

ICAO Annex 9 – Facilitation

Electronic Filling of Differences (EFOD) System



Annex 9: compliance with ICAO SARPs

□ <u>E</u>lectronic <u>F</u>iling <u>O</u>f <u>D</u>ifferences (EFOD)

- → Compliance Issues with regard to Annex 9;
- → Background & Introduction;
- → ICAO's role in maintaining the EFOD System;
- → States' role in making entries into the EFOD System;
- → Understanding the EFOD System;
- → How to make entries into the EFOD System;
- → Report on entries into the Annex 9 CC;
- → Potential EFOD problems faced by States.



Annex 9: compliance with ICAO SARPs

- Article 38, Chicago Convention + Assembly Resolutions
- Means of Determination of Compliance:
 - Response to SL on adoption of a new Amendment (compliance/differences) [EFOD entries];
 - → Audits of Annex 9 Standards under USAP- & USOPA-CMAs;
 - → Response to SARP-specific SLs (e.g. API; 3.11.1; SLTD);
 - → Information in Aeronautical Information Publications (AIPs) filed under Annex 15;
 - → Unofficial information from various sources (e.g. Regional Offices, FAL Contacts).



Annex 9: compliance with ICAO SARPs

☐ Non-compliance Reasons

- → Gaps in communication between ICAO and States;
 - delays in delivering documentation to responsible party
 - difficulties in identifying responsible party (<u>SL sent to CAA</u>)
 - → Health; Immigration; Quarantine; Customs; Travel document-issuing authorities; Disability agency; Law enforcement, etc.
- → SARPs address non-State entities;
- → Insufficient resources within States;
- → Costs of implementation;
- → Difficulty in comprehending and interpreting Annex material;
- → Differing interpretation by individual States of SARPs;
- → Etc.



EFOD: background

- Old paper-based notification: laborious, time-consuming, delayed;
- □ 2011-2013: Phased implementation for all Annexes (except A9 & A17):
 - → Jan 2011, CC data from 153 States were migrated into the EFOD system;
 - \rightarrow April 2011 SL AN 1/1-11/28, States requested to:
 - Recognize EFOD as an alternative means of filing of differences;
 - Verify and confirm the data in EFOD which had previously been submitted through CC under USOAP;
 - → Annex 9 in EFOD from Amendment 24 (2014).



EFOD: introduction

- Dynamic & on-demand research tool;
- More accessible, efficient, timely means for notifying differences & disseminating information;

EFOD provides:

- ✓ A list of States who have verified differences;
- ✓ Completeness of data reporting for a selected State;
- ✓ Differences per Annex for a selected State;
- ✓ Differences of all States per a selected provision.



EFOD: introduction

☐ ACRONYMS

- CC: Compliance Checklist (contains information on implementation of SARPs);
- CMA: Continuous Monitoring Approach
- PQ: Protocol Question
- **USAP**: <u>Universal Security Audit Programme</u>
- USOAP: Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme



EFOD System Users

Data providers: Users who have read and write access

Users authorized to <u>provide and validate</u> information in the EFOD System

Data consumers: Users who have read-only access

Users granted access to <u>view and research</u> information on the EFOD System

→ Each user is assigned an access level based on the user's roles and responsibilities



EFOD: ICAO's role

AS A DATA PROVIDER	AS A DATA CONSUMER
READ/WRITE updating Annex information	READ-only access to all State's information on differences to Annex 9 Standards and compliance checklist information on all SARPs
(i.e. enter information on amended SARPs)	
	(Validate compliance/differences information)

- + General maintenance of EFOD System:
- → System performance management
- → Improvement of functionalities

EFOD: States' roles

AS A DATA PROVIDER	AS A DATA CONSUMER
READ/WRITE insert a State's compliance/difference information regarding an Annex	READ-only access to its own State's Annex information
<u>UPDATE information</u> on amended Annex	
Ensure quality of information entered	

Manage data providers and keep information upto-date (e.g. no replication or inaccuracy of information due to multiple users)

READ-only access to validated compliance/differences information of all other States



EFOD: Differences vs. CC

	FILING OF DIFFERENCES	COMPLETION OF CC
MANDATE	Article 38 of the ConventionAssembly Resolutions	MOUs signed between a Member State and ICAO
INDICATION OF LEVEL OF IMPLEMENTATION	 Standards (Mandatory) Recommended Practices (urged) 	Standards (Mandatory)Recommended Practices (Mandatory)
INFORMATION REQUIRED	 Difference category Description of the difference Reasons for difference 	 Difference category Description of the difference Reasons for difference Reference to corresponding national regulation



EFOD: Access control

- 1. State nominates National Continuous Monitoring Coordinator (NCMC);
- 2. ICAO grants user account(s) to NCMC(s);
- 3. NCMC(s) manage user accounts for their State including issuing of additional user accounts and deactivating of invalid user accounts;
- 4. FAL access to EFOD through NCMC.









