

AEROSPACE INFORMATION REPORT

SAE AIR5401

REV. A

Issued 2001-08
Reaffirmed 2007-07
Stabilized 2013-09
Superseding AIR5401

Aircraft Crash Axes

RATIONALE

The information contained in the document remains valid and appropriate, and it is not expected to change in the foreseeable future.

STABILIZED NOTICE

This document has been declared "Stabilized" by the SAE S-9 Cabin Safety Provisions Committee, and will no longer be subjected to periodic reviews for currency. Users are responsible for verifying references and continued suitability of technical requirements. Newer technology may exist.

SAE Technical Standards Board Rules provide that: "This report is published by SAE to advance the state of technical and engineering sciences. The use of this report is entirely voluntary, and its applicability and suitability for any particular use, including any patent infringement arising therefrom, is the sole responsibility of the user."

SAE reviews each technical report at least every five years at which time it may be revised, reaffirmed, stabilized, or cancelled. SAE invites your written comments and suggestions.

Copyright © 2013 SAE International

All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system or transmitted, in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise, without the prior written permission of SAE.

TO PLACE A DOCUMENT ORDER: Tel: 877-606-7323 (inside USA and Canada)
Tel: +1 724-776-4970 (outside USA)
Fax: 724-776-0790
Email: CustomerService@sae.org
<http://www.sae.org>

SAE WEB ADDRESS:

Full document details: [SAE AIR5401A](#)

SAE values your input. To provide feedback
on this Technical Report, please visit
<http://www.sae.org/technical/standards/AIR5401A>

Documents

Document Sharing Hub

1. SCOPE:

This SAE Aerospace Information Report (AIR) provides information demonstrating the need for establishing design and performance standards for aircraft crash axes.

1.1 Purpose:

The purpose of this AIR is to provide information concerning the regulation and use of aircraft crash axes. These axes are required by regulations specified below. They are intended for use by aircraft crew members to assist in evacuation, extrication, fire fighting, or other emergency activities.

2. REFERENCES:

2.1 Applicable Documents:

The following publications form a part of this specification to the extent specified herein. The latest issue of SAE publications shall apply. The applicable issue of other publications shall be the issue in effect on the date of the purchase order. In the event of conflict between the text of this document and references cited herein, the text of this document takes precedence. Nothing in this document, however, supersedes applicable laws and regulations unless a specific exemption has been obtained.