

AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION CIRCULAR BELIZE, CENTRAL AMERICA

AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION SERVICE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION P. O. BOX 367 BELIZE CITY

BELIZE CITY TEL: 225-2014
BELIZE FAX: 225-2533

AIC C011/10 20th April, 2010

IMPLEMENTATION OF OPERATIONAL DIRECTIVES AND AIRWORTHINESS ADVISORY CIRCULARS

1. Introduction

- **1.1** Operational Directives (ODs) may prohibit, limit or subject operations to certain conditions, in the interests of safety. They state:
 - (1) The reason for issue:
 - (2) Applicability and duration; and
 - (3) Action required by the operator (s)

The requirements of any operational directive will be considered as additional provisions to the requirements of the BCARs

1.2 Airworthiness Advisory Circular (AACs) provide additional information and guidance on how to meet the requirements of the Airworthiness BCAR parts. They provide guidance for actions once the BDCA determines that it is necessary to address the unsafe condition associated with a demonstrated risk. It describes an acceptable means, but not the only means, for maintaining the continued operational safety for airplane type designs that have a demonstrated risk.

2. General

- 1.1 Operational Directives and Airworthiness Advisory Circulars (AACs) are issued pursuant to the Belize Civil Aviation Regulations.
- 1.2 Operational Directives and Airworthiness Circulars are issued by the Belize Department of Civil Aviation (BDCA) to circulate information concerning the operation and airworthiness of civil aircraft in Belize.

- 1.3 The aviation industry in general, is invited to bring to the BDCA's attention any matter which in the interest of safety is considered in need of wider circulation.
- 1.4 ODs and AACs are mandatory in nature. They provide legislative requirements and when practical, guidance to illustrate a method, or several methods, not necessarily being the only method by which these requirements may be met. They may also provide a means of illustrating the meaning of certain requirements by offering interpretive and explanatory guidance.

2. Publication and distribution

- 2.1 ODs as well as AACs are periodically issued by the BDCA and mailed to the general aviation public. Copies of the abovementioned documents may also be acquired at the offices of this Department.
- 2.2 Subsequent revisions to said documents will be issued to all holders of these documents as defined in paragraph 2 of this AIC. Holders of these Circulars are particularly requested to notify the Department of any changes of mailing address.
- 2.3 Operational Directives as well as Airworthiness Advisory Circulars may be issued with immediate effect.
- 2.4 ODs and AACs are not meant to replace the system of Aeronautical Information Circulars (AICs). They are meant to complement the system of disseminating information thus making it more user friendly. Those requiring Aeronautical information will be provided with AICs, flight operations information will be provided with ODs and airworthiness information will be provided with AACs.

END