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Aircraft Entry Requirements

1. INTRODUCTION

On 26.05.2014 the rules for Third Country Operators (TCO) entered into force.

2. DETAILS

By the end of the transition period, which lasts until 26.11.2016, all TCOs engaging in scheduled or non-scheduled commercial air transport operations into, within or out of the territory subject to the provisions of the Treaty of the European Union, including those wet leased-in by or code-sharing with an EU operator, must hold a safety authorisation issued by the European Aviation Safety Agency (the Agency) in accordance with Regulation (EU) 452/2014.

Member States continue to be responsible to issue operating permits to TCOs. During the aforementioned transition period TCOs must, as part of the process to obtain operating permits from EU Member States, apply with the Agency for a TCO authorisation in order to ensure that the Agency can perform the TCO authorisation process before the end of the transition period. EU Member States reserve the right to deny the issuance of operating permits to TCOs who cannot demonstrate that they have applied for a TCO authorisation with the Agency.

3. AREA OF APPLICATION

All TCOs engaging in scheduled or non-scheduled commercial air transport operations into, within or out of the territory subject to the provisions of the Treaty of the European Union, including those wet leased-in by or code-sharing with an EU operator.

4. FURTHER INFORMATION

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