



Civil Aviation Authority
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Minimum Number of Authorised Persons in the Flight Crew Compartment

This Information Notice contains information that is for guidance and/or awareness.

Recipients are asked to ensure that this Information Notice is copied to all members of their staff who may have an interest in the information (including any 'in-house' or contracted maintenance organisations and relevant outside contractors).

Applicability:	
Aerodromes:	Not primarily affected
Air Traffic:	Not primarily affected
Airspace:	Not primarily affected
Airworthiness:	Not primarily affected
Flight Operations:	All AOC Holders
Licensed/Unlicensed Personnel:	Not primarily affected

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Based on the information currently available following the tragic events of Germanwings flight 4U9525, and pending the outcome of the official investigation, the CAA, in consultation with the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), has decided to issue this Information Notice. This Information Notice will be reviewed in the light of any new information concerning the accident investigation or the implementation of this Information Notice.

2 Scope

- 2.1 This Information Notice applies to the operators UK registered aeroplanes subject to Commission Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 Part-ORO.SEC.100(b) and operated with more than one cabin crew.

3 Recommendation

- 3.1 The CAA recommends that operators re-assess the safety and security risks associated with flight crew members leaving the flight crew compartment due to operational or physiological needs during non-critical phases of flight. It is further recommended that, based on this assessment, operators implement procedures requiring at least two persons authorised in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 Part-CAT.GEN.MPA.135 to be in the flight crew compartment at all times, or other equivalent mitigating measures to address risks identified by the operator's revised assessment.

- 3.2 Of particular importance, any additional risks stemming from the introduction of such procedures or measures should be assessed and mitigated.

4 Queries

- 4.1 Any queries or requests for further guidance as a result of this Information Notice should be addressed to the AOC Holder's assigned CAA Flight Operations Inspector.

5 Cancellation

- 5.1 This Information Notice will remain in force until 30 June 2015.