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## Guidance Material

**GM004EN**

Subject:

## **EU-OPS: Cabin crew medical assessment**

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Applicable legislation: Regulation No. 1263/2008 (Reglugerð um flutningaflug flugvéla)  
Regulation EEC 3922/91 Annex III (EU-OPS) with later amendments

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## Introduction

Regulation 1263/2008 and EEC 3922/91 with later amendments specify certain requirements concerning cabin crew medical examinations or assessment. This guidance material highlight and explains the requirements and specifies the maximum regular interval between assessments.

## Requirement

*OPS 1.995 Minimum requirements:*

*An operator shall ensure that each cabin crew member:*

*(b) has passed a medical examination or assessment at regular intervals as required by the Authority so as to check the medical fitness to discharge his/her duties.*

The Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC)<sup>1</sup> associated with OPS 1.995(a)(2) will be retained as a means of meeting the requirement of OPS 1.995.

*AMC OPS 1.995(a)(2) Minimum requirements*

- 1. The initial medical examination or assessment and any re-assessment of cabin crew members should be conducted by, or under the supervision of, a medical practitioner acceptable to the Authority.*
- 2. An operator should maintain a medical record for each cabin crew member.*
- 3. The following medical requirements are applicable for each cabin crew member:*
  - a. Good health;*
  - b. Free from any physical or mental illness which might lead to incapacitation or inability to perform cabin crew duties;*
  - c. Normal cardiorespiratory function;*
  - d. Normal central nervous system;*
  - e. Adequate visual acuity 6/9 with or without glasses;*
  - f. Adequate hearing; and*
  - g. Normal function of ear, nose and throat.*

## Medical Examinations or Assessment

As outlined in AMC OPS 1.995(1), medical examination or assessment should be conducted by, or under supervision of a medical practitioner acceptable to the Authority. Such practitioners need not to be Aeromedical Examiners but it is preferable to utilise a practitioner who has received training in aviation medicine. Operators should provide a list of their medical practitioner to the ICAA.

Operators must ensure that the medical practitioners are made aware and informed of cabin crew occupational requirements.

Operators manuals must contain appropriate procedures as specified by the operator. Medical records must be established for each cabin crew member and confidentiality must be ensured by a doctor appointed by the operator.

<sup>1</sup> JAA Temporary Guidance Leaflet (TGL44)

Medical practitioner should complete operators medical assessment/examination form which includes at least the following items:

- Name
- Title
- Cabin Crew Attestation reference number
- Nationality
- List of minimum medical requirements as stated in AMC OPS 1.995(3) and specific part for medical practitioner's initials for each item
- Remarks
- Date and signature of cabin crew member
- Date and signature of medical practitioner

### **Periodicity of the Medical Examination or Assessment**

The maximum interval required by the ICAA between regular medical examinations or assessments is:

Age	Maximum period
< 40	60 months (5 years)
40-59	24 months
60 >	12 months

Table 1

### **Implementation**

Operators are requested to update Operations Manual with next revision but not later than 31 December 2009 and ensure that medical assessment or examination for all cabin crew members are completed by 31 December 2010.