EASA Position regarding
TCCA AD CF-2021-53 –
Not eligible for adoption

EASA considerations, leading to the conclusion that Transport Canada Civil Aviation (TCCA) AD CF-2021-53 is not eligible for adoption

On 24 December 2021, TCCA issued AD CF-2021-53, applicable to helicopters, if equipped with a radio (also known as radar) altimeter.

That AD requires a revision of the Rotorcraft Flight Manual (RFM) to incorporate limitations prohibiting certain operations requiring radio altimeter data when operating in U.S. airspace (see Figure 1 to paragraphs (A) and (B) of the AD), when in the presence of 5G C-Band interference as identified by Notices to Air Missions (NOTAMs).

The Applicability of TCCA AD CF-2021-53 provides a list of affected helicopter design approval holders which includes design approval holders of helicopter types for which TCCA does not represent the State of Design.

For the reasons described above, TCCA AD CF-2021-53 is not eligible for adoption by EASA under the provisions of ED Decision 2019/018/ED.

EASA has not been able to determine the presence of an unsafe condition but continues to closely coordinate with the affected design approval holders before deciding if mandatory action is warranted.

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