Flight training and flight tests for specialised endorsements (CD 2304FS)

# Overview

We are seeking feedback on an instrument that will establish a tailored system for training, assessment, grant, and exercise of:

* sling operations endorsements
* winch and rappelling operations endorsements
* firefighting endorsements.

You told us practical barriers to the efficient conduct of flight training and entry control assessment for these specialised endorsements have emerged since the flight crew licensing rules commenced in 2014.

The proposed instrument seeks to overcome these barriers by addressing:

* entry criteria and prerequisites for new pilots seeking a specialised endorsement
* training and assessment requirements for the grant of specialised endorsements
* supervision requirements and maintenance of competency following grant of an endorsement
* entry criteria and prerequisites for people who conduct specialised endorsement training for Part 138 or Part 137 of the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations (CASR) operators
* maintenance of competency for persons conducting training
* requirements for Part 138 or Part 137 of CASR operators who elect to conduct the training and facilitate the assessment and grant of specialised endorsements.

The instrument will be in place by late-May 2023.

# **Opportunity to comment**

Your feedback will help us make sure the proposed requirements are suitable, the final instrument is clear and will work as intended.

Please submit your comments using the survey link on this page.

If you are unable to provide feedback via the survey link, please email regulatoryconsultation@casa.gov.au for advice.

# **Documents for review**

Documents related to this consultation are attached in the ‘Related’ section at the bottom of the page. These are:

* Summary of proposed change on CD 2304FS – this document is the summary of the proposals in the draft instrument
* Consultation Draft - CASA XX/23 – Flight Training and Flight Tests for Grant of Certain Endorsements (Sling, Winching and Rappelling, Firefighting) Approval 2023 – this document is the draft instrument
* Explanation document - this document provides an explanation of the intent and effect of each provision in the draft instrument
* MS Word copy of online consultation – CASA XX/23 — Flight Training and Flight Tests for Grant of Certain Endorsements (Sling, Winching and Rappelling, Firefighting) Approval 2023 (CD 2304FS)

# **What happens next**

At the end of the response period, we will:

* review all comments received
* make responses publicly available on the consultation hub (unless you request your submission remain confidential)
* publish a Summary of Consultation which summarises the feedback received and outlines any intended changes and next steps.

Feedback that improves the proposed instrument will be incorporated into the final instrument.

In due course, we will amend CASR (Part 61, Part 137, Part 138, and Part 141 of CASR) to incorporate the provisions of the final instrument.

# Give Us Your Views [Appears on the overview page at the bottom]

Online Survey [This link is on the front page of the survey and takes you to the survey questions]

**Related**

**Related Consultations**

List of links to related consultations

[Consultation on Proposal to improve training and assessment for aerial mustering endorsements (CD 2217FS) - Civil Aviation Safety Authority - Citizen Space (casa.gov.au)](https://consultation.casa.gov.au/regulatory-program/cd-2217fs/)

**Related Documents**

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# **Audience & Interest groups**

**Audience**

* Air operators (Part 137)
* Flight instructors and flight examiners
* Flight training organisations
* Pilots
* Part 142 operators
* Part 141 operators
* Air transport operations – rotorcraft (Part 133)
* Aerial work operator (Part 138)

**Interest**

* Licensing
* Flight training
* Training and checking systems

# Page 1. Comments on the proposed instrument

If you intend to comment on Proposed instrument CASA XX/23 - Flight Training and Flight Tests for Grant of Certain Endorsements (Sling, Winching and Rappelling, Firefighting) Approval (CD 2304FS), we will ask you for:

* **personal information**, such as your name, any organisation you represent, and your email address
* **your consent** to publish your submission
* **your responses** to the proposed changes in the regulations
* **any comments** you may want to provide
* **demographic information** to help us understand your interest in the instrument

Our [website](https://www.casa.gov.au/rules/changing-rules/consultation-industry-and-public)<https://www.casa.gov.au/rules/changing-rules/consultation-industry-and-public>, contains more information on making a submission and what we do with your feedback.

# Page 2. Personal information

## First name

(Required)

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## Last name

(Required)

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## Email address

If you enter your email address, you will automatically receive an acknowledgement email when you submit your response.

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## Do your views officially represent those of an organisation?

## (Required)

Please select only one item

[ ]  Yes, I am authorised to submit feedback on behalf of an organisation.

[ ]  No, these are my personal views.

If yes, please specify the name of your organisation.

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Which of the following best describes the group you represent?

Please select all that apply

[ ]  Pilot

[ ]  Aerial work operator (Part 138)

[ ]  Part 137 operator

[ ]  Part 142 operator

[ ]  Part 141 operator

[ ]  Flight instructor

[ ]  Flight examiner

[ ]  Other

Please specify ‘Other’ if selected.

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# Page 3. Consent to publish submission [Standard page]

To provide transparency and promote debate, we intend to publish all responses to this consultation. This may include both detailed responses/submissions in full and aggregated data drawn from the responses received.

Where you consent to publication, we will include:

* **your last name** if the submission is made by you as an individual or
* **the name of the organisation** on whose behalf the submission has been made
* **your responses** and comments

We **will not** include any other personal or demographic information in a published response.

Do you give permission for your response to be published?

*(Required)*

*Please select only one item*

[ ]  Yes - I give permission for my response/submission to be published.

[ ]  No - I would like my response/submission to remain confidential but understand that de-identified aggregate data may be published.

[ ]  I am a CASA officer.

Information about how we consult and how to make a confidential submission is available on our [**website**](https://www.casa.gov.au/rules/changing-rules/consultation-industry-and-public)<https://www.casa.gov.au/rules/changing-rules/consultation-industry-and-public>.

# Page 4. How the proposed instrument will work in practice

The proposed instrument - CASA XX/23 - Flight Training and Flight Tests for Grant of Certain Endorsements (Sling, Winching and Rappelling, Firefighting) Approval 2023 - would establish a tailored system for training, assessment, grant and exercise of certain specialised endorsements (sling operations, winch and rappelling operations, and firefighting).

The proposed instrument addresses:

* entry criteria and prerequisites for new pilots seeking a specialised endorsement
* training and assessment requirements for the grant of a specialised endorsement
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* entry criteria and prerequisites for people who conduct specialised endorsement training for Part 138 or Part 137 of the Civil Aviation Safety Regulations (CASR) operators
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## Do you have any comments about the proposed instrument?

## Comments

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