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FLIGHT CREW COMPETENCE QUALIFICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORTS WITHIN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

1. INTRODUCTION

Due to very specific meteorological condition, terrain environment and construction of approach/departure procedure for International airports require a prudent set of operational rules and practices. The current conditions of operation at some airports were established by NATO and did not take into full consideration the ICAO and JAR policies.

2. REGULATORY BACKGROUND

Under ICAO Annex6-paras 9.4.3.1, 9.4.3.2 and 9.4.3.3, pilots-in-command:
"shall demonstrate to their operator an adequate knowledge of the aerodromes which are to be used".

Under JAR-OPS 1.1975 (Route and Aerodrome competence qualification):
"An operator shall ensure that, prior to being assigned as commander or as pilot to whom the conduct of the flight may be delegated by the commander, the pilot has obtained adequate knowledge of the aerodromes (including alternates) to be used".

Under JAR-AMC-OPS 1.975 (Pilot in Command - Route and Aerodrome competence):

2.0.1 Aerodrome competence
The Operations Manual should specify a method of categorization of aerodromes and specify the requirements necessary for each of these categories. If the least demanding aerodromes are Category A, Category B and C would be applied to progressively more demanding aerodromes.
The Operations Manual should specify the parameters, which qualify an aerodrome to be considered Category A and then provide a list of those aerodromes, categorized as B or C.

2.0.2 An aerodrome to which an operator operates should be categorized in one of these three categories.
The operator's categorization should be acceptable to the Authority."

3. BHDCA RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to Operators flying to and from International airports within Bosnia and Herzegovina to adjust their Operating Practices in aerodrome categorization for flight crew competence qualification. Categorization of Sarajevo and Mostar International Airports in Category B and categorization of Banja Luka and Tuzla International Airports in Category A according to JAR-AMC-OPS 1.975 should be specified in Operations Manual.

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