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AIRCRAFT EMERGENCY LOCATOR TRANSMITTER (ELT) CODING AND REGISTRATION

1. General

SITA:

The Cyprus Department of Civil Aviation collects and forwards all information on ELTs that are installed on Cyprus Registered Aircraft to the Cyprus Joint Rescue Coordination Center. The ELT installed should be of a type approved by COSPAS-SARSAT. Approved types of ELTs are found in the COSPAS-SARSAT website (Professionals) at the following link: http://www.cospas-sarsat.org.

2. ICAO and EASA Requirements

The requirements for the installation, carriage and operation of ELTs are defined in ICAO Annex 10 – Aeronautical Telecommunications, Annex 6 – Operation of Aircraft, and Commission Regulation (EU) No.965/2012 on Air Operations.

3. ELT Coding

The Emergency Locator Transmitters (ELT) operating on 406 MHZ have the capacity to transmit a programmed digital message which contains information related to the ELT and the aircraft on which it is carried.

In Cyprus, ELTs operating on 406 MHZ are to be coded with the Cyprus Country Code 209 and the aircraft registration. An acceptable alternate coding protocol is the 24-bit aircraft address which can be provided by the Safety Regulation Unit of the Cyprus Civil Aviation Department.

ELT coding can be carried out either by the manufacturer or by other approved aviation workshops.

A description of beacon coding is contained in COSPAS-SARSAT (C/S S.007-Handbook of Beacon Regulations CYP-Section) which is attached hereto.

4. ELT Registration

All ELTs installed on Cyprus registered aircraft shall be registered with the Cyprus Department of Civil Aviation and the Cyprus JRCC.

The attached notification form should be completed, signed and submitted to the Department of Civil Aviation, Safety Regulation Unit at the address and fax number stated on the form.

A workshop report should also be submitted as proof of correct coding.

5. Further Information

Further information can be obtained by: Airworthiness Section Safety Regulation Unit Civil Aviation Department Nicosia

Tel.: +357 22404122 / 22404162 Email: <u>mioannou@dca.mcw.gov.cy</u>



Official 406 MHz ELT Notification Form

Department of Civil Aviation

Mail or Fax to: Safety Regulation Unit Civil Aviation Department Pindarou 27, 1429 Nicosia Fax No.:22304708

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Important Notice - Please Read Before Completing Registration

Notification is an important facet for all COSPAS-SARSAT 406 MHz emergency beacons. Not only is it required by ICAO & EU Regulations but the information you furnish is used by Search and Rescue (SAR) units in the event of beacon activation. The registration information is an important tool to assist the Cyprus SAR units in locating and quickly responding to you, or your aircraft. Failure to register your beacon may delay a rescue response. Accurate, up-to-date registration information will also be used to conserve resources by helping to eliminate false alert deployments, as an inadvertent activation can be resolved with a phone call.

All registration forms will be entered into the 406 MHZ ELT's Registration Database. Although the information provided will become a matter of public record, there is no intention to circulate the information furnished beyond its intended purpose.

There is no charge for beacon notification.

Finally, false alerts remain a chief concern for SAR agencies. For this reason, prior to any test activation of an ELT, you are advised to read the Cyprus AIC C001/2017(Cospas Sarsat ELT Activation Procedure). We ask that you also carefully refer to the beacon's user manual for instructions on properly operating, installing, testing, performing required maintenance, and/or stowage of your beacon. We find that these are important factors in reducing the number of false alerts. *Please use the utmost care at all times!*

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(Amended sections are shown highlighted in grey)

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1. **REGULATIONS**

1.1 General

Nil.

1.2 EPIRBs

Cyprus flagged SOLAS vessels are required to carry a 406 MHz satellite EPIRB.

Recreational vessels are encouraged to carry an EPIRB on a voluntary basis.

1.3 ELTs

Aircraft operating in the Republic of Cyprus must adhere to the provisions of Annex 6, Parts I, II and III of the ICAO Convention, as applicable.

Aircraft operating under EU-OPS AOC, must adhere to the provisions of EU-OPS.

1.4 PLBs

406 MHz PLBs are allowed for use in the Republic of Cyprus provided the user has registered his/her PLB beacon to JRCC Larnaca and the PLB conforms to the COSPAS-SARSAT standards.

1.4.1 National Beacon Regulations for Serial-Coded PLBs

	For Terrestrial	In Maritime	On	
	Applications	Environment	Aircraft	
Administration	Country	Country	Country	Comments
	Recognises PLB	Recognises PLB	Recognises PLB	
	Activations	Activations	Activations	
Cyprus	Y	Y	Y	Nil

Similar information is available in the new table on the Cospas-Sarsat website ($\underline{www.cospas-sarsat.int}$) with the status indication in colors (Y = green, allows / N = red, not allowed / Restrictions = amber (see comments) and with the note that the national beacon regulations can be found on the Cospas-Sarsat website in document C/S S.007).

2. BEACONS CODING METHODS

2.1 EPIRB Coding Methods

		USER P	ROTOCOLS		LOCATION PROTOCOLS									
Country		ne User	Serial User	Radio Call Sign	User Location			Standar	d Location	National Location	RLS (Return Link Service)			
Code	MMSI	Radio Call Sign	EPIRB with Serial Number	Radio Call Sign	MMSI	EPIRB with Serial Number	Radio Call Sign	MMSI	EPIRB with Serial Number	Serial Number Assigned by Competent Administration	EPIRB with Serial Number			
209, 210, 212	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	Y			

2.2 ELT Coding Methods

		USER PRO	OTOCOL	S		LOCATION PROTOCOLS										
Country	Serial User Aviation User					User L	ocation		Stan	dard Locati	on	National Location	RLS (Return Link Service)			
Code		Aircraft		Aircraft		Aircraft		Aircraft		Aircraft		Serial Number				
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2.3 PLB Coding Methods

	USER PROTOCOLS	LOCATION PROTOCOLS									
Country	Serial User	User Location	Standard Location	National Location	RLS (Return Link Service)						
Code	PLB with Serial Number	PLB with	Serial Number	Serial Number Assigned by Competent Administration	PLB with Serial Number						
209	N		N	Y	Y						

3. LIST OF BEACON MODELS TYPE APPROVED BY ADMINISTRATION

Not available.

4. BEACON TESTING REGULATION

Not available.

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5. POINT OF CONTACT FOR BEACON MATTERS (CODING, REGISTRATION AND TYPE APPROVAL)

The points of contact for beacon matters (coding, registration, type approval, licensing) are:

• EPIRBs: Department of Merchant Shipping,

• ELTs: Department of Civil Aviation,

• PLBs: Joint Rescue Coordination Centre.

Updated point of contact details for administrations are available at: https://www.cospas-sarsat.int/en/contacts-pro/contacts-details-all.

6. BEACON REGISTRATION

6.1 Regulation

A registration is required to operate any type of beacon in Cyprus.

6.2 Forms

There are three different registration cards, one for each type of beacon, which are downloadable from the websites of the competent authorities mentioned below:

- for EPIRBs:
 http://www.mcw.gov.cy/mcw/dms/dms.nsf/index_en/index_en?opendocument,
- for ELTs: http://www.mcw.gov.cy/mcw/dca/dca.nsf/DMLindex en/DMLindex en?OpenDocument,
- for PLBs:
 http://www.mod.gov.cy/mod/CJRCC.nsf/index_en/index_en?OpenDocument.

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