



International Civil Aviation Organization

Runway and Ground Safety Working Group

Third Meeting (RGS WG/3)
(Cairo, Egypt, 19-22 September 2016)

Agenda Item 2: Global and Regional Development related to RGS

FIRST EDITION OF PANS-AERODROMES, DOC 9981

(Presented by the Secretariat)

SUMMARY

This paper provides information on the First Edition of the Procedures for the Air Navigation Services – Aerodromes (PANS Aerodromes – ICAO Doc 9981) which was approved by the President of the Council on 20 October 2014 and becomes applicable on 10 November 2016.

Action by the meeting is at paragraph 3.

REFERENCES

- ICAO Doc 9981

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Air Navigation Commission, acting under delegated authority, approved the first edition of the Procedures for Air Navigation Services – Aerodromes (PANS-Aerodromes, Doc 9981). The document was approved on 20 October 2014 by the President of the Council on behalf of the Council in accordance with established procedure. A copy of Doc 9981 is available as an attachment to the electronic version of this State letter AN 4/25-15/33 dated 8 May 2015 on the ICAO-NET (<http://portal.icao.int>).

1.2 The first edition of Doc 9981 will become applicable on 10 November 2016.

2. DISCUSSION

2.1 The first edition of PANS-Aerodromes addresses priority areas revealed by the Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme (USOAP) in the areas of aerodrome certification, conduct of safety assessments and compatibility studies. The provisions therein specify, in greater detail than the Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) in Annex 14 – Aerodromes, Volume I – Aerodromes Design and Operations, operational procedures to be applied by both aerodrome regulators and operators in those priority areas to ensure aerodrome operational safety and to improve overall system capacity and efficiency in a globally harmonized manner.

2.2 The chapters of PANS-Aerodromes are:

- a) Chapter 1. Definitions;
- b) Chapter 2. Certification of Aerodromes;
- c) Chapter 3. Safety Assessments for Aerodromes;
- d) Chapter 4. Aerodrome Compatibility; and
- e) Chapter 5. Aerodrome Operational Management.

2.3 The meeting may wish to note that the Fifth meeting of the MIDANPIRG Steering Group (MSG/5, Cairo, Egypt, 18 - 20 April 2016) urged States and service providers to implement the provisions of the PANS– Aerodromes and to publish up to date lists of significant differences from this document in their AIP by 10 November 2016. In this regard, the MSG/5 meeting recognized the need for a regional Seminar/Workshop to raise awareness and support implementation of the new provisions of the PANS-Aerodromes and agreed to the following MSG Conclusion:

MSG CONCLUSION 5/1: SEMINAR/WORKSHOP ON PANS–AERODROMES

That, a Seminar/Workshop on the implementation of PANS-Aerodromes (Doc 9981) be organized by ICAO in 2017.

2.4 The RASG-MID/5 meeting supported the above mentioned Conclusion and urged States to participate actively in the Seminar/Workshop on implementation of PANS-Aerodromes. It was highlighted that, for an improved efficiency, the Seminar/Workshop might be held back-to-back with the RGS WG/4 meeting.

3. ACTION BY THE MEETING

3.1 The meeting is invited to urge States and service providers to:

- a) implement the provisions of the PANS – Aerodromes and to publish up to date lists of significant differences from PANS documents in their AIP as of 10 November 2016; and
- b) support and actively participate in the proposed Seminar/Workshop on PANS– Aerodromes.

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