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	<p>GENERAL NOTICE # AIR-2016/003</p>	<p>Issue date: 18 November 2016</p>

Rescindment of Exemption and Aeronautical Information Circular, AIC 61.6

1. Applicability

This General Notice is applicable to all Type Certified aircraft registered in the Republic of South Africa. This General Notice supersedes the General Notice AIR-2016/003 issued 30 September 2016.

2. Regulatory Reference

CAR 2011 as amended, CAR Part 43 particularly 43.02.15.

3. Purpose of this General Notice

This General Notice serves as a notification to Aircraft Maintenance Organizations (AMOs), Operators and any other affected parties regarding the ruling, issued by the Director of Civil Aviation, to rescind the exemption and the associated AIC 61.6 which relates to Approval of modification and repair process to type certified aircraft using already approved data. (Already approved data refers to STC, AD and Repair schemes not forming part of the SRM issued by a competent Civil Aviation Authority).

4. Approval of Modification and Repair on type certified aircraft (Using already approved data)

ICAO prescribes that the State of Registry shall be responsible for approval of all design changes (modifications) to type certified aircraft under its jurisdiction including the installations of already approved data. AIC 61.6 absolve the authority from abiding to this ICAO critical requirement. As a consequence of this rescindment, any AMO or any other person applying for a modification and Repair approval on behalf of an AMO when in possession of already approved data shall use Form CA 43-14 and mark *"INSTALLATION"* in case of a modification or mark *"REPAIR"* in case of a repair scheme under section 3 of the application form. A properly completed application form (Form CA 43-14) accompanied by the appropriate fee in terms of Part 187 must be submitted to the CAA Engineering Office for consideration and/or processing, before the aircraft is modified or repaired as required by the Regulations.

The process entails:

- **Submission of an application form.**

An applicant must submit a properly completed application form (Form CA 43-14) accompanied by proof of payment to eng@caa.co.za. Proof payment can be through a stamped application form if payment was done at any of the CAA counters or evidence of EFT payment if payment was done through internet banking. No technical data (substantiation material) shall be submitted with the application form.

***Note:** For efficient processing of modification or repair information, applicants are encouraged to submit applications in advance, at least 15 working days before installation is initiated or anticipated.*

- **Acknowledgement of receipt of the application.**

The CAA's allocated project leader will acknowledge receipt of the application and request that all communications and substantiation material be submitted directly to him/her for consideration and processing.

- **Submission of substantiation materials (technical data).**

The applicant shall submit the required substantiation material to the CAA allocated project leader immediately after acknowledgement is received. Substantiation material under this context entails already approved data with clear evidence that it is approved by a Civil Aviation Authority, local or international.

***Note:** AMO's are encouraged to contact the manufacturers directly for clarification of manufacturer's promulgated data and any instruction or contact the SACAA for any clarity*

- **Review/assess of submitted data.**

The CAA will evaluate the submitted technical data in view to finding of compliance to regulatory framework including the requirement of the associated type design of the product or aircraft concerned.

- **Provide feedback on assessment.**

The CAA will provide feedback after evaluating the submitted technical data and where necessary, issue *Conditional Modification approval* to ensure that the applicant proceed to install and conduct the necessary test, if any required, to finalise the Modification or Repair. An applicant may also be accorded an opportunity to rectify or redress any information deemed unsatisfactory by the CAA.

***Note:** Issuance of the conditional modification on its own does not invalidate the current certificate of airworthiness of the aircraft. The certificate of airworthiness is invalidated immediately when installation on the aircraft is started or initiated.*

- **Approval or decline of the application.**

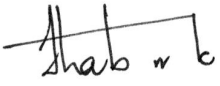
The CAA will approve modification or repair application and decline or reject applications found to be not compliant or unsatisfactory and will also provide reasons for declining or rejecting such unsatisfactory applications.

5. Effective date:

This notification is effective from the date of issue as indicated above.

6. Queries

For any queries regarding this notification should be sent to: **Manager, Airworthiness Engineering** at eng@caa.co.za

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