



Welcome !

**"Safety Management, Airworthiness, Quality Escapes;
"Victim or Enabler"**

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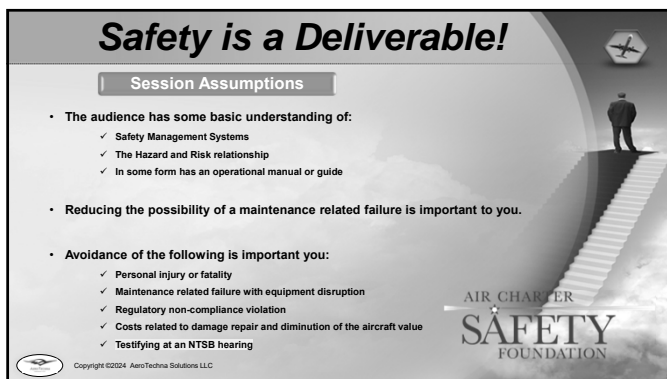
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Len Beauchemin – Who is this guy?

- 43 years: CFR Operating Environments: 91,135,145
- A&P/IA/Private Pilot, Aircraft Owner
- FAA National AMT & PAMA 1997
- Industry Steering Committee Chair – MSG-3 1994 to current
- IBAC – IS-BAO Standards Board Vice Chair/member – 2001 to current
- NBAA – Maintenance charter member 1996 to current , previous chair 1998
- A4A Maintenance Program Industry Group board member 2000 to current
- Scheduled Maintenance Program Development, MSG-3, training provider
FAA/TCCA/ (contracts) Military, Airline, Industry
- Operations/Acquisitions/Auditor/Expert Witness – CFR 91, 125,135,145
- Current operator of international/foreign registered aircraft

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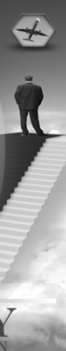
Session Assumptions

- The audience has some basic understanding of:
 - ✓ Safety Management Systems
 - ✓ The Hazard and Risk relationship
 - ✓ In some form has an operational manual or guide
- Reducing the possibility of a maintenance related failure is important to you.
- Avoidance of the following is important you:
 - ✓ Personal injury or fatality
 - ✓ Maintenance related failure with equipment disruption
 - ✓ Regulatory non-compliance violation
 - ✓ Costs related to damage repair and diminution of the aircraft value
 - ✓ Testifying at an NTSB hearing

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Session Goals


What is Maintenance failure? What can create maintenance failure patterns?

Managing maintenance failures in a method where the **thought process must be first and the behavior second**.

The goal of avoiding maintenance failure is **not** analytics of process, reports, measuring, policies, etc. Seek and achieve continuous performance standards.

The goal is the **realistic management of the risk to an acceptable level of occurrence** with respect to the nature of the risks and the nature of failures, in that some type of loss is possible.

Review tools available to mitigate risks to **an acceptable level**



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Workshop Overview Journey

1. General Intro
2. Safety is a Deliverable
3. Quality Escapes – Industry Perspective
4. Global Harmonized Safety
5. Safety in the “Wild Blue Yonder” Primary Elements
6. The “Airworthiness Concept”
7. “Perspectives” that frame the mind – “Failures”
8. Aviation Maintenance Synopsis
9. Define Failure “Expectations”
10. Aviation Maintenance SMS
11. “Choices” and Risks
12. Safety is a Deliverable - *closing*




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Quality Escapes: “Victim or Enabler”



Elevate your Influence

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Be a leader, normalize your knowledge level to drive greater success for others.



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Takeaways:
Failure Mitigation Choices
SMS Maintenance Debrief
Training Brief Document



ELEVATE YOUR DELIVERABLE

Safe

Airworthy


Compliance

Failure

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First, engage with some self-reflection on **"your"** current behavioral norms, as these will underpin your career.



Responsibility & Accountability

Perspectives

Expectations

Choices

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Industry Perspective:

- Commercial
- Military
- Private



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Tools to escape the “quality escape”



Post World Star Blogpost

Improper installation of brake parts led American Airlines flight to overrun DFW runway, report says



Who has experienced a quality escape occurrence on an aircraft?

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**Do “quality escapes” exist in all aircraft?
...in what form?**

- Assembly nonconformance
- Material flaws
- Mistakes & errors
- Physical damage

What is preventable?

What is acceptable?

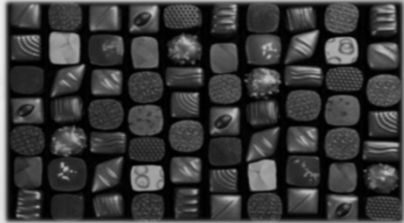
What is a “quality escape” event?



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Aircraft “Quality Escapes” like a box of chocolates...



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Box of “quality escapes”



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Technical preparedness of the aircraft to complete the mission.



An assembly of defects, errors and mistakes ready for flight!

Airworthy & Mission Ready

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Quality Escapes an Industry Challenge



- What you can prevent?
- Why you can prevent?
- How you can prevent?

I will strive to:

Elevate your perspective, expectations and choices related to aircraft technical preparedness for a mission.

Incentivize your initiative



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Quality Escapes



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Quotes to frame the mind

"What we hope ever to do with ease we may learn first to do with diligence."

Samuel Johnson, author

"We make our world significant by the courage of our questions
and by the depth of our answers."

Carl Sagan, astronomer and writer



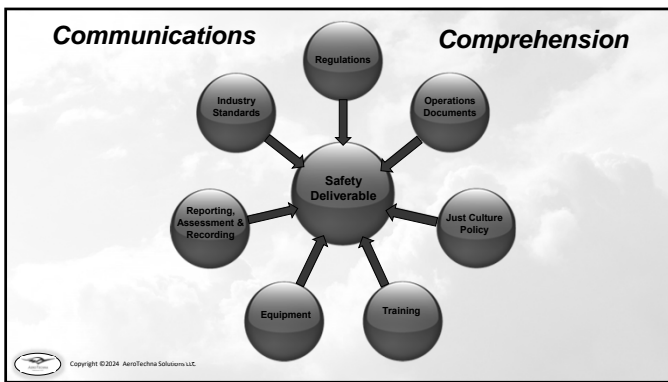
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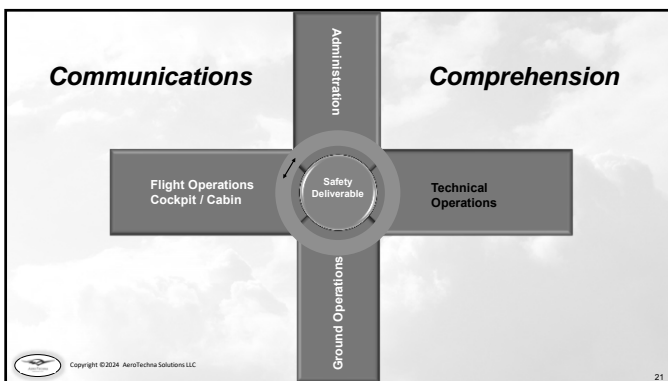
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Thoughts on awareness

...let's be situationally aware.

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Communication

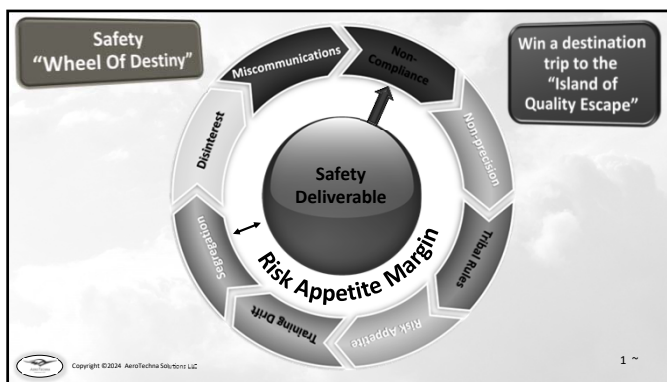
1. Regulations
2. Operations Documents
3. Just Culture Policy
4. Training
5. Equipment
6. Reporting, Assessment & Recording
7. Industry Standards


Comprehension

1. Disinterest
2. Miscommunications
3. Non-Compliance
4. Non-precision
5. Tribal Rules
6. Risk Appetite
7. Training Drift
8. Segregation


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You crash landed on the Island of "Quality Escapes". You survived...

You have 5 minute to send this message to a colleague whom will do your job until you return:

Please ensure that you do this task/action to keep our operation running smoothly.

?

Does your team have aligned priorities?

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**Aircraft management objectives
and opportunities for failure!**



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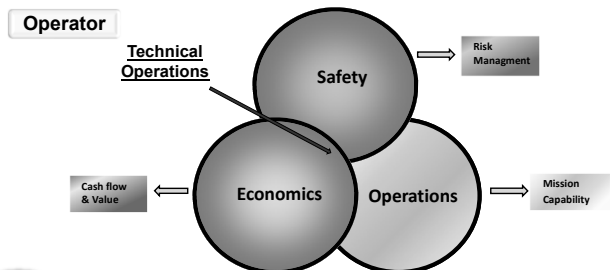
Aviation Universe



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Primary Operating Metrics

CASM – cost per available seat mile

RASM – revenue per available seat mile

DOC – direct operating cost

Reliability – on time delivery

Availability – on demand access

Compliance – meeting the standard

Readiness – ability to accomplish mission

Are we in the
business of
“safety”?

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Objectives: 4 Strategic Performance Targets



Regulatory

- Compliance
- Operations
- Maintenance
- Records



Operational

- Reliability
- Availability
- Capability
- Maintainability
- SMS (RISK)
- User Friendly
- Use Configurations (i.e. seats, cargo, etc.)



Financial

- DOC/CASM/RASM
- Market Value
- Tax Impact
- Capital Investment
- Cash Flow
- Lease Cycle
- Liquidity
- Insurance



Owner/PAX Expectation

- Travel Experience
- Efficiency
- Return on Investment
- Product Quality
- Ramp Appeal
- Flexibility
- Safety



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Compliance a path to “Airworthiness” to achieve “Safety”

- Compliance to what? ...and why?
- Is Airworthiness a point in time?
- Must I sustain “type design”?
- Who determines condition for safe operation?
- Who establishes the standards of risk?



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Compliance Environment

- Does compliance matter, why?
 - Avoidance of dramatic variation
- Why is that important?
 - To avoid being vulnerable



Compliance with what?




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What am I required to do ?



What is


- Regulatory
- Mandatory
- Advisory
- Optional

14 CFR § 91.409 - Inspections.
(f) *Selection of inspection program* under *paragraph (c)* of this section. The registered owner or operator of each airplane or turbine-powered *rotocraft* described in *paragraph (a)* of this section must select, identify in the *aircraft maintenance* records, and use one of the following programs for the inspection of the aircraft:

- Scheduled Maintenance (ATA Chapter 5, Maintenance Planning Document, OPSPEC)?
- Airworthiness Limitations?
- Service Bulletins?
- Airworthiness Directives?
- Component: Technical Standard Order Maintenance (Component Maintenance Manual) ?
- Operational Maintenance Regulations CFR 91.121,135?
- Loose Equipment service recommendations?
- STC/Alteration Instructions for Continued Airworthiness?
- Structural Repair Limitations Special Inspections and limitations?

Regulatory Compliance

- Operations
- Maintenance
- Records

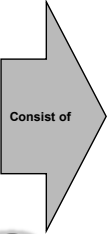


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Scheduled Maintenance: The Maintenance Planning Document



- Airworthiness Directives,
- Service Bulletins (SB/Service Letters)
- Replacement of Life-Limited Parts (LLPs)
- Replacement of components for periodic overhaul or repair
- Special inspections
- Lubrication and servicing
- Tasks identified in the Maintenance Review Board Report (MRBR)
- Airworthiness Limitations Items (ALIs)
- Certification Maintenance Requirements (CMRs)
- Critical Design Configuration Control Limitations (CDCCL) requirements
- Supplemental Structural Inspection Documents (SSID)
- Electrical Wiring Interconnection System (EWIS) tasks
- Off wing engines/major assemblies tasks identified by OEMs
- Aircraft detailing and cleaning



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Typical Aircraft Technical Work

- Servicing
- Scheduled Maintenance
- Unscheduled Maintenance
- Inspection
- Modifications
- Structural Repairs
- Avionic system software
- Cabin Systems/ IT/ Connectivity
- Paint
- Corrosion Protection Control Program (CPCP)
- Engine Heavy Maintenance
- Interior Refurbishment
- Component Repairs and Servicing
- Detailing and Cleaning

WHAT STANDARD(s) MUST THIS WORK MEET?



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Global Harmonized Safety

Compliance!

- Regulatory
- Operational
- Financial
- Owner/Passenger

**IF IT IS IMPORTANT
TO YOU, YOU WILL
FIND A WAY.**

**IF NOT
YOU'LL FIND
AN EXCUSE**



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Workshop

*Safety in the
"Wild Blue Yonder"*



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Safety in the “Wild Blue Yonder”

For an aircraft to be “Safe”, to be operated for flight, what two basic regulatory conditions must be met?



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Safety in the “Wild Blue Yonder”

Compliance with: 1. Airworthiness Certificate requirements
2. Aircraft Flight Manual requirements



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Safety in the “wild blue yonder”

- What three FAA certificates ensure all the necessary aircraft requirements were met at point of aircraft delivery to the owner operator?

- Type Certificate
- Production Certificate

• Airworthiness Certificate

Other Assurances

- Supplemental Type Certificates
- Technical Standard Orders
- Part Manufacture Approvals

... which certificate **do we as operators have direct control** over?



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Safety in the “wild blue yonder”

Airworthiness & Continuous Airworthiness

- What does that mean ?
- Airworthiness Certificate validates standards have been met and sustained.

...what two activities can we conduct that impact the validation of an issued airworthiness certificate?

Operations (CFR 91) & Maintenance (CFR 43)



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Safety in the “wild blue yonder”

Crucial knowledge !

- What is an Instruction for Continued Airworthiness (ICA)?
CFR 25.1529, 23.1526 Appendix H
- What is the purpose of an ICA?
- Who has authority over ICA's? *(can I deviate from an ICA?)*
- ICA's validate compliance with what two certificates?

Type Certificate & Airworthiness Certificate



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Safety in the “wild blue yonder”

What does all this mean?

Compliance matters?

...is it risk management?

...is it safety management?

Flight operations / maintenance / alterations



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The Airworthiness Concept

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The Airworthiness Concept

- How do we decide an aircraft is safe for flight?
- What does it mean when we say the aircraft is airworthy?
- What is the purpose of an “airworthiness” credential?
- How does “airworthiness” credential make you feel about flying?

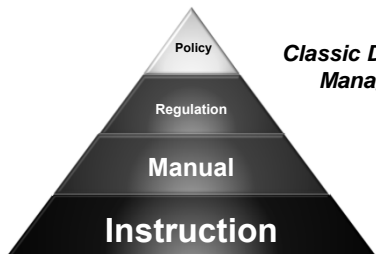
Acceptable level of risk?

Who defines the “airworthiness” condition of the aircraft?

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**Classic Deliverable
Management**

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Safety Through Airworthiness

Regulation entity accountable organization, agency, person

Regulations (compliance) standards and practices

Regulator (enforcement) verifies processes and behaviors conform (conformance) to the regulations



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Original Airworthiness

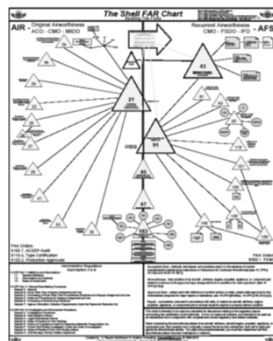
AIR: Air Certification Services
ACO – CMO – MIDO

- Aircraft Specification
- TCDS
- Production Certificate
- Airworthiness Certificate

Recurring Airworthiness

AFS: Flight Standards Services
CMO – FSDO – IFO

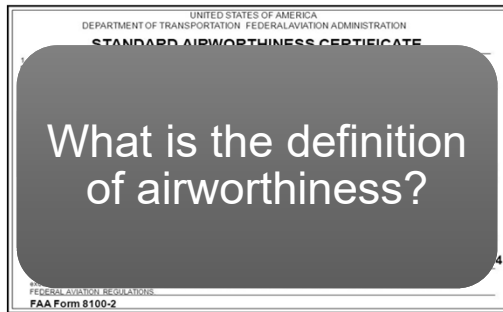
- Aircraft Specification
- TCDS
- Airworthiness Certificate



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Standard Airworthiness Certificate



What is the definition of airworthiness?

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Issuance of Airworthiness Certificate.

The United States Code 49 U.S.C. § 44704(d) states that there are **two** conditions that **must be met** for issuance of an airworthiness certificate.

TC = Type Certificate

(1) An aircraft **must conform** to its TC. An aircraft conforms to its TC when its configuration and the installed components are as described in the drawings, specifications, and other data that are part of the TC, including all supplemental type certificates (STCs), applicable airworthiness directives (AD), and field-approved alterations incorporated into the product; and

(2) The aircraft **must be in a condition** for safe operation.

FAA Order 8110.116

The Airworthiness Concept

Compliance through Certified Release Statement

Maintenance Release
Return to Service
Airworthiness Release
Approved for Return to Service
Authorized Release Certificate

Aircraft "airworthiness" a point in time

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Compliance through Certified Release Statement

Aircraft Maintenance Record Entry Requirements

Title 14 CFR 91.417,

a) Except for work performed in accordance with 91.411 and 91.413, each registered owner or operator shall keep the following records for the periods specified in paragraph (b) of this section:

The records must include—

- (i) A description (or reference to data acceptable to the Administrator) of the work performed; and
- (ii) The date of completion of the work performed; and
- (iii) The signature, and certificate number of the person approving the aircraft for return to service.

All work defined In Accordance With (IAW) ...data reference or specific description



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Instructions for Continued Airworthiness

What is an Instruction for Continued Airworthiness?

Reference Title 14 CFR 23.1529 or 25.1529 Appendix H

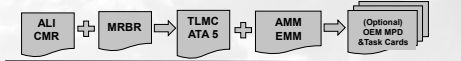


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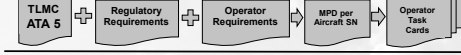
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Instructions for Continued Airworthiness

Type Certificate Holder ICA's "scheduled" maintenance documents



Operator "scheduled" maintenance instruction documents



Supporting ICA manuals and documents



ALI: Airworthiness Limitation
 CMR: Certified Maintenance Requirement
 MRBR: Maintenance Review Board Report
 TLMC: Time Limits Maintenance Checks
 AMM: Aircraft Maintenance Manual
 EMM: Engine Maintenance Manual
 SRM: Structural Repair Manual
 SPM: Standard Practices Manual
 NDTM: Non Destructive Testing Manual
 AFM: Aircraft Flight Manual
 WDM: Wiring Diagram Manual
 CPCP: Corrosion Protection Control Program
 IPC: Illustrated Parts Catalog
 SWPM: Standard Wiring Practices Manual
 FIM: Fault Isolation Manual
 CMM: Component Maintenance Manual
 MMEL: Master Minimum Equipment List
 CDL: Configuration Deviation List
 WT & BAL: Weight & Balance Manual
 SWPM: Standard Wiring Practices Manual
 ELA: Electrical Load Analysis
 STC: Supplemental Type Certificate
 SB: Service Bulletin
 CB: Customer Bulletin
 MPD: Maintenance Planning Document
 GSE: Ground Support Equipment
 CDCCL: Critical Design Configuration Control Limitations



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The Airworthiness Concept

Compliance through Certified Release Statement

An **Airworthiness Release** is a certification, issued by certified maintenance "person" to certify that the aircraft is in an airworthy condition. When the Airworthiness **Release is signed**, it is verification that no known condition exists that would make the aircraft unairworthy and so far as the work performed is concerned the aircraft is in a condition for safe operation.



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The Airworthiness Concept

Compliance through Certified Release Statement

Maintenance Release
Return to Service
Approved for Return to
Service
Authorized Release
Certificate
Airworthiness Release

AIRWORTHINESS RELEASE examples:

- "I certify the above referenced maintenance was accomplished and **inspected in accordance with** the manufacturer's specifications, [COMPANY ABC] [NAME of DOC Continuous Airworthiness Maintenance Program] and current Federal Aviation Administration regulations, and is **approved for return to service**."
- "I certify that this aircraft has been inspected in accordance with (insert type of inspection/maintenance program, document number as revised) inspection and **was determined to be in airworthy condition**." Daniel Johnson AP123456789IA



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The Airworthiness Concept

Compliance through Certified Release Statement

Maintenance Release
Return to Service
Approved for Return to
Service
Authorized Release
Certificate
Airworthiness Release

A **Maintenance Release** is a certification for return to service of an aircraft, **engine, propeller, component, and appliance**. The release certifies that the aircraft and/or its component has been undergone maintenance and found in an airworthy condition. Issuance of Maintenance Release is mandatory upon completion of the maintenance service.

A certificated repair station must provide a copy of the maintenance release to the owner or operator of the article on which the maintenance, preventive maintenance, or alteration was performed.



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Maintenance Release
Return to Service
Approved for Return to
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Airworthiness Release

A release can be certified as compliant by:

- The signature of the certificated "person"
- A registered stamp of a certificated "person"
- A registered electronic signature
- The signature or stamp, by an approved Continuous Airworthiness Maintenance Program entity, may represent the airworthiness release in itself



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Maintenance Log Example

The above described maintenance is certified airworthy and a detailed record is on file under work order: 189652. All Work Completed In Accordance With CL605 AMM, Revision 41 dated Aug. 30/2016.

I Certify That This Aircraft Has Been Inspected In Accordance With the CL605 TLAMC, Revision 14 Dated Jun. 09/2016 and The CL605 MPD, Revision 14 Dated Jun. 09/2016 and That a 48/96 Month Itemized Threshold Inspection Was Complied With and Comply With The Requirement of 14CFR 91.409 (f)(3) and Is Approved For Return to Service.



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Compliance through Certified Release Statement

Maintenance Release
Return to Service
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Service
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Airworthiness Release

Authorized Release FAA Form 8130, EASA Form 1, "others formats"

FAA Form 8130-3 is titled "AUTHORIZED RELEASE CERTIFICATE / AIRWORTHINESS APPROVAL TAG" and can be used to approve an article for return to service after repair, overhaul, or inspection. It can also be used for the purpose of exporting engines, propellers or other aviation articles.

As an authorized release certificate, this form can be issued by FAR 145 repair stations, FAR 121 or 135 air carriers, or FAR 21 production approval holders.



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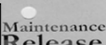
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1. Accepting Office (Agency, Customer) FAA Form 1119-3	AUTHORIZED RELEASE CERTIFICATE FAA Form 1119-3, AIRWORTHINESS APPROVAL TAG	2. Form Tracking Number
3. Occurrence Name and Address	4. Work Order Creation System Number	5. Issue Words
6. Issue # Description	7. Part Number	8. Quantity
9. Serial Number	10. Serial Number	11. Issue Words
12. Remarks: <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%; background-color: #f0f0f0;"> Details to include MRBR /MPD task(s) compliance, reference to work order, CMM, 8110-3, serviceability document, etc. </div>		
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 48%;"> <p>13a. Certify the issue identified above was manifested in conformance to:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approval data used and was in condition for safe operation.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Non-approved data that specified in Block 12.</p> </div> <div style="width: 48%;"> <p>13b. <input type="checkbox"/> 14CFR 43.9 Rules in force <input type="checkbox"/> Other regulation specified in Block 12</p> <p>Certify the other reference specified in Block 12, the work described in Block 13 and described in Block 12 is approved and in accordance with Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 43, and to require that the work described above be approved in service.</p> </div> </div>		
14a. Authorized Signature	14b. Authorized Signature	14c. Approval Certificate No.
14d. Name (Print or Stamp)	14e. Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	14f. Date (MM/DD/YYYY)
User Secretary Responsibilities		
<p>It is important to understand that the existence of this document does not and automatically restrict liability to the aircraft owner/pilot/signer only.</p> <p>When the user is using product, he/she is accepting the actual regulation of the aircraft regulation. It is the user's responsibility, after the work described above is completed, to sign the entry specified in Block 13, to accept that the work described above has been performed, and to require that the work described above be approved in service, and to require that the work described above be approved in service.</p> <p>Signature in Block 13 and 14a, and get complete certification information. In all cases, aircraft maintenance record must contain the certification information in accordance with the actual regulation in the case before the aircraft was in force.</p> <p>FAA Form 1119-3 (2-25-14)</p>		

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SERVICEABLE Part or Component			
Part No.			
Type	Qty.	Lot	Serial
<input type="checkbox"/> Inspected under inspection in accordance with Current Manufacturer's Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Replaced/Inspected from Serial No. _____ which Inspected by Name Code 014 0140101 Inspector Name/Serial Number _____			
Signature of Risk Reduction or Control Inspection Risk Code _____ Signature/Signature by Inspection Date _____			
Name of Serviceable Element			
Part Number			
Model			
Serial Number			
Customer			
Tech. _____ A/FN _____			
Inspected By _____			
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Continuing Airworthiness = Maintenance Management Process

Operator Approved Program

CFR 23/25.1529 Appendix H

CFR 91.409 Inspections (f) (1-4)



The Airworthiness Concept

Regulation Essentials

Responsible for Airworthiness

CFR 91.403 - General

- (a) The owner or operator of an aircraft is primarily responsible for maintaining that aircraft in an airworthy condition, including compliance with part 39 of this chapter.



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The Airworthiness Concept

Regulation Essentials

- **91.405** , (b) Shall ensure that maintenance personnel make appropriate entries in the aircraft maintenance records indicating the aircraft has been approved for return to service
- **91.407** No person may operate any aircraft that has undergone maintenance, preventive maintenance, rebuilding, or alteration **unless**
 - (1) It has been approved for return to service by a person authorized under 43.7 of this chapter; and
 - (2) The maintenance record entry required by 43.9 or 43.11, as applicable, of this chapter has been made.



Compliance by Certified Release Statement



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"Perspectives" that frame the mind



Consequence of failure?



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Consequence of failure

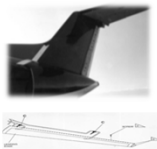
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Consequence of failure

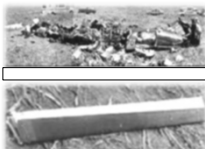
Maintenance

1991 - Missing fasteners for the horizontal leading edge
Error Source: Airworthiness Certificate



... there is no evidence from the morning preflight that the flight crew was aware of any of the work performed on the horizontal stabilizer.

Fatal




Ginga-Yu Taka

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Consequence of failure

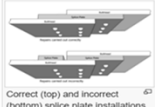
Maintenance - Latent Failure

1978 - Tail skin splice repair ... Failure 1985
Error Source: Airworthiness Certificate



Simulated picture of tail loss

Fatal



Correct (top) and incorrect (bottom) splice plate installations

Ginga-Yu Taka



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Consequence of failure

Maintenance – Improper repair

2000 - DC10 nonconformant repair strap fails and falls to runway

Error Source: Airworthiness Certificate

DC10 TR Strap **Failure Transfer** Concorde

Fatal

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Consequence of failure

Maintenance – Alteration


2007 - Vinyl registration number covers fuel vent

Error Source: Airworthiness Certificate

Date: Wednesday 19 December 2007

Time: 18:00

Type: *Cessna 310 Citation Mustang*



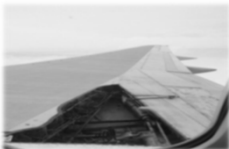
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Damage, Reputation

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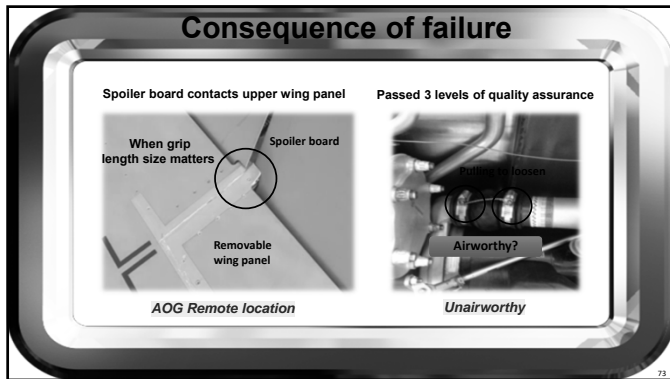
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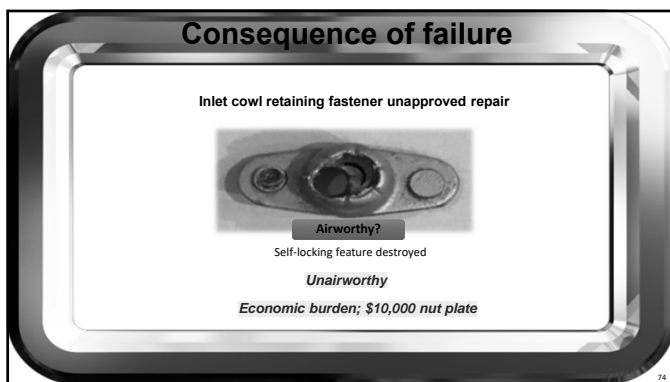
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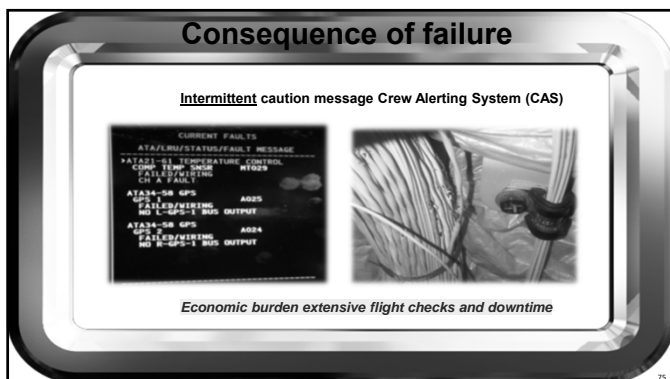


Are any quality escapes acceptable?

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Consequence of failure


Accidental damage – walk away

Maintenance access damage



Economic Burden

Ground handling damage gear squat switch



AOG Remote Location

“Perspective” Summary

There are many points of entry for a “quality escape” on an aircraft.

Consequences of a failure are random

“Quality escape” to failure mode can impact:

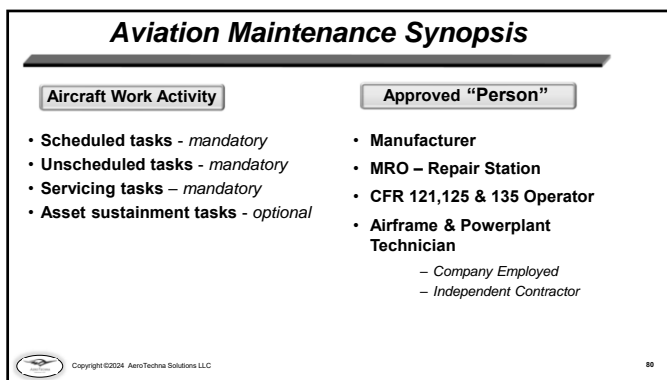
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-Operations	-Passenger Expectations

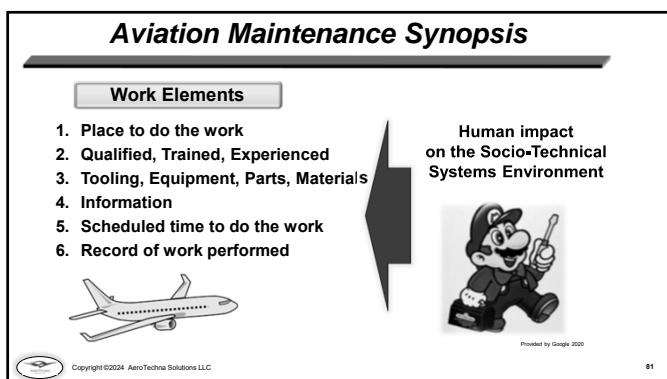
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ARE YOU SCARED?









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Socio-Technical Systems Environment

The term **socio-technical systems** was originally coined by Emery and Trist (1960) to describe **systems** that involve a complex interaction between humans, machines and the **environmental** aspects of the work... Oxford Academic 2010

The interaction between people and technology in workplaces.

Maintenance Program Execution

- An Art
- A Science
- A Philosophy

Lindley R. Higgins, Maintenance engineering Handbook



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Aviation Maintenance Synopsis

Socio-Technical Systems Environment

- Risk Profile - Hazards
- Consequences - Nature of Risks
- Mitigation - "Your Actions"

Consider that Flight Operations – Dispatch/Scheduling – Maintenance:

- *Are different environments*
- *Use different tools*
- *Have different hazards and consequences*
- *Have different knowledge bases*
- *Have different work behavioral and personal interaction profiles*
- *Failures have different consequences*



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Aviation Maintenance Synopsis

What is Maintenance Failure?

Maintenance Failures can be:

- **Active**
- **Potential**
- **Latent**

- **Technical** – related to: damage accident, part installation, workmanship, etc.
- **Compliance** – related to: record keeping, ICA requirements, approved parts or materials to include configuration (i.e., software), etc.

...and not all consequences are the same



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What is Maintenance Failure?



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What is an obvious "maintenance failure"?

Your experiences ? ...think of one.



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Performance Factors impacting probability of failure

- Knowledge base
- Experience
- Training
- Tribal Rules
- Tools
- Environment
- Motor Skills
- Critical Thinking Skills
- Detail Orientation
- Task Attitude
- Behavioral Preferences

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The Dirty Dozen

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| • Communication | • Lack of Resources |
| • Complacency | • Pressure |
| • Lack of Knowledge | • Assertiveness |
| • Distraction | • Stress |
| • Teamwork | • Lack of Awareness |
| • Fatigue | • Norms |

Dirty Dozen - Human Error in Aircraft Maintenance



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Managing the probability of failure

Safety Management System – (SMS)

Hazard: *Object, situation, procedure, circumstance*, etc. which may bring a harmful or undesirable consequence to personal, environment or material, if engaged, exposed or experienced.

Risk: The *probability* of engaging, exposing or experiencing the hazard.

Risk Assessment: The *process* of assessing the probability and severity.

Risk Mitigation: *Actions taken* to reduce the risk exposure to an acceptable level.

Basic Safety Management:

Safety = Freedoms from unacceptable risk



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Common defects and errors leading to failures?

- Non-compliance with ICA requirements
- Non-compliance with Type Design
- Creative maintenance
- Missing parts
- Incorrect parts, hardware, materials
- Poor workmanship
- Suspect unapproved parts



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Be aware of the changing workforce performance and behaviors



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Define Failure “Expectations”

**Do you have confidence
with aircraft failure
management?**

Do you have a process and/or plan, ...a thought process?



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Define Failure Expectations

Target Failure Management Opportunities



Regulatory

- Compliance
- Operations
- Maintenance
- Records



Operational

- Reliability
- Availability
- Capability
- Maintainability
- SMS (RISK)
- User Friendly
- Use Configurations (i.e. seats, cargo, etc.)



Financial

- DOC/CASM/RASM
- Market Value
- Tax Impact
- Capital Investment
- Cash Flow
- Lease Cycle
- Liquidity
- Insurance



Owner/PAX Expectation

- Travel Experience
- Efficiency
- Return on Investment
- Product Quality
- Ramp Appeal
- Flexibility
- Safety



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Define Failure Expectations

Failure behaviors

Active: any functional loss evident to the flight crew

Latent/Hidden: dormant system (example: electrostatic discharge induced to data cards)

Potential: the defect, error, mistake has not currently created a failure event

- Design
- Manufacturing
- Ground Support Equipment
- Operations
- Human Activity (i.e., maintenance, servicing, detailing, passenger use)

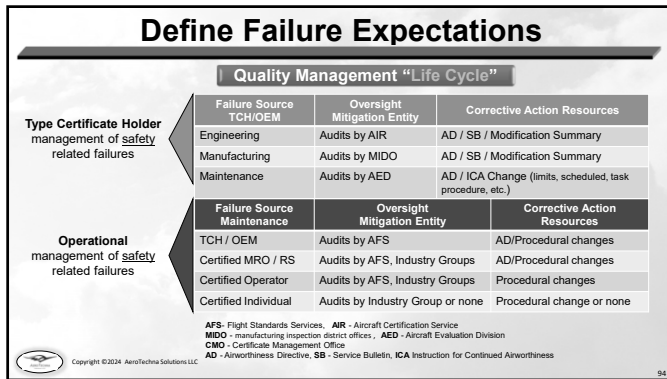
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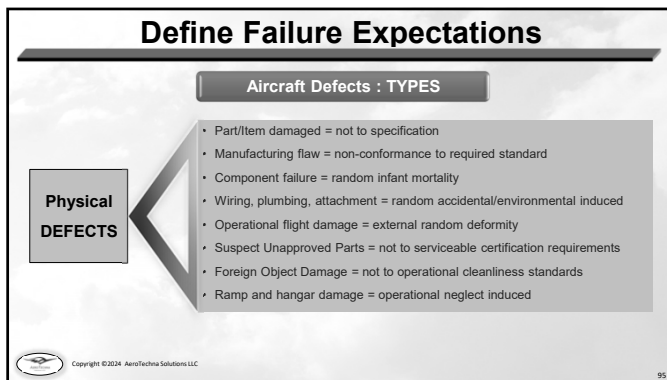
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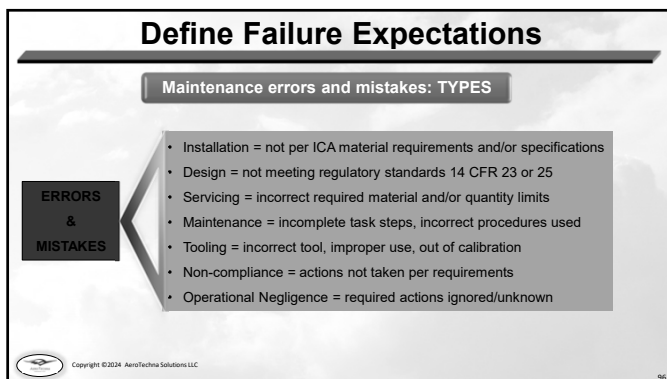


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Define Failure Expectations

Rigorous layers of failure prevention and management

- Regulations (i.e., certification, operational, maintenance standards)
- Rigorous Engineering (i.e., design, simulation, testing, sampling)
- System Safety Assessments
- Critical Design Configuration Control Limitations
- Design Assurance Levels
- Functional Hazardous Assessments
- Failure Modes Effects Analysis



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Define Failure Expectations

Rigorous layers of failure prevention and management

- Failure Reporting Corrective Action System
- Scheduled Maintenance – MSG-3 methodology
- Process to identify unsafe conditions (*Airworthiness Directive Process*)
- Standard Operating Procedures
- Quality Assurance Programs
- Regulatory and Industry Auditing Standards
- Training Certifications



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Define Failure Expectations

Mitigation tools per "Type Certificate"

Damage Tolerance Design

Functional Preservation

Crew Awareness

Crew Workload Avoidance

- Aircraft Flight Manual
- Operating Manuals
- Weight & Balance / Loading Manuals
- Crew Alerting System
- Placards & Warnings
- Designs in redundancy (i.e., Master Minimum Equipment List)
- Aircraft Health Monitoring and Data Systems
- **Scheduled Maintenance**



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Define Failure Expectations

MSG-3 Scheduled Maintenance driven by risk mitigation

Regulatory Leaders: International Maintenance Review Board Policy Board

Regulatory Body representation for each National Aviation Authority where aircraft / rotor wing are being manufactured, (11 member countries) FAA, TCCA and EASA are primary leaders

Industry Leaders: A4A Maintenance Program Industry Group MPIG

Operators TCH Manufacturers Suppliers and Vendors

Industry Groups NBAA, SAE, IATA, NATA, GAMA, etc.

#1 GOAL = global standard level of acceptable risk = Safety

Increased: Availability, Reliability, Maintainability

Reduce: Cost, Maintenance Intrusion and Program Complexity

EXAMPLE: Hydrostatic testing of pressure cylinders: not effective – intrusive – destructive test- reduced maintenance intrusion and cost – no change in risk level



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“Expectation” Summary

“Quality escape” can be physical defects, errors or mistakes.

Aircraft certification uses “failure management” mythologies.

Maintenance ICA activities do not institute
a “failure management” methodology.



ICA – Instruction for Continued Airworthiness



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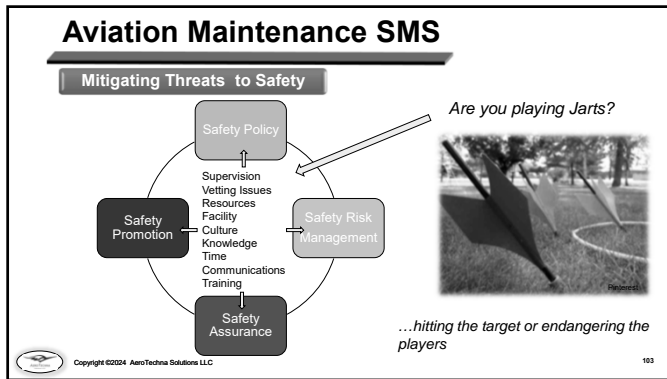
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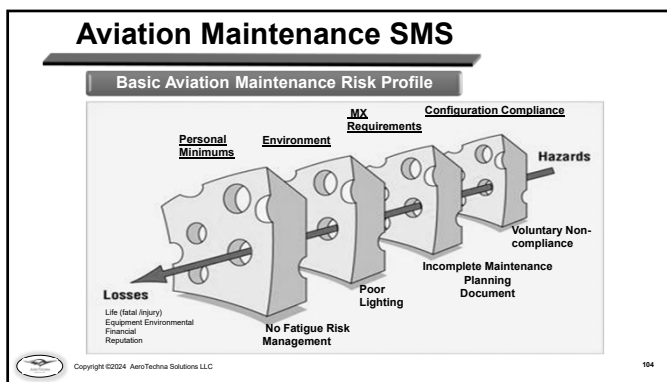
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Probability and Severity

Sample Risk Assessment per MIL-STD-882E

SEVERITY LEVELS					LIKELIHOOD LEVELS				
RATING	PHYSICAL INJURY	Operational Impact	DAMAGE TO ASSETS	DAMAGE TO CORPORATE REPUTATION	A Improbable - Unlikely to occur, but possible	B Remote - Unlikely but can reasonably be expected to occur	C Occasional - Will occur several times	D Probable - Will occur often	E Frequent - Continuously experienced
0	No Injury	No Effect	No Damage	No Implication	<div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Increasing Risk</p> <p>ACCEPTABLE</p> <p>ACCEPTABLE WITH MITIGATION</p> <p>UNACCEPTABLE</p> </div>				
1	Minor Injury	Minor Effect	Minor Damage <\$25K	Limited Localized Implication					
2	Serious Injury	Moderate Effect	Substantial Damage <\$150K	Regional Implication					
3	Single Fatality	Major Effect	Major Damage <\$500K	National Implication					
4	Multiple Fatalities	Massive Effect	Catastrophic Damage ≥\$500K	International Implication					

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Aviation Maintenance SMS

Hazard List -Registry "source of harm"

- Impact hazard
- Loss of control
- Falling/slips/trips
- Fall from vehicle
- Vehicle braking loss
- Aircraft not configured for tow/taxi
- Personal operations hazard
- Etc.

Lack of, or poor maintenance release
 Impact movement of aircraft/run-ups
 Use of unqualified outsourced maintenance
 Installation of SUPS (Suspected Unapproved Parts)
 Lack of or poor lighting
 Noisy work environment
 Poor health of facility HVAC
 Task Distraction
 Technician Fatigue
 Lack of Critical Communication
 Lack of Training
 Incorrect aircraft configuration
 Defueling spills
 Engine Thrust Damage
 Falling Objects from Aircraft/Hangar
 Inadequate instructions for tools and equipment
 Inappropriate use of tools for the task
 Lack of or unsafe equipment, tools and safety equipment
 Lack of, or poor tool accountability
 Mis-calibrated tools
 Jacking Aviation- tipping, lowering on objects



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Aviation Maintenance SMS

Top Threats:

- Communicating
- Compliance
 - Lack of compliance knowledge
 - Willful / purposeful / procedural non-compliance
- Distraction
- Tools and equipment; proper use and control
- Norms and "Tribal Rules"



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THE RISKY OPERATOR

Operator versus Operational Aircraft

AIR CHARTER
 SAFETY
 FOUNDATION

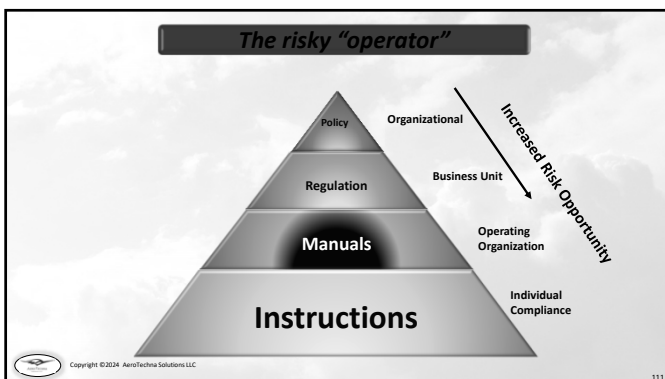


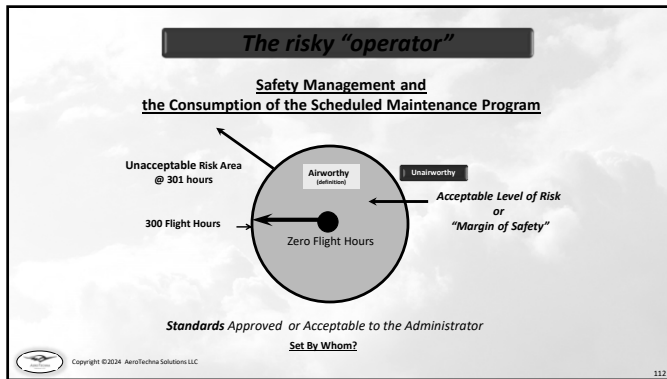
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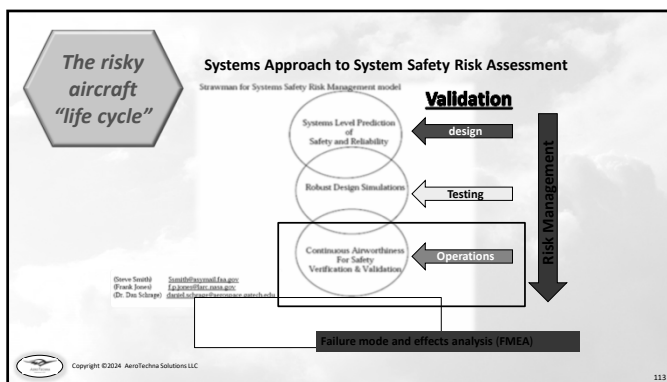
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The risky "operator"

Risk: Service Adjustment

The risky aircraft "life cycle"

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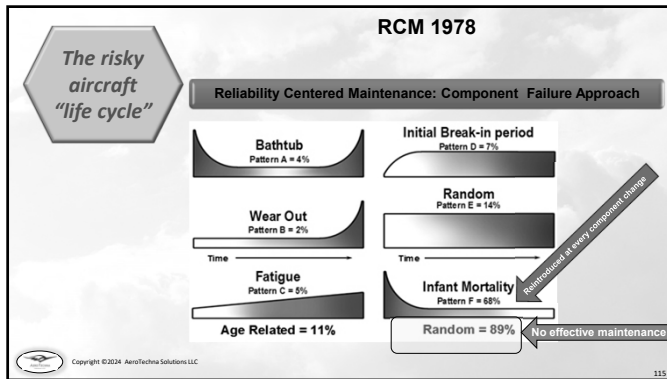
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(d) **Subject**
Air Transport Association (ATA) of America Code 05, Time Limits/Maintenance Checks.

(e) **Reason**
This AD was prompted by a revision of the airworthiness limitations items (ALI) document, which provides new and more restrictive maintenance requirements and airworthiness limitations for airplane structures and systems. We are issuing this AD to prevent reduced structural integrity and reduced control of these airplanes due to the failure of a system component.

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Risk Class for "Severity"

<u>Engineering-Certification</u>	<u>Engineering-Maintenance</u>
Catastrophic	Safety - Evident
Hazardous	Safety - Hidden
Major	Operational Impact
Minor	Economic
No Safety Effect	Hidden non-Safety

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Conclusion !

It is NOT safety at any cost....

IT'S FOCUSING ON "STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT"


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“Choices” and Risks

**Can I choose an
“acceptable level of
risk”?**



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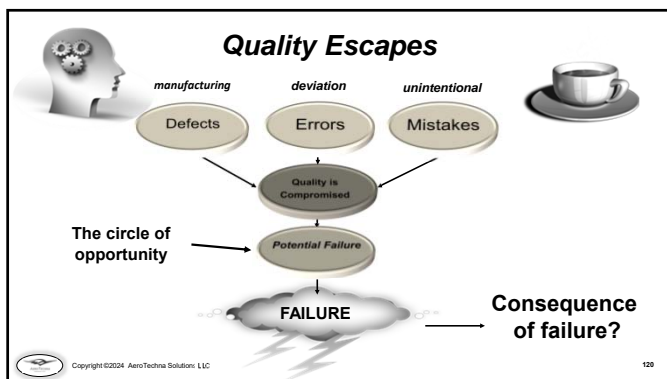
**Escaping the
“quality escape”
and potential
failure!**



Active - Potential - Latent

What is in your scope of control?

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Why do failures occur when there are rigorous layers of protection?




- Regulations (i.e., certification, operational, maintenance standards)
- Rigorous Engineering (i.e., design, simulation, testing, sampling)
- System Safety Assessments
- Critical Design Configuration Control Limitations
- Design Assurance Levels
- Functional Hazardous Assessments
- Failure Modes Effects Analysis
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Establish “Crucial Knowledge” requirements




- An understanding of airworthiness
- Understanding the consequence of failure types
- Recognize the performance culture of your service providers
- Recognize that you could possibly create a situation with a professional that could result in a quality escape
- Align risk appetites with yours, the regulator, employer, owner and outsourced providers to ensure an “acceptable level of risk”
- Identify your aircraft's typical condition, configuration and system performance





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Failure ➡ Root Cause




- **Human Performance:** *communications, focus, precision, non-compliance, etc.*
- **Material composition**
- **Manufacturing tooling and process**
- **Engineering limitations related to design science**
- **Random environmental events**
- **Infant mortality**
- **Unapproved parts**

What is controllable and when?




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What we cannot control during the return service of the aircraft ?




- Engineering defects or failures
- Structural repair engineering designs
- Inadequate Instructions for Continued Airworthiness
- Infant mortality
- Material property failure




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But can we control human performance weaknesses ?



- Work disruption
- Distraction / Inattention
- Lack of knowledge
- Lack of experience
- Complacency
- Willful non-compliance / Negligence
- Social pressure
- Distraction
- Impaired judgement
- Arrogance or overconfidence
- Working for memory
- Inadequate skill level for the task



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***Personal Minimums
vs
Risk Appetite***




Risk perspectives to consider yours vs your owners

- Effort to find the mistake
- Effort to prevent the mistake
- Stop the culture of mistakes
- Normalize deviations to SOPS and ICAs
- Ignoring human factors
- Making your own rules
- Effort to staying current




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Aircraft Defects: Types




**Physical
DEFECTS**

- Part/Item damaged = not to specification
- Manufacturing flaw = non-conformance to required standard
- Component failure = random infant mortality
- Wiring, plumbing, attachment = random accidental/environmental induced
- Operational flight damage = external random deformity
- Suspect Unapproved Parts = not to serviceable certification requirements
- Foreign Object Damage = not to operational cleanliness standards
- Ramp and hangar damage = operational neglect induced


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Maintenance errors and mistakes




**ERRORS
&
MISTAKES**

- Installation = not per ICA material requirements and/or specifications
- Design = not meeting regulatory standards CFR 23 or 25
- Servicing = incorrect required material and/or quality limits
- Maintenance = incomplete task steps, incorrect procedures used
- Tooling = incorrect tool, improper use, out of calibration
- Non-compliance = actions not taken per requirements
- Operational Negligence = required actions ignored/unknown



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Control Opportunities



- New/Pre owned Aircraft delivery procedures
- MRO Selection
- Return to service procedures
- Flight check procedures
- Post flight check after first Return to Service



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What can you control ?

YOUR

- ...Maintenance source selection
- ...Risk appetite
- ...Standards and expectations
- ...Exposure to unnecessary maintenance
- ...Management of FOD
- ...Management of aircraft protection
- ...Managing negative behavioral influence
 - Work Interruptions
 - Transferring emotional stress



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Choices and Risks

Most common "maintenance errors"


1. ICA discontinuity (Instruction for Continued Airworthiness)
2. Noncompliance with Type Design
3. Self created maintenance procedures
4. Poor quality of workmanship
5. Improper (nonequivalent) tool used
6. Use of unapproved/expired materials
7. Use of suspect unapproved parts

Most common "quality escapes"

1. Cockpit flight configuration / damage
2. Elements of a system malfunctions
3. Missing items or parts
4. Servicing levels inaccurate
5. Damaged or missing hardware
6. Accidental damage structure and interior
7. Foreign Object Damage – *items left in aircraft*



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Choices and Risks

Maintenance Options: Risk and Control

Internal –Employment Agreement

★ Trained & Rated


Full time employee
Part time employee
Pilot / A & P employee
CPIR / AS Repair Station – OEM
CPIR / AS Repair Station – Independent
Remote mobile repair – OEM
Remote mobile repair – Independent
RMO local A & P technicians (non-AS)
On-demand technical services company
On-demand local LLC
On-demand staffing service
On-demand technician

External –Contract (outsourced)


Low Risk/High Control High Risk/Low Control

Outsourcing "continued airworthiness" is about,

- Care
- Custody
- Control



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Maintenance Provider Audit


Standards

- Facilities and equipment
- Repair station authority and limitations versus actual practice, including controls over any deviation authority
- Personnel qualifications, training, and staffing levels
- Manuals and airworthiness data
- Continuity of work and supervision during personnel changes
- Supplier selection, approval, and surveillance
- Parts and materials handling
- Inspection and QC processes
- Tool adequacy and calibration
- Maintenance release process
- Defect reporting
- Records and recordkeeping procedures
- Return to service process



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How to recognize compliancy

Talk about it . . .yes, it is an attitude but there are signs


Some of the actions that result from these attitudes:

- NOT Following Instructions
- Using wrong equipment or equipment that needs repair
- NOT looking
- NOT listening
- NOT recognizing limitations
- NOT paying attention
- Bypassing/Ignoring a rule or procedure
- Failing to use safeguards (ex. Protective equipment)
- NOT think of consequences
- Quality of task completion
- Inadequate aircraft protection and tool placement
- Etc.



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Control maintenance failure exposers


Are your standards set high enough?

- Do you have Foreign Object Damage protocols?
- Should you establish your own Required Inspection Item, Critical Inspection, Independent Inspection criteria?
- Do you get regular debriefs related to the maintenance work scope?
- Do you brief on seasonal adjustments due to human behavior changes during weather extremes?
- Do you observe for risky "tribal rule" activities?



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Control maintenance failure exposer


Have you read:

- Aircraft Type Certificate Data Sheet
- Aircraft Maintenance Program Rules
- Aircraft Flight Manual (AFM)
- CFR 43 and 91 Regulations

- SMS debrief risk assessment
- Completion of all AFM requirements
- Observation
- Ask questions
- Departure debrief related to service work
- Avoid a post maintenance departure preflight outside in the dark
- Maintenance Risk Assessment Tool



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Choices and Risks


What are controllable procedural elements?

- Post maintenance SMS briefing meeting
- Return to service document review process
- Maintenance release standards:
 - Weather
 - Time of day
- Flight check plan/profile, conditions and requirements, *as appropriate*
- Subsequent flight "open panel" examination areas

- Aircraft delivery process:
 - AFM preflight precision
 - Cabin system checks
 - Loose equipment review
 - Open panel request
- Maintenance entity selection:
 - (MRO, A&P contractors)
- Delivery conditions related to:
 - Facility and aircraft access
 - Lighting
 - Weather
 - Power sources
 - FOD surveillance




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Choices and Risks

SMS Post Maintenance Debrief: Technical

1. What was the scope of scheduled maintenance?
2. What aircraft structure was repaired or removed?
3. What aircraft panels were removed?
4. What corrosion was found? ...Level 1?, ...Level 2?, ...Level 3?
5. What components were removed and/or replaced?
6. What operational systems were interfered with?
7. What safety emergency systems had maintenance activity?
8. Were the fuel tanks opened for maintenance or inspection?
9. Was the aircraft placed on jacks for maintenance?
10. Was a hydraulic mule used during the maintenance?
11. Were circuit breakers pulled or reset? ...which systems?
12. Were any ground engine runs performed?
13. Was any safety equipment removed or serviced? ...which items?
14. Was the emergency exit door removed?
15. What interior maintenance was performed?
16. Was the cabin connectivity system checked after maintenance?
17. Were any customer cabin loose items removed?
18. Is the water and lavatory serviced?
19. Have the cabin waste containers been emptied?
20. Was a full service check and walk around completed? ...with or without a light check? ...interior and exterior?




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Choices and Risks

SMS Post Maintenance Debrief: Operating Documents




1. Were any service bulletins completed that impact flight operations?
2. Were any modification completed that impact flight operations?
3. Was the content of the AFM changed?
4. Were any AFM supplements added?
5. Was the WT & BAL manual updated?
6. Was the Equipment List updated?
7. Was the FMS updated for weight/performance changes?
8. Was any software updated for aircraft systems and navigation?
9. Were any new placards installed?
10. Are there any new inspections resulting from structural repairs?
11. Are the aircraft records and documents onboard the aircraft?
12. Is the aircraft released from maintenance?
13. Anything else we should know about this maintenance event?


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SMS Post MX Debrief



I am communicating to ensure our flight crew is aware of any post maintenance failure exposure resulting from the work performed. Thus, they should debrief in consideration of an SMS post maintenance review to assess possible induced additional risk levels.


The maintenance was nonintrusive, in that no significant disassembly or system interruptions were completed.


The CVR and EVAS (RH) components were replaced neither of which impacts the direct normal operation of the aircraft.

Additional attention during the preflight should be given to engine cowling latches, accidental/FOD damage to the engine and inlet/nacelle areas.

Water system filter was replaced thus attention to water system levels and notice of any leaks. Cockpit was accessed thus attention to CB's and typical operational configuration standards is advised. Please note any induced accidental damage on the interior and report to XXXX.


If you have any questions please free to contact myself or the XXX technical team.


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SMS Post MX Debrief



Below is a recap of the significant work which relates to the safety with risk awareness, additionally system operational performance monitoring:

1. The inspections completed were not intrusive thus, very few areas experienced intrusive maintenance activities
2. Emergency Power supplies were removed and serviced - monitor per post flight
3. #2 & #3 accumulators found b-nuts under torque- monitor
4. RH Nav light delamination was repaired and erosion tape replaced on lower winglet area - monitor attachment
5. LH down lock LDG assist actuator, B-nut found under torque - monitor leak
6. Total wing fuel quantity, all systems checked normal, gear struts found uneven height/pressure, reserved- monitor fueling
7. Copilot windshield upper 12 inch section of seal repairs - monitor attachment
8. Fuel transfer system (93%) found normal- monitor inflight
9. Airshow loading software updated successfully- monitor inflight
10. VG Actuators 2 each on both engines have been replaced (failed SB check) - **FLIGHT Monitor on TO and flight segments**
11. SB FMS Erroneous 650-34-015 CW - info
12. Belly Fairing Corrosion Prevention - Applied MODSUM IS604-53-0004, fairing required removal and reinstall - monitor attachment
13. Jump seat lock, OK locks per CMM with back rest locked -monitor flight check
14. Trash bin drawer binds, plastic bag lodged in mechanism- monitor flight check

I trust the above will provide information in the contact of SMS for the next flights. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.


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Do you enable a "quality escape" by accepting these workforce standards?

- Lack of knowledge, training and skill on the aircraft type
- Complacency attitudes
- Chaotic environment
- Willful non-compliance with maintenance performance requirements
- Applying or transferring behavioral stress to direct performance
- Applying excessive time pressure to meet deadlines
- Lack of a "Just Culture" environment

Avoid being that "negative" behavioral influence



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How can you have an opportunity of control ?

- Ask the classic "dumb" questions
- Know the details of your aircraft
- Conduct SMS debriefs with specified crew
- Review AFM and AFM Supplements
- Observation for accidental damage
- Establish RII/ Critical Item task list
- Obtain an understanding of alterations and major repairs
- Obtain knowledge of what TCH documents are altered

Pre-maintenance
and in-process
mitigation
actions

(RII - Required Inspection Items)

What is or could be different about the aircraft
after a maintenance event?



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How can you have an opportunity of control ?

- AFM compliance to include detailed preflight
- CAS (crew alerting system) bootstrap review
- Fault history review and clear
- Assessment of environmental conditions at delivery
- Departure debrief related to service work
- Post maintenance departure at the arrival location conduct an expanded postflight check
- Subsequent flight observation management for infant mortality on items recently replaced
- FOD management and protective covers audit
- Cabin audit and checks

Departure
mitigation
actions

What is or could be different about the
aircraft after a maintenance event?



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Choices and Risks

Bring the aircraft home in perfect condition for continued operations



1. Recognize high risk environments and activities...
2. Manage your maintenance release policies/procedures...

...to identify and discuss possible error chains!



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"Choice" Summary

- There are many entry points for "quality escapes"
- Failures by type design are not unexpected
- Failures by maintenance are unexpected with unpredicted outcomes

Consider the Maintenance Risk Assessment Tool - MRAT



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Is it time to evaluate your... ?

- Perspectives
- Expectations
- Choices

Critical Thinking is an activity!



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Use active “Critical Thinking”

- What does think critically mean?
- **Critical thinking means** making reasoned judgments that are logical and well-thought out. It is a way of **thinking** in which you don't simply accept all arguments and conclusions you are exposed to but rather have an attitude involving questioning such arguments and conclusions. Study.com Dec 22, 2014

Use a systemic approach for random failure management

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Use “CFO”:

- **Control**
- **Focus**
- **Organization**

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Control: establish your scope and limits of tolerance



Focus: establish a method to ensure monitoring and review



Organization: establish procedures of structure

Care, Custody and Control !!!

Set accountable standards


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Use "CFO":

Prepare for the "top events"
during your "departure debrief"

- engine/power loss issues
- landing gear functionality
- loss of critical flight controls
- non-engine system/component failure




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Use "CFO":

How to bring a "quality escape" to a failure

- Lack of knowledge for the situation
- Complacency, as nothing ever goes wrong
- Not assuring comprehension
- Tolerating willful non-compliance
- Stress transfer to meet external expectations
- "Speed kills", going too fast
- No "Just Culture" environment



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Use "CFO":

Thoughtful Considerations:

- Maintenance induces maintenance
- Seek end-to-end control
- Trust but verify



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Take aways

- **Complete a post maintenance SMS debrief**

“Quality escapes” are unacceptable !

Do you want to return to service a “quality escape”?

Use a “Threat and Error” perspective

- **Be consistently precise**

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Take responsibility be accountable for continuous improvement!

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Course Title:
Maintenance Program Development
Management and Evaluation under NIG-1

Managing Maintenance Error

Managing the Risks of Organizational Accidents

Beyond Aviation Human Factors

AVIATION MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT

THE HUMAN CONTRIBUTION

BLUE THREAT

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