

Complex and no Complex Aircraft

Quick explanation



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Definitions of complex and noncomplex aircraft

→ *Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 , Article 140*

b) ‘complex motor-powered aircraft’ shall be understood as a reference to point (j) of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008

ARTICLE 140 – TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Regulation (EU) 2018/1139

- I. The certificates and specific airworthiness specifications issued or recognised and the declarations made or recognised in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 and its implementing rules shall continue to be valid and shall be deemed to have been issued, made and recognised pursuant to the corresponding provisions of this Regulation, including for the purposes of applying [Article 67](#).

Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Union Aviation Safety Agency and amending Regulations (EC) No 2111/2005, (EC) No 1008/2008, (EU) No 996/2010, (EU) No 376/2014 and Directives 2014/30/EU and 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 552/2004 and (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 (OJ L 212, 22.8.2018, p. 1).

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Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the
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CHAPTER VI – FINAL PROVISIONS

- I. Not later than 12 September 2023 the implementing rules adopted on the basis of Regulations (EC) No 216/2008 and (EC) No 552/2004 shall be adapted to this Regulation. Until adaptation, any references in those implementing rules to:
 - (a) ‘commercial operation’ shall be understood as a reference to point (i) of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008;
 - (b) ‘complex motor-powered aircraft’ shall be understood as a reference to point (j) of Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008;
 - (c) ‘appliances’ shall be understood as a reference to point (29) of [Article 3](#) of this Regulation;
 - (d) ‘leisure pilot licence’ shall be understood as a reference to the licence referred to in Article 7(7) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008.

Complex Motor-powered Aircraft' definition

- an aeroplane:
- — with a maximum certificated take-off mass exceeding 5 700 kg
- certificated for a maximum passenger seating configuration of more than nineteen
- certificated for operation with a minimum crew of at least two pilots
- equipped with (a) turbojet engine(s) or more than one turboprop engine

Complex Motor-powered Aircraft' definition

- a helicopter certificated:
- for a maximum take-off mass exceeding 3175 kg
- for a maximum passenger seating configuration of more than nine
- for operation with a minimum crew of at least two pilots, or
- a tilt rotor aircraft;



No complex aircraft

Everything else







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