

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT DASP 03/2016

## DASR ARO.100 – Military Air Operator Certificate

### Introduction

1. The term Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) is used by both the European Aviation Safety Authority (EASA) and the European Military Airworthiness Requirements (EMAR) and replaces the previous NPRM. NPA is the method of consultation utilised for DASR development in the Regulation Change Process (RCP).

### Applicability

2. This proposal is applicable to all members of the Defence aviation community, including all regulated organisations and individuals subject to the requirements of Military Aviation Regulations (MILAVREG), Operational Airworthiness Regulations (OAREG) and Technical Airworthiness Regulations (TAREG). This Notice of Proposed Amendment (NPA) is issued by the Director Airworthiness Coordination and Policy Agency (DACPA) on behalf of the Defence Aviation Safety Program.

### Purpose

3. This NPA is to add DASR ARO.100 – *Military Air Operator Certificate (MAOC)* regulation and guidance material to DASR.

### Background

4. The Military Air Operator (MAO) is a key concept under DASR. The MAO is an organisation under the command of an Accountable Manager responsible for air operations and continuing airworthiness. The majority of Defence air operations will be conducted under the authority of a MAO.

5. As is the case with EASA and CASA Air Operator Certificates, the MAOC is designed as a single page certificate with attached Operations Specifications including key appointments, aircraft types and aircraft roles. The MAO applies for issue or variation to a MAOC and Operations Specifications via a compliance statement. The compliance statement is an exposition that the MAO can safely conduct flight operations by virtue of possessing: appropriate and sufficient personnel; facilities; OIP; the ability to comply with DASR; and an associated Continuing Airworthiness Management Organisation (CAMO) to provide airworthy aircraft.

### NPA 03/2016 Content.

6. DASR ARO.100 is broken into three regulations.
  - a. ARO.100.A regulates the operation of all Defence registered aircraft and specified UAS.
  - b. ARO.100.B regulates for cases where civilian registered aircraft are operated by or under control of the MAO. The inclusion of civilian registered aircraft on the MAOC replaces the requirement for issue of an Approval to Operate previously issued.
  - c. ARO.100.C regulates the application for issue of, or variation to, a MAOC through a compliance statement.
7. DASR can be viewed using the following link to the draft DASR electronic manual:

<http://www.defence.gov.au/DASP/Docs/Manuals/8000-011/DASRWeb/index.htm>

**Implementation of Regulation and Transition to MAOC.**

**8.** DADR ARO.100 is released to assist the regulated community begin transition to the new Military Air Operator concept. ACPA-Safety Assurance Section will conduct education briefings and assist with transition to MAOC and compliance with DADR ARO.100.

**How to Submit Comments on this NPA.**

**9.** Feedback on regulation DADR ARO.100 may be submitted via email to [ACPA.Regulations@defence.gov.au](mailto:ACPA.Regulations@defence.gov.au). Air command units are requested to coordinate responses through HQAC A9 DDA.

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