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REDUCED VERTICAL SEPARATION MINIMA (RVSM) WITHIN SOUTH AFRICAN AIRSPACE

- ☞ Indicates changes.
 - ☞ This AIC replaces AIC 41.10 dated 08-02-15 in total.
1. RVSM has been implemented in South African airspace in accordance with ICAO regional agreements. Also in accordance with ICAO recommendations, the South African regulatory authority in conjunction with operators will utilise FAA Interim Guidance 91-RVSM (as amended): Joint Airworthiness Authorities (JAA) Temporary Guidance Leaflet 6 (TGL 6) or equivalent State documents as the basis for approving aircraft and operators for RVSM.
 2. The task of monitoring RVSM safety in the AFI Region has been assigned to the AFI Regional Monitoring Agency (ARMA). Current information and RVSM approval documents, including revisions, can be found on the webpages maintained by the ARMA and the ICAO East and Southern Africa Office (ESAF).
 3. ARMA and ICAO East and Southern Africa Office (ESAF webpages):
 - (a) <http://www.icao.int/esaf>
 - (b) <http://www.atns.co.za/afi-rvsm>
 - 3.1 The RVSM documentation section of the ARMA and ICAO East and Southern Africa Office (ESAF) webpages also contains guidance on the aircraft/operator approval process. Operators must co-operate with the SACAA to ensure that they are approved to conduct RVSM operations.
 - 3.2 Further information on the aircraft and operator approval process may be obtained from the Airworthiness Department, telephone +2711 545 - 1131. The SACAA "Application for reduced vertical separation minima aircraft approval" form may be accessed from the website (<http://www.caa.co.za/>) under Airworthiness/ Forms/ CA-91-13.
 - 3.3 Information on the AFI RVSM Safety policy, AFI RVSM Operations and the AFI Height Monitoring Programme may be obtained from the AFI Regional Monitoring Agency (ARMA), Telephone +2711 928 - 6506, FAX +2711 928 - 6546.



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