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STATE SAFETY POLICY

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1. STATE SAFETY POLICY

Spain has a firm commitment to achieve a high level of safety performance in civil aviation.

All the public organizations responsible for the application of the State Safety Programme (SSP) for civil aviation shall have as objective to achieve a high level of safety in the development of their activities and, in particular, to contribute to the compliance with the safety objectives from the Programme.

The commitment of Spain is:

- a) Ensure that all the activities to be oversighted achieve a high level of safety, through a continuous improvement process in the level of safety performance that complements the prescriptive observance of the current regulations in force.
- b) Ensure that the staff in service of public organizations related to the Programme that perform their duties related to safety, is aware of their functional responsibilities and their responsibility related to the fulfilment of the safety objectives, and that is trained and has the proper knowledge and experience, in accordance with the applicable regulation in force, to capably carry out their responsibilities.
- c) Ensure that, within the State, the national and international requirements and standards related to aviation safety are met.
- d) Foster and develop regulation, when necessary to enlarge or complement the international regulation, and in particular, those from the European Union, with institutional loyalty, and with the required consultation with all the aviation sectors involved. This development will be founded in the principles of safety management, based on a profound and detailed analysis of the Spanish civil aviation system.
- e) Collaborate with international organizations, and in particular with the European Commission, the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization), to improve the level of safety in aviation sector within and outside of our borders.
- f) Foster a safety culture at organizational level, both within the public organizations responsible of the application of the Programme and in the aviation service and products providers, that develop safety tasks, increase safety information exchange and thus enhance safety.
- g) Promote and facilitate to the aviation industry the learning and assimilation of concepts and principles of safety management.
- h) Support safety management in Spain through an effective system to detect, notify and assess occurrences or other safety related information that the reporter perceive as a potential or real hazard for safety.
- i) Ensure that the regulatory provisions concerning protection and use of safety information, as well as protection to the reporter, are met and their principles respected, in pursuit of just culture development.
- j) Encourage good safety practices and the development of networks for safety data exchange and risk assessment in a collaborative way within the aviation sector.
- k) Interact in an effective manner with service and product providers for the resolution of the safety aspects that have been identified as a result from the collected safety information analysis.
- l) Monitor the implementation of safety management systems and equivalent systems by Spanish service and product providers obliged by the Programme.

m) Establish the procedures to assign the adequate human and financial resources, within the State, for safety management and oversight.

The responsibility/accountability related to the achievement of safety objectives will be share in the following way:

a) The superior body responsible to foster the Programme is the Secretary of State on Infrastructures, Transportation and Housing within the Ministry of Development. This body is the maximum responsible within the Spanish State of the achievements of the safety related objectives of the Programme.

b) Together with the previous superior body, the public organizations responsible of the application of the Programme are committed, inasmuch as their activities have influence in the achievement of the safety objectives of the Programme, to allocate the human and financial resources obtained through their respective budget resources.

The public staff from public organizations responsible for the application of the Programme, who perform duties contributing to the achievement of safety objectives from the Programme, are committed to develop those duties in accordance with the principles of safety management that govern the Programme.