



ADVISORY CIRCULAR

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AIRCRAFT NOISE VALIDATION

1.0 PURPOSE

This Advisory Circular is issued to address the growing concerns on aircraft noise levels around airports triggered by the requirement for aircraft noise limitations and certification.

2.0 REFERENCES

- a) Regulations 43, 44 and 45 of the Civil Aviation (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Regulations, 2022.
- b) Schedule 3 of Civil Aviation (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Regulations, 2022.

3.0 GUIDANCE AND PROCEDURES

3.1 General Information

3.1.1 With the increasing volume of air traffic at airports, the requirement for noise certification has become a pre-requisite for operation of an aircraft within various States.

3.1.2 Noise certificate shall be granted or validated by the State of Registry of an aircraft on the basis of satisfactory evidence that the aircraft complies with requirements for aircraft noise. On this basis Part VI of the Civil Aviation (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Regulations, 2022. states that 'An aircraft to which this regulation applies shall not land or take off in the state unless there is in force a Noise Certificate issued or rendered valid by the competent Authority in which the aircraft is registered. Noise certification shall therefore be a requirement during an aircraft acceptance inspection.

3.1.3 The respective ICAO Annex also requires that the documents attesting noise certification may take the form of a separate Noise Certificate or a suitable statement contained in another document approved by the State of Registry and required by that State to be carried in the aircraft. Schedule 3 of Civil Aviation (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Regulations, 2022. provides guidance on the contents of the 'Document attesting noise certification'.

3.1.4 The documents attesting noise certification for an aircraft shall provide at least the following information:

- a) State of Registry; nationality and registration marks;
- b) Manufacturer's serial number;
- c) Manufacturer's type and model designation; engine type/model; propeller type/model (if applicable);
- d) Statement of any additional modifications incorporated for the purpose of compliance with the applicable noise certification Standards;
- e) The maximum mass at which compliance with the applicable noise certification Standards has been demonstrated. Only one maximum take-off and landing mass pair shall be certificated for each individual aircraft;

3.1.3 Part VI of the Civil Aviation (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Regulations, 2022. requires that an aircraft included in the classification defined for noise certification purpose set out in Part A of Schedule 3 shall be issued with a Noise Certificate or a suitable statement attesting noise certification contained in another document approved by the state of registry and required by that state to be carried in the aircraft.

Note; Schedule 3 Part B of Civil Aviation (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Regulations, 2022 requires that information on the document attesting to Noise Certification be included in the Aircraft Flight Manual.

3.1.4 New generation aircraft get certified for noise levels as part of the construction requirements. CAA shall issue a Noise Certificate based on the manufacturer's noise certification. No further tests shall be performed by CAA in this regard.

3.2 Issuance of Noise Certificates

The Noise Certificate shall be issued on a continuous validity basis. This certificate shall be issued to a specific aircraft upon qualification based on the manufacturer's specifications. Personnel authorised by the DG for this purpose are permitted to issue these Certificates. The following shall be observed;

- a) Availability of manufacturer's specifications,
- b) Qualification of aircraft when compared with limits provided in Annex 16 Vol.1 under title 'Maximum Noise Levels',
- c) Ensure there are no additional modifications that may have effect on manufacturer certified noise levels. If not clear consult manufacturer,
- d) Issue Certificate serial number in accordance with the Noise Certificate Register available,
- e) The Noise Certificate shall be issued by personnel specifically authorized by the Director General for that purpose.

 

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Aircraft Noise Certificate

1. Nationality and Registration Marks:	2. Manufacturer and Manufacturer's Designation of aircraft:	3. Aircraft Serial Number:
4. Engine Type/Model:		5. Propeller Type/Model: (where applicable)
6. Maximum Take-Off Mass:	7. Maximum Landing Mass:	8. Noise Certification Reference:
9. Additional Modifications incorporated for the purpose of compliance with the applicable Noise Certification Standards:		
10. Compliance with the applicable Noise Certification Standards:		
11. Lateral/Full Power Noise Level:	12. Approach Noise Level:	13. Flyover Noise Level:
14. Remarks:		
15. This Aircraft Noise Certificate is issued under the provisions of part VI of the Civil Aviation (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Regulations and conforms to the requirements of ICAO Annex 16, Volume 1.		
16. Date of Issue: 17. Signature.....		
Director Safety, Security and Economic Regulation		