

Introduction to Annex 15 (16th Edition)

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Background

- Amendment 40 to Annex 15 was adopted by the Council at the sixth meeting of its 213th Session on 9 March 2018 (SL Ref.: AN 2/2.5-18/22 dated 3 April 2018 at Appendix A refers).
- The amendment presents a major restructuring of Annex 15 (second part)
- The changes are aimed at reorganizing the AIM documentation to ensure:
 - high-level requirements are embodied in Annex 15
 - technical specifications and operating procedures are incorporated into the new PANS-AIM (Doc 10066)
 - guidance material is developed to support implementation (Doc 8126; update in progress; another PPT refers)

Summary of Amendment 40

Amendment	Source(s)	Subject	Adopted/Approved Effective Applicable
40	Twelfth meeting of the AIS-AIM Study Group (AIS-AIMSG/12); and second meeting of the Meteorology Panel (METP/2)	 Amendment concerning: a) restructure of Annex 15 to facilitate incorporation of aeronautical information management (AIM) requirements; b) changes to the technical content of Annex 15 to facilitate the transition from AIS to AIM; and c) a consequential amendment in support of space weather information. 	9 March 2018 16 July 2018 8 November 2018



Annex 15 Structure

- Annex 15 (16th Edition), as at Appendix B, includes six chapters as follows:
 - Chapter 1: General
 - Chapter 2: Responsibilities and Functions
 - Chapter 3: Aeronautical Information Management
 - Chapter 4: Scope of Aeronautical Data and Aeronautical Information
 - Chapter 5: Aeronautical Information Products and Services
 - Chapter 6: Aeronautical Information Updates



- Essential steps to be followed by a State to implement the amendment 40 to Annex 15:
 - a) identification of the rule-making process necessary to transpose the new and modified ICAO provisions into national regulations taking into consideration the applicability date;
 - b) establishment of a national implementation plan that takes into account the new and modified ICAO provisions;
 - c) drafting of the modification(s) to the national regulations and means of compliance;
 - d) official adoption of the national regulations and means of compliance;
 - e) filing of State differences with ICAO, if necessary; and
 - f) training of operational staff in the use of new provisions.



Annex 15 Compliance Chacklist

- In line with the Recommendations of the Interregional EUR/MID Workshop on PANS AIM, the Secretariat prepared analysis of changes (compliance checklist) of the 16th Edition of Annex 15, as at Appendix C.
- The spreadsheet is supposed to help States with transposition of requirements and identification of their differences with the Standards of Annex 15.
- Review of the <u>Compliance Checklist</u>





