the maximum certificated altitude in an auto rotational configuration to the completion of a landing;
 - 2) Maintain the operation of the stabilization system, if applicable;
 - 3) Lower the landing gear, if applicable;
 - 4) Where required, provide power to one pitot heater, which must serve an airspeed indicator clearly visible to the pilot;
 - 5) Provide for the operation of the landing light;
 - 6) Provide for one engine restart, if applicable; and
 - 7) Provide for the operation of the radio altimeter;
- c) A radio altimeter;
 - d) An autopilot if intended as a substitute for a second pilot. In these cases, the r shall ensure the AOC holder's approval clearly states any conditions or limitations on its use;
 - e) A means to provide for at least one attempt at engine re-start;
 - f) An area navigation system approved for use in IFR, capable of being used to locate suitable landing areas in the event of an emergency;
 - g) A landing light that is independent of retractable landing gear and is capable of adequately illuminating the touchdown area in a night forced landing; and
 - h) An engine fire warning system.

3. MINIMUM SERVICEABILITY REQUIREMENTS — OPERATING EQUIPMENT

The DGCA shall specify the minimum serviceability requirements for operating equipment in helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC.

4. OPERATIONS MANUAL INFORMATION

The operations manual shall include limitations, procedures, approval status and other information relevant to operations in performance Class 3 in IMC.

5. EVENT REPORTING

5.1 The AOC holder approved to conduct operations by helicopters in performance Class 3 in IMC shall report all significant failures, malfunctions or defects to the DGCA who in turn shall notify the State of Design.

5.2 The DGCA shall monitor operations in performance Class 3 in IMC so as to be able to take any actions necessary to ensure that the intended safety level is maintained. DGCA Shall notify major events or trends of particular concern to the appropriate type certificate holder and the State of Design.

6. OPERATOR PLANNING

AOC holder route planning shall take account of all relevant information in the assessment of intended routes or areas of operations, including the following:

- a) The nature of the terrain to be overflown, including the potential for carrying out a safe forced landing in the event of an engine failure or major malfunction;
- b) Weather information, including seasonal and other adverse meteorological influences that may affect the flight; and
- c) Other criteria and limitations as specified by the DGCA.

7. FLIGHT CREW EXPERIENCE, TRAINING AND CHECKING

7.1 The minimum flight crew experience for helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC is contained in IS-72.

7.2 The AOC holder's flight crew training and checking programme shall be appropriate to operations in performance Class 3 in IMC, covering normal, abnormal and emergency procedures and, in particular, detection of engine failure including descent to a forced landing in IMC and, for single engine helicopters, entry into a stabilized autorotation.

8. OPERATOR CERTIFICATION OR VALIDATION

The AOC holder shall demonstrate the ability to conduct operations in performance Class 3 in IMC through a certification and approval process specified by the DGCA.

APPENDIX 3.

**AIR OPERATOR CERTIFICATE (AOC)
(Section II, Chapter 2, 2.2.1.5 and 2.2.1.6, refers)**

Refer SLCAP 4100

APPENDIX 4.

FLIGHT RECORDERS

(Section II, Chapter 4, 4.3 and Section III, Chapter 4, 4.7, refer)

The material in this Appendix concerns flight recorders intended for installation in helicopters engaged in international air navigation. Crash protected flight recorders comprise one or more of the following:-

- a flight data recorder (FDR),
- a cockpit voice recorder (CVR),
- an airborne image recorder (AIR)
- a data link recorder (DLR).

When image or data link information is required to be recorded on a crash-protected flight recorder, it is permissible to record it on either the CVR or the FDR.

Lightweight flight recorders comprise one or more of the following systems:

- an aircraft data recording system (ADRS);
- a cockpit audio recording system (CARS);
- an airborne image recording system (AIRS);
- a data link recording system (DLRS).

When image or data link information is required to be recorded on a crash-protected flight recorder, it is permissible to record it on either the CARS or the ADRS

1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.1 Non-deployable flight recorder containers shall: be painted a distinctive orange colour.

1.2 Non-deployable crash-protected flight recorder containers shall:

- a) Carry reflective material to facilitate their location; and
- b) Have securely attached an automatically activated underwater locating device operating at a frequency of 37.5 kHz. At the earliest practical date, but not later than 1 January 2018, this device shall operate for a minimum of 90 days.

1.3 Automatic deployable flight recorder containers shall:

- a) Be painted a distinctive orange colour, however the surface visible from outside the helicopter may be of another colour;
- b) Carry reflective material to facilitate their location; and
- c) Have an integrated automatically activated ELT.

1.4 The flight recorder systems shall be installed so that:

- a) The probability of damage to the recordings is minimized;

- b) There is an aural or visual means for pre-flight checking that the flight recorder systems are operating properly; and
- c) If the flight recorder systems have a bulk erasure device, the installation shall be designed to prevent operation of the device during flight time or crash impact.
- d) Helicopters for which the individual certificate of airworthiness is first issued on or after 1 January 2023, a flight crew-operated erase function shall be provided on the flight deck which, when activated, modifies the recording of a CVR and AIR so that it cannot be retrieved using normal replay or copying techniques. The installation shall be designed to prevent activation during flight. In addition, the probability of an inadvertent activation of an erase function during an accident shall also be minimized.

The erase function is intended to prevent access to CVR and AIR recordings by normal replay or copying means, but would not prevent accident investigation authorities access to such recordings by specialized replay or copying techniques.

- 1.5 The crash-protected flight recorder system shall be installed so that they receive electrical power from a bus that provides the maximum reliability for operation of the flight recorder systems without jeopardizing service to essential or emergency loads.
- 1.6 The lightweight flight recorders shall be connected to a power source having the characteristics which ensure proper and reliable recording in the operational environment..
- 1.7 The flight recorder systems, when tested by methods approved by the appropriate certificating authority, shall be demonstrated to be suitable for the environmental extremes over which they are designed to operate.
- 1.8 Means shall be provided for an accurate time correlation between the flight recorder systems functions.
- 1.9 The flight recorder system manufacturer shall provide the appropriate certificating authority with the following information in respect of the flight recorder systems::
 - a) Manufacturer's operating instructions, equipment limitations and installation procedures;
 - b) Parameter origin or source and equations which relate counts to units of measurement; and
 - c) Manufacturer's test reports and.
 - d) detailed information to ensure the continued serviceability of the flight recorder system.
- 1.10 The holder of the airworthiness approval for the installation design of the flight recorder system shall make available the relevant continuing airworthiness information to the AOC holder of the helicopter to be incorporated in the continuing airworthiness maintenance programme. This continuing airworthiness information shall cover in detail all the tasks required to ensure the continued serviceability of the flight recorder system
 - a) manufacturer's operating instructions, equipment limitations and installation procedures;

- b) parameter origin or source and equations which relate counts to units of measurement; and
- c) manufacturer's test reports.; and
- d) detailed information to ensure the continued serviceability of the flight recorder system.

2. FLIGHT DATA RECORDER (FDR) AND AIRCRAFT DATA RECORDING SYSTEM (ADRS)

2.1 START AND STOP LOGIC

The FDR or ADRS shall start to record prior to the helicopter moving under its own power and record continuously until the termination of the flight when the helicopter is no longer capable of moving under its own power.

2.2 PARAMETERS TO BE RECORDED

2.2.1 The parameters that satisfy the requirements for FDRs, are listed in Table A4-1. The number of parameters to be recorded shall depend on helicopter complexity. The parameters without an asterisk (*) are mandatory parameters which shall be recorded regardless of helicopter complexity. In addition, the parameters designated by an asterisk (*) shall be recorded if an information data source for the parameter is used by helicopter systems or the flight crew to operate the helicopter. However, other parameters may be substituted with due regard to the helicopter type and the characteristics of the recording equipment.

2.2.2 The following parameters shall satisfy the requirements for flight path and speed:

- Pressure altitude
- Indicated airspeed
- Outside air temperature
- Heading
- Normal acceleration
- Lateral acceleration
- Longitudinal acceleration (body axis)
- Time or relative time count
- Navigation data*: drift angle, wind speed, wind direction, latitude/longitude
- Radio altitude*.

2.2.3 If further FDR recording capacity is available, recording of the following additional information shall be considered:

- a) additional operational information from electronic displays, such as electronic flight instrument systems (EFIS), electronic centralized aircraft monitor (ECAM) and engine indication and crew alerting system (EICAS); and
- b) Additional engine parameters (EPR, N1, fuel flow, etc.).

- 2.2.4 The parameters that satisfy the requirements for ADRS are the first 7 parameters listed in Table A4-3.
- 2.2.5 If further ADRS recording capacity is available, the recording of any parameters from 8 onwards defined in Table A4-3 shall be considered

2.3 Additional information

- 2.3.1 The measurement range, recording interval and accuracy of parameters on installed equipment is usually verified by methods approved by the appropriate certificating authority.
- 2.3.2 Documentation concerning parameter allocation, conversion equations, periodic calibration and other serviceability/maintenance information shall be maintained by the AOC holder /owner. The documentation shall be sufficient to ensure that accident investigation authorities have the necessary information to read out the data in engineering units.

3. COCKPIT VOICE RECORDER (CVR) AND COCKPIT AUDIO RECORDING SYSTEM (CARS)

3.1 START AND STOP LOGIC

The CVR or CARS shall start to record prior to the helicopter moving under its own power and record continuously until the termination of the flight when the helicopter is no longer capable of moving under its own power. In addition, depending on the availability of electrical power, the CVR or CARS shall start to record as early as possible during the cockpit checks prior to engine start at the beginning of the flight until the cockpit checks immediately following engine shutdown at the end of the flight.

3.2 SIGNALS TO BE RECORDED

3.2.1 The CVR shall record simultaneously on four separate channels, or more, at least the following:

- a) Voice communication transmitted from or received in the aircraft by radio;
- b) Aural environment on the flight deck;
- c) Voice communication of flight crew members on the flight deck using the interphone system, if installed;
- d) Voice or audio signals identifying navigation or approach aids introduced in the headset or speaker; and
- e) Voice communication of flight crew members using the passenger address system, if installed.

3.2.2 The preferred CVR audio allocation should be as follows:

- a) pilot-in-command audio panel;
- b) Co-pilot audio panel;
- c) Additional flight crew positions and time reference; and

d) Cockpit area microphone.

3.2.3 The CARS shall record simultaneously on two separate channels, or more, at least the following:

- a) Voice communication transmitted from or received in the helicopter by radio;
- b) Aural environment on the flight deck; and
- c) Voice communication of flight crew members on the flight deck using the helicopter's interphone²⁹ system, if installed.

3.2.4 The preferred CARS audio allocation should be as follows:

- a) Voice communication; and
- b) Aural environment on the flight deck.

4. AIRBORNE IMAGE RECORDER (AIR) AND AIRBORNE IMAGE RECORDING SYSTEM (AIRS)

4.1 START AND STOP LOGIC

The AIR or AIRS shall start to record prior to the helicopter moving under its own power and record continuously until the termination of the flight when the helicopter is no longer capable of moving under its own power. In addition, depending on the availability of electrical power, the AIR or AIRS shall start to record as early as possible during the cockpit checks prior to engine start at the beginning of the flight until the cockpit checks immediately following engine shutdown at the end of the flight.

4.2 CLASSES

4.2.1 A Class A AIR or AIRS captures the general cockpit area in order to provide data supplemental to conventional flight recorders.

To respect crew privacy, the cockpit area view may be designed as far as practical to exclude the head and shoulders of crew members whilst seated in their normal operating position.

There are no provisions for Class A AIRs or AIRS in this document.

4.2.2 A Class B AIR or AIRS captures data link message displays.

4.2.3 A Class C AIR or AIRS captures instruments and control panels.

A Class C AIR or AIRS may be considered as a means for recording flight data where it is not practical or is prohibitively expensive to record on an FDR, or where an FDR is not required.

5. DATA LINK RECORDER (DLR)

5.1 APPLICATIONS TO BE RECORDED

5.1.1 Where the helicopter flight path is authorized or controlled through the use of data link messages, all data link messages, both uplinks (to the helicopter) and downlinks (from the helicopter), shall be recorded on the helicopter. As far as practicable, the time the messages were displayed to the flight crew and the time of the responses shall to be recorded.

Sufficient information to derive the content of the data link communications message and the time the messages were displayed to the flight crew is needed to determine an accurate sequence of events on board the aircraft.

5.1.2 Messages applying to the applications listed in Table A4-2 shall be recorded. Applications without the asterisk (*) are mandatory applications which shall be recorded regardless of the system complexity. Applications with an (*) are to be recorded only as far as is practicable given the architecture of the system.

6. INSPECTIONS OF FLIGHT RECORDER SYSTEMS

6.1 Prior to the first flight of the day, the built-in test features for the flight recorders and flight data acquisition unit (FDAU), when installed, shall be monitored by manual and/or automatic checks.

6.2 FDR systems or ADRS, CVR systems or CARS, and AIR systems or AIRS shall have recording inspection intervals of one year; subject to the approval from the appropriate regulatory authority, this period may be extended to two years provided these systems have demonstrated a high integrity of serviceability and self-monitoring. DLR systems or DLRS shall have recording inspection intervals of two years; subject to the approval from the appropriate regulatory authority, this period may be extended to four years provided these systems have demonstrated high integrity of serviceability and self-monitoring.

6.3 Recording inspections shall be carried out as follows:

- a) An analysis of the recorded data from the flight recorders shall ensure that the recorder operates correctly for the nominal duration of the recording.
- b) the FDR or ADRS recording from a complete flight shall be examined in engineering units to evaluate the validity of all recorded parameters. Particular attention shall be given to parameters from sensors dedicated to the FDR or ADRS. Parameters taken from the aircraft's electrical bus system need not be checked if their serviceability can be detected by other aircraft systems;
- c) The readout facility shall have the necessary software to accurately convert the recorded values to engineering units and to determine the status of discrete signals;
- d) An examination of the recorded signal on the CVR or CARS shall be carried out by replay of the CVR or CARS recording. While installed in the aircraft, the CVR or CARS shall record test signals from each aircraft source and from relevant external sources to ensure that all required signals meet intelligibility standards
- e) Where practicable, during the examination, a sample of in-flight recordings of the CVR or CARS shall be examined for evidence that the intelligibility of the signal is acceptable; and
- f) An examination of the recorded images on the AIR or AIRS shall be carried out by replay of the AIR or AIRS recording. While installed in the aircraft, the AIR or AIRS shall record test images from each aircraft source and from relevant external sources to ensure that all required images meet recording quality standards.

- g) An examination of the recorded messages on the DLR or DLRS shall be carried out by replay of the DLR or DLRS recording
- 6.4 A flight recorder system shall be considered unserviceable if there is a significant period of poor quality data, unintelligible signals, or if one or more of the mandatory parameters is not recorded correctly.
- 6.5 A report of the recording inspection shall be made available on request to regulatory authorities for monitoring purposes.

6.6 CALIBRATION OF THE FDR SYSTEM:

- a) For those parameters which have sensors dedicated only to the FDR and are not checked by other means, recalibration shall be carried out at an interval determined by the continuing airworthiness information for the FDR system. In the absence of such information, a recalibration shall be carried out at least every five years. The recalibration shall determine any discrepancies in the engineering conversion routines for the mandatory parameters and to ensure that parameters are being recorded within the calibration tolerances; and
- b) When the parameters of altitude and airspeed are provided by sensors that are dedicated to the FDR system, there shall be a recalibration performed at an interval determined by the continuing airworthiness information for the FDR system. In the absence of such information, a recalibration shall be carried out at least every two years.

Table A4-1. Parameter Characteristics for Flight Data Recorders

Serial number	ParameterApplicability	Measurement range	Maximum sampling and recording interval (seconds)	Accuracy limits (sensor input compared to FDR readout)	Recording resolution
1	Time (UTC when available, otherwise relative time count or GNSS time sync)	24 hours	4	±0.125% /h	1 s
2	Pressure altitude	-300 m (-1 000 ft) to maximum certificated altitude of aircraft +1 500 m (+5 000 ft)	1	±30 m to ±200 m (±100 ft to ±700 ft)	1.5 m (5 ft)
3	Indicated airspeed	As the installed pilot display measuring system	1	±3%	1 kt
4	Heading	360°	1	±2°	0.5°
5	Normal acceleration	-3 g to +6 g	0.125	±0.09 g excluding a datum error of ±0.045 g	0.004 g
6	Pitch attitude	±75° or 100% of useable range whichever is greater	0.5	±2°	0.5°
7	Roll attitude	±180°	0.5	±2°	0.5°
8	Radio transmission keying	On-off (one discrete)	1	—	—
9	Power on each engine	Full range	1 (per engine)	±2%	0.1% of full range
10	Main rotor:				
	Main rotor speed	50–130%	0.51	±2%	0.3% of full range
	Rotor brake	Discrete		—	—
11	Pilot input and/or control surface position — primary controls (collective pitch, longitudinal cyclic pitch, lateral cyclic pitch, tail rotor pedal)	Full range	0.5 (0.25 recommended)	±2% unless higher accuracy uniquely required	0.5% of operating range
12	Hydraulics, each system (low pressure and selection)	Discrete	1	—	—
13	Outside air temperature	Sensor range	2	±2°C	0.3°C
14*	Autopilot/ autothrottle/AFCS mode and engagement status	A suitable combination of discretely	1	—	—
15*	Stability augmentation system engagement	Discrete	1	—	—
16*	Main gearbox oil pressure	As installed	1	As installed	6.895 kN/m ² (1 psi)
17*	Main gearbox oil temperature	As installed	2	As installed	1°C

Serial number	Parameter	Measurement range	Maximum sampling and recording interval (seconds)	Accuracy limits (sensor input compared to FDR readout)	Recording resolution
18	Yaw rate	±400°/second	0.25	±1.5% maximum range excluding datum error of ±5%	±2°/s
19*	Sling load force	0 to 200% of certified load	0.5	±3% of maximum range	0.5% for maximum
20	Longitudinal acceleration	±1 g	0.25	±0.015 g excluding a datum error of ±0.05 g	0.004 g
21	Lateral acceleration	±1 g	0.25	±0.015 g excluding a datum error of ±0.05 g	0.004 g
22*	Radio altitude	-6 m to 750 m (-20 ft to 2 500 ft)	1	±0.6 m (±2 ft) or ±3% whichever is greater below 150 m (500 ft) and ±5% above 150 m (500 ft)	0.3 m (1 ft) below 150 m (500 ft), 0.3 m (1 ft) + 0.5% of full range above 150 m (500 ft)
23*	Vertical beam deviation	Signal range	1	±3%	0.3% of full range
24*	Horizontal beam deviation	Signal range	1	±3%	0.3% of full range
25	Marker beacon passage	Discrete	1	—	—
26	Warnings	Discrete(s)	1	—	—
27	Each navigation receiver frequency selection	Sufficient to determine selected	4	As installed	—
28*	DME 1 and 2 distances	0-370 km (0-200 NM)	4	As installed	1 852 m (1 NM)
29*	Navigation data (latitude/longitude, ground speed, drift angle, wind speed, wind direction)	As installed	2	As installed	As installed
30*	Landing gear and gear selector position	Discrete	4	—	—
31*	Engine exhaust gas temperature (T ₄)	As installed	1	As installed	
32*	Turbine inlet temperature (TIT/ITT)	As installed	1	As installed	
33*	Fuel contents	As installed	4	As installed	
34*	Altitude rate	As installed	1	As installed	
35*	Ice detection	As installed	4	As installed	
36*	Helicopter health and usage monitor system	As installed	—	As installed	—
37	Engine control modes	Discrete	1	—	—
38*	Selected barometric setting (pilot and co-pilot)	As installed	64 (4 recommended)	As installed	0.1 mb (0.01 in Hg)

Serial number	Parameter	Measurement range	Maximum sampling and recording interval (seconds)	Accuracy limits (sensor input compared to FDR readout)	Recording resolution
39*	Selected altitude (all pilot selectable modes of operation)	As installed	1	As installed	Sufficient to determine crew selection
40*	Selected speed (all pilot selectable modes of operation)	As installed	1	As installed	Sufficient to determine crew selection
41*	Selected Mach (all pilot selectable modes of operation)	As installed	1	As installed	Sufficient to determine crew selection
42*	Selected vertical speed (all pilot selectable modes of operation)	As installed	1	As installed	Sufficient to determine crew selection
43*	Selected heading (all pilot selectable modes of operation)	As installed	1	As installed	Sufficient to determine crew selection
44*	Selected flight path (all pilot selectable modes of operation)	As installed	1	As installed	Sufficient to determine crew selection
45*	Selected decision height	As installed	4	As installed	Sufficient to determine crew selection
46*	EFIS display format (pilot and co-pilot)	Discrete(s)	4	—	—
47*	Multi-function/ engine/alerts display format	Discrete(s)	4	—	—
48*	Event marker	Discrete	1	—	—

49*	GPWS/TAWS/GCAS status (selection of terrain display mode including pop-up display status) and (terrain alerts, both cautions and warnings, and advisories) and (on/off switch position) and (operational status)	Application for type certification is submitted to a Contracting State on or after 1 January 2023	Discrete(s)	1	As installed	
50*	TCAS/ACAS (traffic alert and collision avoidance system) and (operational status)	Application for type certification is submitted to a Contracting State on or after 1 January 2023	Discrete(s)	1	As installed	
51*	Primary flight controls – pilot input forces	Application for type certification is submitted to a Contracting State on or	Full range	0.125 (0.0625 recommended)	± 3% unless higher accuracy is uniquely required	0.5% of operating range

Serial number	Parameter	Applicability	Measurement range	Maximum sampling and recording interval (seconds)	Accuracy limits (sensor input compared to FDR readout)	Recording resolution
52*	Computed centre of gravity	Application for type certification is submitted to a Contracting State on or after 1 January 2023	As installed	64	As installed	1% of full range
53*	Helicopter computed weight	Application for type certification is submitted to a Contracting State on or after 1 January 2023	As installed	64	As installed	1% of full range

Table A4-2. Description of Applications for Data Link Recorders

Item No.	Application type	Application description	Recording content
1	Data link initiation	This includes any applications used to log on to or initiate data link service. In FANS-1/A and ATN, these are ATS facilities notification (AFN) and context management (CM) respectively.	C
2	Controller/pilot communication	This includes any application used to exchange requests, clearances, instructions and reports between the flight crew and Controllers on the ground. In FANS-1/A and ATN, this includes the CPDLC application. It also includes applications used for the exchange of oceanic (OCL) and departure clearances (DCL) as well as data link delivery of taxi clearances.	C
3	Addressed surveillance	This includes any surveillance application in which the ground sets up contracts for delivery of surveillance data. In FANS-1/A and ATN, this includes the automatic dependent surveillance — contract (ADS-C) application. Where parametric data are reported within the message they shall be recorded unless data from the same source are recorded on the FDR.	C
4	Flight information	This includes any service used for delivery of flight information to specific aircraft. This includes, for example, data link aviation weather report service (D-METAR), data link-automatic terminal service (D-ATIS), digital Notice to Airmen (D-NOTAM) and other textual data link services.	C
5	Aircraft broadcast surveillance	This includes elementary and enhanced surveillance systems, as well as automatic dependent surveillance — broadcast (ADS-B) Output data. Where parametric data sent by the helicopter are reported within the message they shall be recorded unless data from the same source are recorded on the FDR.	M*
6	Aeronautical operational control data	This includes any application transmitting or receiving data used for aeronautical operational control purposes (per the ICAO Definition of operational control).	M*

Key:

C: Complete contents recorded.

M: Information that enables correlation to any associated records stored separately from the helicopter.

*: Applications that are to be recorded only as far as is practicable given the architecture of the system.

Table A4-3. Parameter Characteristics for Aircraft Data Recording Systems

N°	Parameter name	Minimum recording range	Maximum recording interval in seconds	Minimum recording accuracy	Minimum recording resolution	Remarks
1	Heading:					
	a) Heading (Magnetic or True)	±180°	1	±2°	0.5°	*Heading is preferred, if not available, yaw rate shall be recorded
	b) Yaw rate	±300°/s	0.25	±1% + drift of 360°/h	2°/s	
2	Pitch:					
	a) Pitch attitude	±90°	0.25	±2°	0.5°	*Pitch attitude is preferred, if not available, pitch rate shall be recorded
	b) Pitch rate	±300°/s	0.25	±1% + drift of 360°/h	2°/s	
3	Roll:					
	a) Roll attitude	±180°	0.25	±2°	0.5°	*Roll attitude is preferred, if not available, roll rate shall be recorded
	b) Roll rate	±300°/s	0.25	±1% + drift of 360°/h	2°/s	

N°	Parameter name	Minimum recording range	Maximum recording interval in seconds	Minimum recording accuracy	Minimum recording resolution	Remarks
4	Positioning system:					
	a) Time	24 hours	1	±0.5°	0.1°	UTC time preferred where available
	b) Latitude/longitude	Latitude:±90° Longitude:±180°	2 (1 if available)	As installed (0.00015° recommended)	0.00005°	
	c) Altitude	-300 m (-1 000 ft) to maximum certificated altitude of aircraft +1 500 m (5 000 ft)	2 (1 if available)	As installed (±15 m (±50 ft) recommended)	1.5 m (5 ft)	
	d) Ground speed	0-1 000 kt	2 (1 if available)	As installed (±5 kt recommended)	1 kt	
	e) Track	0-360°	2 (1 if available)	As installed (± 2° recommended)	0.5°	
	f) Estimated error	Available range	2 (1 if available)	As installed	As installed	Shall be recorded if readily available
5	Normal acceleration	-3 g to + 6 g	0.25 (0.125 if available)	As installed (±0.09 g excluding a datum error of ±0.05 g recommended)	0.004 g	

6	Longitudinal acceleration	±1 g	0.25 (0.125 if available)	As installed (±0.015 g excluding a datum error of ±0.05 g recommended)	0.004 g	
7	Lateral acceleration	±1 g	0.25 (0.125 if available)	As installed (±0.015 g excluding a datum error of ±0.05 g recommended)	0.004 g	
8	External static pressure (or pressure altitude)	34.4 hPa (1.02 in-Hg) to 310.2 hPa (9.16 in-Hg) or available sensor range	1	As installed (±1 hPa (0.3 in-Hg) or ±30 m (±100 ft) to ±210 m (±700 ft) recommended)	0.1 hPa (0.03 in-Hg) or 1.5 m (5 ft)	
9	Outside air temperature (or total air temperature)	-50° to +90°C or available sensor	2	As installed (±2°C)	1°C	

N°	Parameter name	Minimum recording range	Maximum recording interval in seconds	Minimum recording accuracy	Minimum recording resolution	Remarks
range	recommended)					
10	Indicated air speed	As the installed pilot display measuring system or available sensor range	1	As installed (±3% recommended)	1 kt (0.5 kt recommended)	
11	Main rotor speed (Nr)	50% to 130% or available sensor range	0.5	As installed	0.3% of full range	
12	Engine RPM (*)	Full range including overspeed condition	Each engine each second	As installed	0.2% of full range	*For piston engined helicopters
13	Engine oil pressure	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed (5% of full range recommended)	2% of full range	
14	Engine oil temperature	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed (5% of full range recommended)	2% of full range	
15	Fuel flow or pressure	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed	2% of full range	
16	Manifold pressure (*)	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed	0.2% of full range	*For piston engined helicopters
17	Engine thrust/power/torque parameters required to determine propulsive thrust/power*	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed	0.1% of full range	*Sufficient parameters e.g. EPR/N1 or torque/Np as appropriate to the particular engine shall be recorded to determine power. A margin for possible overspeed should be

						provided. Only for turbine engined helicopters.
18	Engine gas generator speed (Ng) (*)	0-150%	Each engine each second	As installed	0.2% of full range	*Only for turbine-engined helicopters
19	Free power turbine speed (Nf) (*)	0-150%	Each engine each second	As installed	0.2% of full range	*Only for turbine-engined helicopters
20	Collective pitch	Full range	0.5	As installed	0.1% of full range	
21	Coolant temperature (*)	Full range	1	As installed ($\pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ recommended)	1 $^{\circ}$ C	*Only for piston engined helicopters
22	Main voltage	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed	1 Volt	
23	Cylinder head temperature (*)	Full range	Each cylinder each second	As installed	2% of full range	*Only for piston engine

N $^{\circ}$	Parameter name	Minimum recording range	Maximum recording interval in seconds	Minimum recording accuracy	Minimum recording resolution	Remarks
						helicopters
24	Fuel quantity	Full range	4	As installed	1% of full range	
25	Exhaust gas temperature	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed	2% of full range	
26	Emergency voltage	Full range	Each engine each second	As installed	1 Volt	
27	Trim surface position	Full range or each discrete position	1	As installed	0.3% of full range	
28	Landing gear position	Each discrete position*	Each gear every two seconds	As installed		*Where available, record up-and locked and down and-locked position
29	Novel/unique aircraft features	As required	As required	As required	As required	

APPENDIX 5.
GENERAL AVIATION SPECIFIC APPROVALS
(Section III 1, 1.4, refers)

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APPENDIX 6.

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APPENDIX 7.

FATIGUE RISK MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (FRMS) REQUIREMENTS

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APPENDIX 8.

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ATTACHMENTS**

ATTACHMENT A.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES

Supplementary to Section II, Chapter 4, 4.2.2 a) First-aid kit

The following provides guidance on typical contents of a first-aid kit for carriage aboard a helicopter:

- List of contents
- Antiseptic swabs (10/pack)
- Bandage: adhesive strips
- Bandage: gauze 7.5 cm × 4.5 m
- Bandage: triangular; safety pins
- Dressing: burn 10 cm × 10 cm
- Dressing: compress, sterile 7.5 cm × 12 cm
- Dressing: gauze, sterile 10.4 cm × 10.4 cm
- Tape: adhesive 2.5 cm (roll)
- Steri-strips (or equivalent adhesive strip)
- Hand cleanser or cleansing towelettes
- Pad with shield, or tape, for eye
- Scissors: 10 cm (if allowed by national regulations)
- Tape: Adhesive, surgical 1.2 cm × 4.6 m
- Tweezers: splinter
- Disposable gloves (multiple pairs)
- Thermometers (non-mercury)
- Mouth-to-mouth resuscitation mask with one-way valve
- First-aid manual, current edition
- Incident record form

The following suggested medications can be included in the first-aid kits where permitted by national regulations:

- Mild to moderate analgesic
- Antiemetic
- Nasal decongestant
- Antacid
- Antihistamine

Universal precaution kit

A universal precaution kit should be carried on a helicopter that is required to operate with at least one cabin crew member. Such a kit may be used to clean up any potentially infectious body contents, such as blood, urine, vomit and faeces, and to protect the cabin crew who are assisting potentially infectious cases of suspected communicable disease.

Typical contents

- Dry powder that can convert small liquid spill into a sterile granulated gel
- Germicidal disinfectant for surface cleaning
- Skin wipes
- Face/eye mask (separate or combined)
- Gloves (disposable)
- Protective apron
- Large absorbent towel
- Pick-up scoop with scraper
- Bio-hazard disposal waste bag
- Instructions

ATTACHMENT B.

MINIMUM EQUIPMENT LIST (MEL)

Supplementary to Section II, Chapter 4, 4.1.3

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ATTACHMENT C.

AIR OPERATOR CERTIFICATION AND VALIDATION

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ATTACHMENT D.

FLIGHT SAFETY DOCUMENTS SYSTEM

Supplementary to Section II, Chapter 1, 1.3.6

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ATTACHMENT E.

ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE FOR OPERATIONS OF HELICOPTERS IN PERFORMANCE CLASS 3 IN INSTRUMENT METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS (IMC)

Supplementary to Section II, Chapter 3, 3.4 and Appendix 2

1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this attachment is to give additional guidance on the airworthiness and operational requirements described in Section II, Chapter 3, 3.4 and Appendix 2 of this IS, which have been designed to meet the overall level of safety intended for approved operations in performance Class 3 in IMC.

2. ENGINE RELIABILITY

2.1 The power loss rate required in Chapter 3, 3.4.1 and Appendix 2, paragraph 1 of this IS should be established based on data from commercial air transport operations supplemented by suitable data from other operations in similar theatres of operations. Service experience is needed on which to base the judgement, and this should include a number of hours, acceptable to the State of Design, on the actual helicopter/engine combination unless additional testing has been carried out or experience on sufficiently similar variants of the engine is available.

2.2 In assessing engine reliability, evidence should be derived from a world fleet database covering as large a sample as possible of operations considered to be representative, compiled by the appropriate type certificate holders and reviewed by the States of Design. Since flight hour reporting is not mandatory for many types of the AOC holder, appropriate statistical estimates may be used to develop the engine reliability data. Data for individual the AOC holders approved for these operations including trend monitoring and event reports should also be monitored and reviewed by the DGCA to ensure that there is no indication that the AOC holder's experience is unsatisfactory.

2.2.1 Engine trend monitoring should include the following:

- a) An oil consumption monitoring programme based on the manufacturer's recommendations; and
- b) an engine condition monitoring programme describing the parameters to be monitored, the method of data collection and the corrective action process; this should be based on the manufacturer's recommendations. The monitoring is intended to detect engine deterioration at an early stage to allow for corrective action before safe operation is affected.

2.22A reliability programme should be established covering the engine and associated systems. The engine programme should include engine hours flown in the period and the power loss rate for all causes established on an appropriate statistical basis. The event reporting process should cover all items relevant to the ability to operate safely in IMC. The data should be available for use by the type certificate holder and the State of Design so as to establish that the intended reliability levels are being achieved. Any sustained adverse trend should result in an immediate evaluation by the AOC holder in consultation with the State(s) of Design and type certificate holders with a view to determining actions to restore the intended safety level.

The actual period selected should reflect the global utilization and the relevance of the experience included (e.g. early data may not be relevant due to subsequent mandatory modifications which affected the power loss rate). After the introduction of a new engine variant and while global utilization is relatively low, the total available experience may have to be used to try to achieve a statistically meaningful average.

- 2.3 Power loss rate should be determined as a moving average over an appropriate period. Power loss rate, rather than in-flight shutdown rate, has been used as it is considered to be more appropriate for a helicopter operating in performance Class 3. If a failure occurs on a helicopter operating in performance Class 1 or 2 that causes a major, but not total, loss of power on one engine, it is likely that the engine will be shut down since positive engine-out performance is still available, whereas on a helicopter operating in performance Class 3 it may well be decided to make use of the residual power to stretch the glide distance.

3. OPERATIONS MANUAL

The operations manual should include all necessary information relevant to operations by helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC. This should include all of the additional equipment, procedures and training required for such operations, route and/or area of operation and likely landing area (including planning and operating minima).

4. OPERATOR CERTIFICATION OR VALIDATION

The operator certification or validation process specified by the DGCA should ensure the adequacy of the AOC holder's procedures for normal, abnormal and emergency operations, including actions following engine, systems or equipment failures. In addition to the normal requirements for operator certification or validation, the following items should be addressed in relation to operations by helicopters operating in performance Class 3 in IMC:

- a) Confirmation of the achieved engine reliability of the helicopter engine combination (see Appendix 2, paragraph 1);
- b) Specific and appropriate training and checking procedures as described in Appendix 2, paragraph 7;
- c) A maintenance programme which is extended to address the equipment and systems referred to in Appendix 2, paragraph 2;
- d) An MEL modified to address the equipment and systems necessary for operations in IMC;
- e) Planning and operating minima appropriate to operations in IMC;
- f) Departure and arrival procedures and any route/area limitations;
- g) Pilot qualifications and experience; and
- h) The operations manual, including limitations, emergency procedures, routes or areas of operation, the MEL and normal procedures related to the equipment referred to in Appendix 2, paragraph 2.

5. OPERATIONAL APPROVAL AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 Approval to undertake operations by helicopters in performance Class 3 in IMC specified in an air operator certificate or equivalent document should include the particular airframe/engine combinations, including the current type design standard for such operations, the specific helicopters approved, and the areas or routes of such operations.
- 5.2 The AOC holder's maintenance control manual should include a statement of certification of the additional equipment required, and of the maintenance and reliability programme for such equipment, including the engine

ATTACHMENT F

GUIDE TO CURRENT FLIGHT RECORDER PROVISIONS (Supplementary to Section II, Chapter 4, 4.3 and Section III, Chapter 4, 4.7)

See IS 063

ATTACHMENT G.

DANGEROUS GOODS

Refer IS 009