

Workshop on Oversight of Instrument Flight Procedures

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Overview

- Australian IFP context
- Regulatory arrangements
- Service provider certification
- Service provider oversight
- IFP Validation process
- IFP revalidation

Australian IFP context

Aerodromes and airspace

- Only Military aerodromes are owned by the Federal Government.
- Other aerodromes are owned/leased by private companies or local councils.
- 344 aerodromes and helicopter landing sites with IFPs,
 - 38 have air traffic control towers (Class C, D and Military)
- All other aerodromes and HLS's operate in Class G airspace
- Aerodromes with IFPs must be Certified by CASA (Part 139):
 - Annual surveys of OLS & monitoring of PANS-OPS surfaces.
 - CASA rules for building developments within 30NM.
 - Special HLS's are an exception to certification requirement.

Australian IFP context

Procedure types and navigation specifications overview

- ILS: 27 locations
- GLS: 2 locations (SYD & MEL)
- NDB/VOR NPAs: Approx. 120 locations
- PBN Navigation specifications:
 - GNSS is manated equipment for IFR aircraft
 - RNP 1 Arrivals and departures (rollout ongoing)
 - RNP APCH All locations (approx. 60% LNAV/VNAV)
 - RNP AR APCH 22 locations (ICAO 9905 and proprietary criteria)

Regulatory arrangements

- Requirements:
 - Civil Aviation Safety Regulation (CASR) Part 173
 - Manual of Standards (MOS)
 - Advisory circulars (AC)

https://www.casa.gov.au/rules/regulatory-framework/casr/part-173-casr-instrument-flight-procedure-design

- Organisations are certified by CASA (4 currently: the ANSP & 3 private).
- Organisations subject to regular audit.
- Chief Designers approved by CASA, have regulated responsibilities.
- Design criteria: MOS 173, PANS-OPS and Doc 9905.

Regulatory arrangements

IFP Design Organisations - Certified Designer Requirements (include):

- Maintain and comply with an Operations Manual,
- Must have a chief designer approved by CASA,
- Verification processes for procedure design 2 qualified designers independently check, one of whom did not carry out original design work.
- Appropriate organisation with sufficient qualified personnel,
- Training and checking program,
- Safety and Quality Management Systems,
- Arrangements with AIS and aerodromes (CASR 175),
- Use of certified navigation aids only (CASR 171),
- Maintenance and 5-yearly periodic review of procedures,
- Ensure all new procedures are flight validated by CASA prior to publication.

Regulatory arrangements

IFP Validation (not navigation aid flight inspection):

- Validation must be done by CASA (CASR 173.095).
- CASA flight validation pilot or contractor acting on behalf of CASA.
- Designer responsible for a new procedure participates onboard.
- Revalidation every five years (MOS 173)

Process overview (entry control):

- CASA certification required to perform design of IFPs (173.035).
- Organisations apply to CASA for a Procedure Design Certificate and approval of nominated Chief Designer.
- The application package includes a detailed operations manual, example designs for review and other supporting evidence (e.g. Chief Designer qualifications & experience).
- CASA performs a desktop assessment, when satisfied will move to an onsite review and Chief Designer interview.
- Procedure Design Certificate and Chief Designer approval issued once assessment completed successfully.
- CASA certificate is valid for 3 years and lists the IFP types the organisation is certified to design.
- Organisations must apply to CASA for renewal of their certification every 3 years.

Assessment overview:

- Applications are assessed against the regulatory requirements. Applicant needs to address how they will comply with the requirements.
- Assessor worksheets derived from the regulation (CASR 173) and standards (MOS 173) are used to perform and record the assessments for the organisation and chief designer.

Organisat	ion Name:		Org ARN:			RM8 File Ref:	
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Operations	Manual - C	ontent					
CASR	173.075	Does certified designer, maintain an operations manual that meets the standards for operations manuals set out in the Manual of Standards. Does the designer's Operations Manual include:					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(a)	A table of contents based on the items in the manual, indicating the page number on which each item begins?					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(b)	A description of the designer's organisational structure and a statement setting out the functions that the designer performs, or proposes to perform under CASR Part 173?					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(c)	A description of the chain of command established, or proposed to be established, by the designer and a statement of the duties and responsibilities of any supervisory positions within the organisational structure?					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(d)	A statement showing how the designer determines the number of operational staff required including the number of operational supervisory staff?					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(e.)	A list of the design services that the designer provides, or proposes to provide?					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(f)	A statement, for each design service, that identifies the location from where the service is provided, or proposed to be provided?					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(g)	A statement of the responsibilities and functions for each position?					
MOS 173	2.1.1.1(h)	A description of the arrangements made or proposed to be made by the designer to ensure that it has, and will continue to receive, the information necessary for providing the service?					

Procedure design certificate example:



Schedule 1 - Terminal instrument flight procedures

- Non-precision Approach (Ground-based)
- Non-precision Approach (RNP APCH)
- Precision Approach (Ground-based)
- Precision Approach (GBAS)
- Approach with Vertical Guidance (APV)
- Required Navigation Performance Authorisation Required Approach (RNP AR APCH)
- Departure

Schedule 2 - Conditions

Regulator considerations & lessons learnt:

- Early engagement with applicants to understand their intentions and scope of planned activities (pre-application meeting).
- Ensure appropriate assessment records are kept (ideally these are standardised assessment templates).
- Ensure applicants understand the ongoing compliance requirements following certification, including regular audits by the relevant authority and any recertification requirements.
- Applicants should develop a compliance matrix to map the regulatory requirements against their documents. Provides the applicant and assessor some assurance that each regulatory requirement has been considered and provided for.
- Requirements for an SMS may be new for an applicant. CASA has guidance material for scaling an SMS as appropriate for the size of the organisation.
- Regulations are written by lawyers: it is to be expected that clarification will need to be provided whilst the applicant develops their documents.

Service provider oversight

Overview:

- Oversight by Process and Oversight by Output (Doc 10068) both conducted.
- Regular audits conducted every 12 to 18 months under CASA's National Oversight Plan.
- Additional audits may be conducted in response to specific issues.
- Oversight is also conducted through:
 - Validation of new procedures. New procedures must be validated by CASA prior to publication in AIP (173.095).
 - Monitoring of occurrence reports.
 - Other industry intelligence received by CASA.

Service provider oversight Audit activities:

- All CASA surveillance events (audits) are conducted in accordance with the CASA Surveillance Manual (CSM), it contains all the audit procedures.
 - https://www.casa.gov.au/legacy-search/manuals-and-handbooks/surveillance-manual
- Types of surveillance:
 - Level 1 surveillance event:
 - Systems audits (most common for IFP scheduled events);
 - Remote
 - Post-authorisation reviews
 - Level 2 Surveillance event: Less formal event, narrower scope and may be specific to one system, or in response to a safety occurrence.

Service provider oversight Audit activities:

Audit preparation: Review documents, current designs, occurrences, other intelligence.

Conduct audit:

- Entry meeting: Outlines the audit scope and administrative matters.
- Audit sessions: Authorization holder updates, documentation review/sampling, training program, safety & quality management, design sampling, maintenance, periodic reviews.
- Exit meeting: Summary of topics discussed and issues/preliminary findings.

Audit reporting:

- Audit lead drafts report peer reviewed (standard template).
- Report is approved and issued to the authorisation holder.
- Standard response times apply as outlined in the CSM.
- Authorisation holder response to safety findings (regulatory breaches) must include:
 Remedial action, root cause analysis and corrective action, supported by evidence.

Service provider oversight

Regulator considerations & lessons learnt:

- Oversight not just limited to audits. Regular engagement can proactively address issues early.
- Aircraft operator feedback and other industry reports can be a valuable source of intelligence for oversight of IFP design organisations.
- Ensure audit activities are transparent to the authorisation holder and all issues are communicated clearly throughout the audit and summarised at the closing meeting (no surprises when the final report is received).
- Remote audits may be necessary occasionally (e.g. COVID) and are a valuable tool when the scope is very limited such as for a document review.
- ICAO State Oversight Manual recommends:
 - on-site audits and/or inspections to verify technical aspects and assess the service provider's organization, competence and implementation of its operating procedures, and
 - surveillance activities.. include conduct of on-site inspections.. to proactively verify that.. approval holders continue to meet established requirements & function at the level of competency & safety required by State
- IFP design audits are highly technical, video conferencing has limited value. Issues include limited access to staff, documents, design files and tools. Time differences, video conferencing technology and language differences often mean that in-depth technical questions and demonstrations are not practically possible.

Overview:

- Validation process complies with MOS 173 and Doc 9906.
- Validation phases:
 - 1. Pre-validation (desktop review)
 - 2. Simulator evaluation (when required)
 - 3. Flight validation (aircraft on-site)
 - 4. Procedure Validation Certificate issued as IFP approval

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IFP Validation

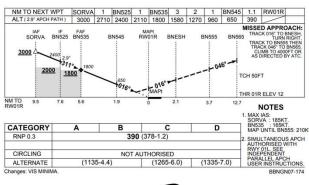
Pre-validation (desktop review):

Validation package supplied to CASA by Certified Designer after internal QA, includes:

- Publication-ready procedure plates,
- Aerodrome chart,
- Waypoint & threshold coordinates in WGS-84,
- Procedure coding table,
- Minimum altitude and visibility calculations for approaches, circling, holding and MSAs,
- Geo-referenced charts/KMLs showing the nominal track, primary & secondary containment areas, and critical obstacle for each segment.

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Pre-validation (desktop review):

Validation package (cont.) – includes:

- Critical obstacles for each segment,
- Design parameters used, e.g. ISA+30, historical wind information.
- Terrain data source and accuracies,
- Confirmation that the aerodrome meets the standards required for published IFP,
- Confirmation that the procedures comply with MOS 173 Sections 8.1.1.3 Overlapping Procedures and 8.1.1.4 Airspace Buffers,
- Highlight any variations from procedure design criteria,
- Any other information that the designer considers appropriate.

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Pre-validation (desktop review):

Desktop review includes:

- Chart formatting correct and standardized,
- Tracks/distances/altitudes/vertical path,
- PANS-OPS and MOS 173 compliance,
- Waypoint names,
- Review critical obstacles locations & impact on design,
- Aerodrome infrastructure appropriate,
- Any PBN requirements,
- Presentation of airspace incl. neighboring aerodromes,
- Text and notes/are easily understood,
- Differences to standard criteria consider operator approvals/exemptions.
- Recommended navigation database table: Path terminators, waypoint types, courses, turns, altitudes, speeds, vertical path angles, RNP values.

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Pre-validation (desktop review):

- Pre-validation checklist completed.
- Remarks/considerations for validation activities noted e.g.:
 - Flyability considerations
 - Impact of any non-standard procedures
 - Obstacle assessment, especially in non-surveyed areas (highlight potential data discrepancies for onsite check).
 - Amendments to charts and/or coding table
 - New aerodromes have infrastructure commissioned
 - Runway markings, PAPIs, WDI/AWIS, etc
 - ATC, aerodrome operator notified
 - NOTAM and press release published
- Procedure approved for flight validation, and simulator validation where required.

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Simulator validation:

- Conducted for LNAV/VNAV, RNP-AR & others as required, including arrivals and departures on a case-by-case basis. Evaluated at the desktop review stage.
- As required: Complex procedures (altitude and speed constraints, non-standard VPA), potential flyability concerns that may need simulator evaluation, e.g. RWY offset.
- Flyability issues discovered during on-site validation can be tested again in the aircraft simulator. E.g. IFP suitable for Category A/B aircraft may present challenges for faster aircraft.
- ICAO Doc 9906:
 - To assess flyability and human factors issues, at least one on-course/on-path assessment should be flown in an aircraft capable of conducting the procedure.
 - Custom navigation database for approaches with coded vertical paths.
 - Manual entry of data should be limited to LNAV procedures.
 - RNP AR IFPs must always undergo simulator evaluation.
- Publication of IFPs prior to validation to allow coding in the public navigation database for flight validation risks unauthorised public use of a procedure that may not be safe.

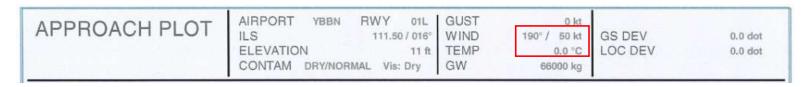
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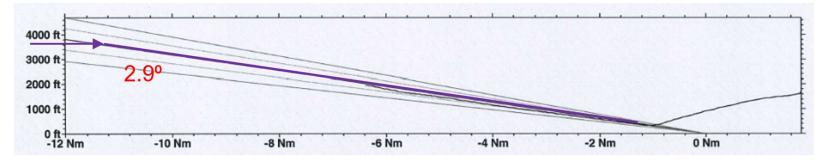
- Conducted by CASA validation pilot and type-rated CASA Flying Operations Inspector.
- Simulator: Certified Level D approved for the procedure, valid TAWS and terrain database.
- Navigation database: Reviewed before validation.
- Procedure coding, tracks, flyability are checked (not necessary to validate these items again in the aircraft).
- Allows testing of different scenarios and adverse weather conditions (winds, temperatures etc.) and performance checks (climb, bank angle, ground proximity warnings, runway & slope alignment).

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Simulator validation:

Vertical profile: Example
 Brisbane – YBBN 2.9° VPA, Temp limits 0°C to +59 °C







On site flight validation:

- Conducted by CASA validation pilot, day VMC only.
- Specially equipped flight inspection aircraft <u>not</u> required.
- On site validation:
 - Critical navigational data such as runway ends validated (threshold coordinates)
 - Obstacles:
 - Verify identified controlling, charted & other obstacles (obstacle fly-by gross error check)
 - The edge of the protection areas can be accurately flown, helpful to accurately determine relevant obstacles, especially in built up areas or sloping terrain.
 - Vegetation allowance is suitable
 - Absence of obstacles extending through the floor of the MOCA (unforeseen obstacles)
 - No penetrations of FAS or missed approach surfaces (fly the surfaces using EFB contours)
 - Confirmation Visual Segment Surface (VSS) is not penetrated
 - Aerodrome facilities support procedure.
 - Local airspace arrangements flyability/workload.

IFP ValidationOn site flight validation:

Aircraft:

- Usually twin engine (Cessna Conquest/Beechcraft Baron)
- Helicopter where required
- Other aircraft when necessary, e.g. GLS-capability

Equipment and information:

- iPad (EFB)
- External GPS receiver, GPS tracker
- Go-Pro
- Maps/charts, Obstacle data

Crew:

- Validation pilot(s)
- Procedure designer new procedures
- Trained observer

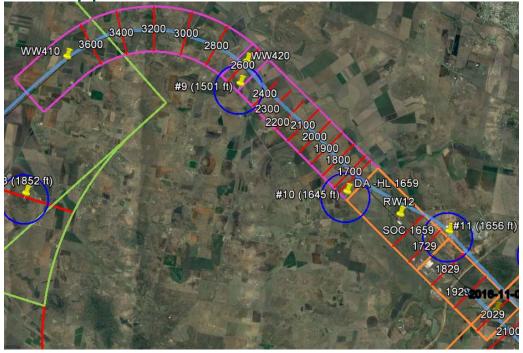


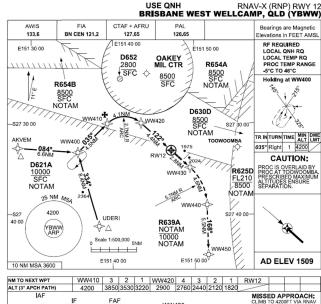
On site flight validation: Equipment – iPad EFB Application

- CASR Part 175 (AIM) certified Data Service Provider refer CASA website
- Access to current maps/charts
- Current GPS aircraft position
- PANS-OPS protection areas and obstacle surface overlays (e.g. kmz file)
- Obstacle and boundary overlays
- Different background maps
- Situational awareness airspace boundaries, aircraft traffic
- Allows complex surfaces/turns to be efficiently assessed (including):
 - Baro-VNAV Final Approach Surface (FAS)
 - Missed approach surface
 - RF turns

On site flight validation: Equipment – iPad EFB Application

Supports obstacle validation





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IFP ValidationOn site flight validation:

Two passes conducted:

1. Check obstacle protection surfaces (fly the surfaces checking for penetrations by unknown obstacles)

2. Fly the procedure as published to confirm, flyability, lateral alignment with runway, and

vertical alignment against PAPI.



On site flight validation: Flight evaluation report completed

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	RNAV-Z(GNSS) RWY XX	Procedure Designer	
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1.1 Check all necess	ary items from IFP package are available, to include: gra	phic, text, maps, submission form	Click to select
1.2 Check all necess	ary flight validation forms are available		Click to select
1.3 Appropriate aircr	aft and avionics for IFP being evaluated		Click to select
1.4 Does the procedu	ure require use of autopilot or flight director		Click to select
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2.7 Night evaluation r	equirement (if applicable)		Click to select
2.8 Required navigat	ion (NAVAID) support (if applicable)		Click to select
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2.10 Estimated flight	time		Click to select
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2.12 Necessary equi	pment and media for electronic record of validation flight		Click to select
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IFP Validation Validation certification:

Post validation:

- Validation reports: Complete flight validation and simulator validation reports. Evaluate collected data and collate evaluation comments.
- Procedure designer: Update procedures where required.
- Procedure Validation Certificate: CASA approval to publish

Regulator considerations & lessons learnt:

- Large/complex projects:
 - Likely have many staff & management changes, ensure agreements/sign-off at each stage.
 - Single point of contact at the Regulator to coordinate each different regulatory service team (Parts 139, 171, 172, 173, 175).
 - The aerodrome and ANSP should engage with the Regulator from the start, considering the evolving design.
- Data accuracy (DQRs): Confirm all survey data after construction/changes. Example case threshold coordinates were provided in GDA94 not in WGS84 (approx. 2m out).
- TAWS database currency: Alerts can occur if runway not in database, advise airlines for new runways.
- Avoid last minute IFP changes requiring complex NOTAMs and consider navigation data implications.

Regulator considerations & lessons learnt (cont.):

- Procedure designers should coordinate with aerodrome operators to ensure IFP effective dates and significant runway changes occur at the same time.
- Thorough desktop review can identify corrections and reduce issues during simulator and flight validation saving costly revalidation.
- The procedure chart should clearly align with the recommended navigation data coding table, including presentation and coding of the vertical path.
- Consultation with data houses may be required for complex or non-standard procedure coding.
- For new validations, designer should participate ensuring designer has first-hand understanding of issues (they may be able to addressed them immediately).
 Further validation flights might not need to be conducted in this case.

Regulator considerations & lessons learnt (cont.):

Flyability:

IFPs may be PANS-OPS compliant however flyability issues may not be apparent until flown.

Factors include:

- Complex IFPs, using (multiple) height/speed restrictions, unclear instructions, steep approach, short/inconsistent segments. Stabilized approach criteria may be difficult to meet.
- Unconventional IFPs, so that aircraft standard operating procedures must be adapted.
- Airspace complexity, neighbouring aerodromes, controlled or restricted airspace which may affect pilot maneuvering whilst conducting the IFP, or present traffic separation challenges.
- Environment: not runway aligned, VSS penetrations, mountainous terrain (turbulence, altimetry issues) and TAWS.
- Runway infrastructure inadequate. For example: doesn't support a straight-in IFP, visibility minima appropriate to the runway lighting facility.

IFP Revalidation Overview:

- Conducted by CASA (contractor) every 5 years (MOS 173).
- Timing aligned with procedure designer periodic review and allows for updates/enhancements to be checked and validated where required at limited cost.
- Considers:
 - Obstacles: Limited vertical obstacle database. Individual aerodrome management.
 - Correct charting, waypoints and coding.
 - Airspace environment.
 - Aerodrome facilities.
 - Feedback provided to designer and aerodrome.
- Revalidation missions flown throughout the year, geographically grouped with all procedures checked over the five-year period.
- Procedure designer not required on-board.

Summary

- Regulatory arrangements set the standards to be met.
- Service provider certification provides a baseline level of assurance of compliance.
- Service provider oversight ensures ongoing safety and compliance.
- IFP validation checks procedures are safe, compliant and flyable before use.
- IFP revalidation ensures procedures remain safe, compliant and flyable.

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