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Foreword

Introduction

This CAP has been published to assist organisations in determining procedures and Operations Manual guidance to operate civil search and rescue helicopters in the UK.

Gender

References to the masculine gender used for convenience in this document apply equally to the feminine gender, where appropriate.

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Abbreviations and definitions

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AED	Automated External Defibrillator
AMC	Acceptable Means of Compliance
AME	Aero Medical Examiner
ANO	Air Navigation Order
AOC	Air Operator's Certificate
ARCC	Aeronautical Rescue Coordination Centre
ATPL	Airline Transport Pilot's Licence
ATS	Air Traffic Services
CAA	Civil Aviation Authority
CAP	Civil Aviation Publication
CAT	Commercial Air Transport
CPL	Commercial Pilot's Licence
CRM	Crew Resource Management
DfT	Department for Transport
EASA	European Aviation Safety Agency
EASA Ops	EASA Air Operations Regulation
EU	European Union
FC	Flight Crew
FTL	Flight Time Limitations
HEMS	Helicopter Emergency Medical Services
HHO	Helicopter Hoist Operations
IAMSAR	International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue
IDE	Instruments, data, equipment
JRCC	Joint Rescue Coordination Centre
LIMSAR	Limited Search and Rescue
LVO	Low Visibility Operations
MCA	Maritime and Coastguard Agency
Medevac	Medical Evacuation
MEL	Minimum Equipment List

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MLR	Manual, Logs and Records
MRCC	Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre
MRT	Mountain Rescue Team
NAA	National Aviation Authority
NVIS	Night Vision Imaging Systems
Part-CAT	EASA Ops Annex IV - Commercial Air Transport Operations
Part-FCL	EASA Aircrew Regulation Annex I - Flight Crew Licensing
Part-ORO	EASA Ops Annex III - Organisation Requirements for Air Operations
Part-SPA	EASA Ops Annex V - Specific Approvals
Part-SPO	EASA Ops Annex VIII - Specialised Operations
PT	Public Transport
RNLI	Royal National Lifeboat Institution
SAR	Search and Rescue
SOLAS	Safety of Life at Sea
TC	Technical Crew
UKSRR	UK SAR Region
UNCLOS	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
VFR	Visual Flight Rules
VMC	Visual Meteorological Conditions

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