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## NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE – DASR RELEASE 20 AUG 26

### REFERENCES

- A. [Record of Change – DASR Release 20 AUG 26](#)
- B. [Notice of Proposed Amendment for DCP-0035 – DASR GR40 Occurrence Reporting and Management](#)
- C. CRD Consolidated Returns - DASR GR40 Occurrence Reporting (DCP 0035) (excerpts available on request)

### INTRODUCTION

1. This document summarises noteworthy changes incorporated into the Defence Aviation Safety Regulation (DASR) in the 20 Aug 26 release and specifies applicable compliance timeframes. This release incorporates one major, two minor and one editorial change. The primary purpose of this out-of-cycle release is to provide improved regulatory supporting information for aviation safety occurrence reporting. Details of all changes, including previous text and rationale for the change, are available at Reference A.

### MAJOR CHANGES

2. **DASR GR.40 Occurrence reporting.** DASA has amended DASR GR.40 in consultation with the Defence aviation safety community through References B and C. The amendment incorporates:
  - a. defining thresholds for when Occurrences would invoke reporting to DASA
  - b. simplifying reporting notification to DASA
  - c. alignment with the Defence Aviation Safety Reporting System (ASRS), while also retaining essential elements related to the reporting of ‘unsafe conditions, Occurrence reporting and Airworthiness Directives (ADs)’ from DASR 21 and the DASR Form 44
  - d. aligning risk classification terminology in DASR
  - e. removing and updating content based on superseded reference material, and to improve alignment to agreed civil and military aviation authority best practice
  - f. defining requirements related to Serious Incident and Aircraft Accident notifications.



3. A six-month compliance transition period is applicable to this change. DASA will consider extensions to the transition period on request. Further information on the transition, including educational material and details of aviation safety community engagement, will be detailed in an Advisory Circular and notified via a DASA Newsbreak.

#### NOTEWORTHY MINOR AND EDITORIAL CHANGES

4. **DASR SPA.30 *Air displays*.** References to the *Professional ADF Aviators Reference Manual* (PAARM) have been deleted from Guidance Material to DASR SPA.30.
5. **DASR ORO.85 *Flight Recorder and Locating Equipment*.** AMC ORO.85.A.8 and ORO.85.A.9 have been amended to clarify the regulatory and compliance demonstration requirements when a Military Air Operator uses alternate arrangements.
6. **DASR NDR.05 *Operation of Non-Defence Registered Aircraft by Defence Organisations*.** The term 'suitability of flight' in AMC NDR.05.B para 7 and Vol 3 Ch 5.3 Annex A para 5 have been replaced with 'Aviation Safety'.

#### ADMINISTRATION

7. The DASR and related forms should be accessed through the [DASP Policy and Guidance Portal](#), where available. The [User Guide](#) can assist users to navigate, print and search the DASR. DASR-related queries may be submitted through a [DASR Form 110 - Query Form](#).
8. To view legacy versions of the DASR please see [Version History](#) on the DASA website.

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