

Rulemaking challenges in combining two fast developing fields:

Aviation and Medicine

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The institutions



European Court of Justice



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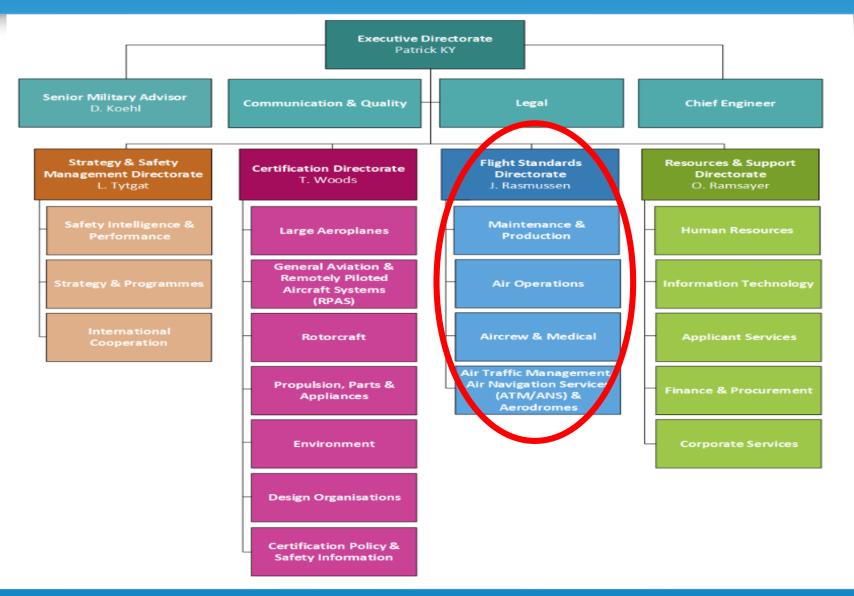


EASA member states and states with WA

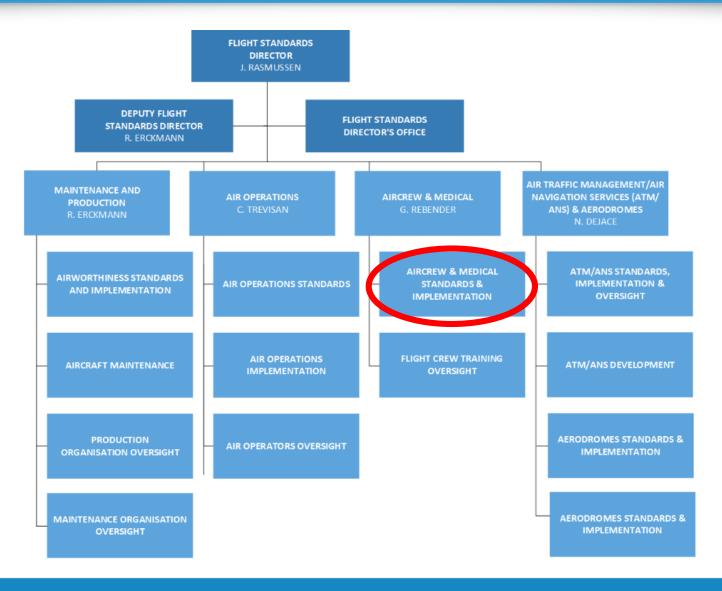




EASA Structure









Aircrew and Medical department

Aircrew and Medical Standards and Implementation Section



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Partnership with EU Member States



Member states

- Implementing EU Legislation
- Oversight of national organisations
 - Production
 - Maintenance
 - OPs/Licencing
 - Training
 - ➤ ATM
 - Aerodromes



- Implementing rules
- Oversight of Member States
- Aircraft and products certification
- Safety of non-EU operations
- Approval of non-EU organisations
 - Production
 - Maintenance
 - Training
 - **▶** ATM



The EU aviation safety system

Proposes rules / issues guidance material

Issues certificates and approvals where centralisation is more efficient

Audits Authorities

Manages European Aviation Safety Plan

Coordinates SAFA programme

European European **Aviation Safety** Commission Agency **National Aviation Authorities** Issue licences, certificates and approvals where centralisation is not more efficient Oversee organisations Implement EU law Conduct ramp inspections Industry

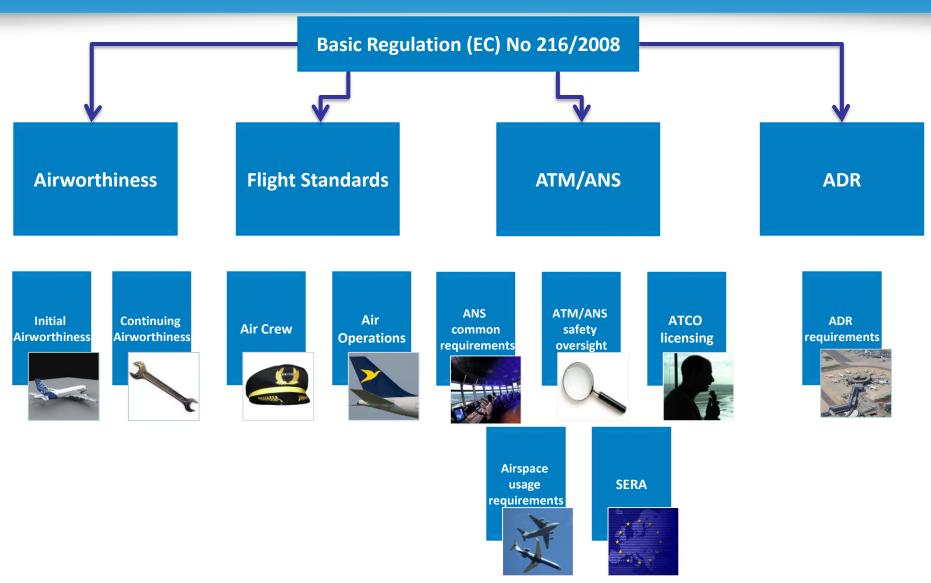
Adopts rules

Launches infringement procedure

Manages Safety List



Current EASA Regulations





New Basic Regulation

Regulation (EC) $216/2008 \longrightarrow \text{Regulation}$ (EU) 2018/1139

'old' BR → NBR





Regulatory Structure

Basic Regulation



Agency Opinion

European Commission European Council European Parliament

Implementing Rules



Agency Opinion

European Commission EU Member States

Soft Law

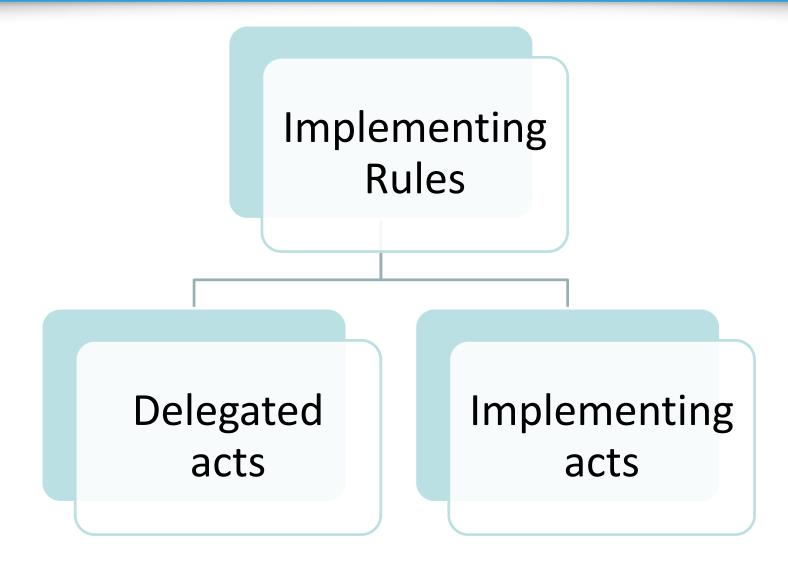
Acceptable Means of Compliance Guidance Material Certification Specifications



Agency Decision AMC, GM, CS



Regulatory Structure - NBR



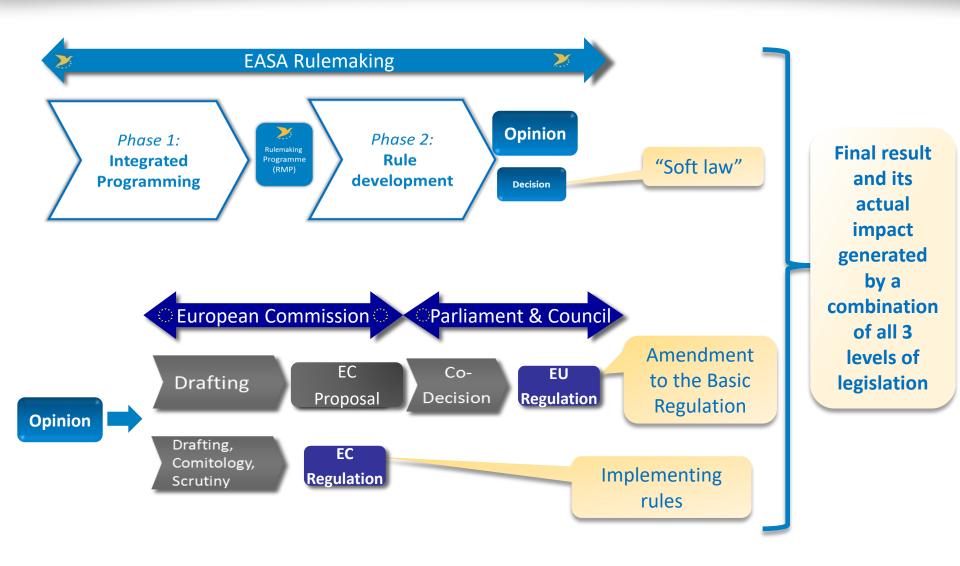


Roles EU aero-medical certification

- ➤ Art.290-Delegated Acts: The Commission has the power to adopt non-legislative acts of general application that supplement or amend certain non-essential elements of a legislative act.
 - ▶ Process: EASA Opinion COM draft regulation; Consultation with MS experts; Inter-service consultation + 4-week feedback for MS; Adoption by EC-EP and Council can object.
- ➤ Art.291-Implementing Acts: Responsibility for implementing legally binding EU acts lies primarily with EU countries. However, some legally binding EU acts require uniform conditions for the implementation. In these cases, the Commission or the Council is empowered to adopt implementing acts. Always voted in the Committee.
 - ➤ <u>Process:</u> EASA Opinion COM draft regulation; Consultation with MS experts; Inter-service consultation + 4-week feedback for MS; Draft IA discussion and vote in Committee; Right of scrutiny EP and Council; Adoption by EC.

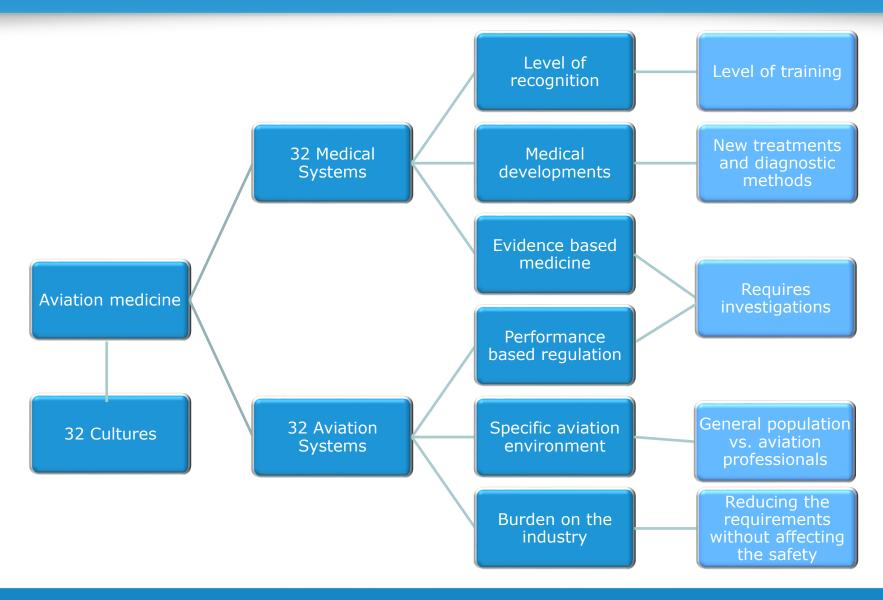


The EU regulatory process





Challenges for the EASA aviation medicine environment





Rulemaking Task RMT.0287

- Scope of RMT.0287 to update Part-MED, Part-ARA and Part ORA IR and related AMC and GM
- ➤ The Task was split in two parts:
 - (a) update of Part-MED and related AMC and GM;
 - (b) update of medical relevant requirements in Part-ARA and Part-ORA
- Objective to review Part-MED to correct any editorial errors, consistency issues or gaps identified through implementation experience



Part-MED NPA and CRD

- NPA 2013-15 'Update of Part-MED'
 - Published on 26 July 2013
 - **→** 392 comments
- CRD 2013-15 'Update of Part-MED'
 - Published on 25 September 2014
 - ▶ 42 reactions to the CRD
- ➤ Following the Germanwings accident the EASA lead Germanwings Taskforce issued 6 recommendations to address the safety concerns
- ➤ Q1 2016 decision to harmonise the draft Part-MED requirements with Germanwings Taskforce recommendation

Part-MED: Achievements

- Safety is enhanced by improving fitness assessment and competency based training for AMEs
- Competency based criteria for renewal/ revalidation of AME Certificates provide flexibility for competent authorities to include previous performance of AMEs in the assessment
- ➤ Enhanced flexibility for class 2 medical certificate holders to support general aviation while maintaining the level of safety required
- Correcting editorial mistakes and ensuring consistency of wording for ease of implementation by the Member States

- Published on 15 August 2016
- Includes:
 - ➤ RMT.0287 Update of Part-MED
 - ➤ RMT.0700 Implementation of Germanwings Taskforce Recommendations
- Positive vote in May 2017 and February 2018
- Stopped during the Scrutiny procedure by the European Council
- Currently is put in the new format by the EC and will be presented for vote by the Member States

Rulemaking activity

- Updated Part-MED expected to be adopted early 2019
- ➤ RMT.0287(b) Update of the medical relevant parts of Part-ARA and Part-ORA NPA published 21.12.2017; 400+ comments received
- ➤ RMT. 0424 Regular update of Part-MED -ToR published on 09 Oct. 2017
- ➤ RMT.0707 Medical Regulation Combine Part-MED and Part ATCO MED ToR scheduled for 2018
 - ➤ To include RPAS operators in class 3 provisions
 - ➤ To include Flight test engineers in class 2 provisions
 - Possibly to amend pilot age restrictions
- ➤ EC and EASA agreed to make a stop for all new EASA opinions until the EC has cleared the backlog of existing opinions.

Rulemaking activity

- Safety promotion
- Implementation support
- Scientific studies Pilot age limits kick-off meeting 14th Nov 2017
- Future projects under consideration
 - Colour vision
 - ➤ HIV
 - Risk assessment tool



Thank you for your attention!



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