

EASA Decision not to adopt FAA AD 2020-03-11

EASA considerations, leading to the decision not to adopt Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) AD 2020-03-11

On 12 February 2020, the FAA issued [AD 2020-03-11](#), applicable to certain Boeing 707, 720 and 720B aeroplanes.

That AD requires modification of the fuel quantity indicating system (FQIS) to prevent development of an ignition source inside the centre fuel tank due to electrical fault conditions.

No Boeing service instructions are currently available to comply with the modification requirements of the AD.

EASA is not in possession of sufficient data to allow determination of an unsafe condition and to support corrective action that would be proportionate to the risk. Consequently, there is insufficient justification to warrant the actions as required by FAA AD 2020-03-11.

Another consideration is that, at this time, no Boeing 707, 720 or 720B aeroplanes are known to be registered in EASA Member States.

For the reasons described above, EASA has decided not to adopt FAA AD 2020-03-11.

However, EASA is considering possible alternative action(s) to mitigate the safety risk addressed by FAA AD 2020-03-11, in case affected aeroplanes are known to be operating under EU regulation. In that regard, EASA will be closely coordinating with the design approval holder and the FAA for obtaining and accessing additional data.

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