



Agenda Item 7: Review of amendments to ICAO AIS documentation and approval of the new PANS-IM.

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT 43 TO ANNEX 15 – AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION SERVICES AND DOC. 10066 – PANS-AIM
(Presented by Secretariat)

SUMMARY	
This working paper presents the approval of the first edition of Doc. 10199 – PANS-IM	
References:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report of SAM/AIM/16• State Letter Ref.: AN 2/2.8-24/40 dated 5 April 2024• State Letter Ref.: AN 2/33.1-24/42 dated 22 April 2024• State Letter Ref.: AN 2/12-24/46 dated 23 April 2024	
Strategic objectives from ICAO:	<i>A – Operational Safety</i> <i>B – Capacity and efficiency</i>

1. Introduction

1.1 At SAM/AIM/16, the Secretariat reported on the proposed amendments to Annex 15 and Doc. 10066 PANS-AIM as a consequence of the amendment of other ICAO documents and the proposal to create new documents.

1.2 By letter to the States, dated April 12, ICAO communicated the approval of Amendment 43 to Annex 15 – Aeronautical Information Services.

1.3 By letter to the States, dated April 22, ICAO communicated the approval of Amendment 3 to the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Aeronautical Information Management (PANS-AIM, Doc 10066).

1.4 By letter to the States, dated April 23, ICAO communicated the approval of Amendment 34 to Doc. 8400 – PANS-ABC.

2. Discussion

2.1 At SAM/AIM/16, the Secretariat informed the States that proposed amendments to AIS documentation (Annex 15 and Doc. 10066) had been introduced due to the proposal of the first edition of PANS-IM and the proposal of the first edition of PANS-MET.

Amendment 43 to ICAO Annex 15

2.2 ICAO approved Amendment 43 to Annex 15 – Aeronautical Information Services. Amendment 43 incorporates into Annex 15 – Aeronautical Information Services the competency-based training and assessment (CBTA) methodology, system-wide information management (SWIM), and information security, as well as editorial changes.

2.3 ICAO, in its letter circulated to the States, has requested the following actions:

- a) Notify any disapproval before 22 July 2024;
- b) Notify compliance and differences before 28 October 2024; and
- c) Consider using the Electronic Filing of Differences (EFOD) system for the notification of differences and compliance.

2.4 The changes introduced by Amendment 43 to Annex 15 are reflected in Chapter 1, Chapter 3, and Chapter

2.5 The dates to be considered for Amendment 43 to Annex 15 are:

- a) Effective date: 22 July 2024;
- b) Applicability date: 28 November 2024;
- c) Integrated applicability date(s):

2.6 The essential steps that States must follow to implement Amendment 43 to Annex 15 are:

- a) Identification of the regulatory process necessary to incorporate the new and modified ICAO provisions into national regulations;
- b) Creation of a national implementation plan that takes into account the modified ICAO provisions;
- c) Conducting a gap analysis between the new ICAO provisions and national regulations;
- d) Drafting the necessary amendments to national regulations;
- e) Official adoption of the national regulations and means of compliance;
- f) Modification of the oversight framework according to the new national regulations;
- g) Notification of differences to ICAO, if necessary;
- h) Publication of significant differences in the Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP).
- i) Implementation of the new regulations by Aeronautical Information Services (AIS) providers; and
- j) State oversight of the implementation of the regulations.

Amendment 3 to Doc. 10066 – PANS-AIM

2.7 In April of this year, ICAO communicated the approval of Amendment 3 to the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Aeronautical Information Management (PANS-AIM, Doc 10066). Amendment 3 to the PANS-AIM aims to address the requirements and procedures related to:

- a) Aircraft with folding wingtips, competency-based training and assessment (CBTA), consistency of data in various aeronautical information products, editorial changes, and system-wide information management (SWIM);
- b) Initial implementation of Flight and Flow Information for a Collaborative Environment (FF-ICE); and
- c) Navigation specifications and accuracies.

2.8 States should note that regarding the publication of differences, since the PANS do not have the same status as the standards adopted by the Council as Annexes to the Convention, they do not entail the obligation under Article 38 of the Convention to notify differences if not implemented. Nevertheless, States should keep in mind the provisions of Annex 15 — Aeronautical Information Services, which require that Aeronautical Information Publications (AIP) contain a list of significant differences between national procedures and the corresponding ICAO procedures.

Amendment 34 to Doc. 8400 – PANS-ABC

2.9 Amendment 34 to the PANS-ABC includes a consequential amendment related to the initial implementation of the FF-ICE services and an amendment related to the NOTAM code for gliding and paragliding activities.

2.10 The Secretariat invites States to plan the activities indicated in items 2.5 and 2.9.

3. Required action

3.1 The Meeting is invited to:

- a) Note the information contained in the document;
- b) Provide comments regarding items 2.5 and 2.9; and
- c) Consider any other actions deemed necessary.