



## GACA Regulation Circular No. R-15A-2010

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TO: ALL GACA CERTIFICATE HOLDERS & SERVICE PROVIDERS REQUIRING SMS UNDER GACAR SECTION 21

SUBJECT: Safety Management Systems – Compliance with GACAR Section 21

In accordance with the Civil Aviation Act of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) as approved by the Council of Ministers Resolution No. 185 dated 17/07/1426H and issued by the Royal Decree No. M/44 dated 18/07/1426H. (23/08/2005G), and based on the authority granted in Article 179 of the Act, the following Regulations are issued under the authority of the President of General Authority of Civil Aviation, as a duly delegated representative of the GACA Board of Directors, in accordance with Order No.T-41, dated 30/12/1429H (28/12/2008G).

Notwithstanding contrary provisions in Chapter 2, Paragraph 2.2.1 of GACAR Section 21, Safety Management Systems, the GACA requires that:

With effect from May 01, 2014;

All GACA Certificate holders or service providers requiring SMS as specified under Section 21 shall submit no later than December 31, 2014 the following requirements to GACA Safety Department of Safety & Economic Regulation for acceptance:

- A Safety Management System manual appropriate to the size and operation of the organization along with its related ERP and any referred organization documents.
- An SMS implementation plan in accordance with Chapter 10 of GACAR Section 21 that ensures the organization's full compliance with Section 21 requirements by December 31, 2016.

A minimum compliance of Section 21 implementation plan phases 1 & 2 are



required for the acceptance of the organization's SMS.

Note:

1. Certificate holders and service providers may elect, but are not required, to follow a phased implementation as described in Chapter 10 of GACAR Section 21 - Safety Management System if meeting the minimum requirement and assigned dates above.
2. Guidance on safety management systems is contained in the ICAO Safety Management Manual (SMM) (ICAO Document 9859) which is available on [www.icao.int/fsix](http://www.icao.int/fsix).

This Circular supersedes GACA Regulation Circular No R-15-2010.

This Circular, GACA Guidance Material (GACA 19-02), and GACAR Sections 21 & 19 are published at the GACA official website: <http://www.gaca.gov.sa>

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