

Fatigue Management Training

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The information in these presentations represents the CAA's interpretation of legislation. It may be found in the future that EASA has a different interpretation and so the CAA's position may change following discussion and agreement with the Agency and the other National Aviation Authorities.



### Scope

- Where is the information?
- What hasn't changed?
- What do the regulations require?
- What do you need to do?

## Where is the information?



- Currently in EU-OPS and CAP 371
- In future the Operations and Aircrew Regulations
- As with JAR-OPS/EU-OPS, relevant information on what training is required and how often is scattered through the various sub-parts, e.g. Part-ORO, Part-CC



## What hasn't changed? The human....







'The crew had operated ... a total of 12H33 on duty (scheduled) with no delays. Halfway through the flight I awoke to realise I was the only one awake - a sobering thought. I had been asleep at least 30 minutes.'

CHIRP Report, Green 1987



## **Fatigue risk**

- Affects all flight and cabin crew:
  - Iong haul
    - long flight duration
    - night duty
    - time zone crossing
  - short haul
    - long duty days
    - early starts
    - night duty
    - high number of sectors
- Determined by time awake, sleep debt not only duty time

## **Factors influencing fatigue**



- Fatigue and alertness depends on:
  - prior sleep and wakefulness
  - circadian phase (normally increased sleepiness and decreased performance at certain times)
  - Age
  - Alcohol
  - Stimulants, e.g. caffeine, some drugs
  - Work and environmental conditions
  - Intercurrent illness
  - Medication



## Impact of fatigue

- Effects of sleep loss:
  - additive
  - sleep debt
  - increased sleepiness
  - decreased physical and mental performance
  - increased negative mood



What do the regulations require?

## **Requirement for training**



- Who should be trained :
  - All includes staff / managers involved in roster preparation (as does CAP 371) – ORO.FTL.250
  - Flight crew ORO.FC.115 & 215
  - Cabin crew ORO.CC.115 & CC.TRA.215 & 220
  - Senior cabin crew member training AMC1 ORO.CC.200(c) (e/f) human factors, CRM & FTL requirements
- How often they should be trained
  - Frequency of training hasn't changed for both flight and cabin crew, initial training and recurrent training as part of a 3-year cycle
    - Initial training in-depth
    - Recurrent training overview

## **Content of training**



- Broad requirements:
  - Part-ORO as content of CRM training 'fatigue and vigilance'
  - Part-CC 'alertness management, physiological effects of fatigue, sleep physiology, circadian rhythm and time zone changes'

#### New – ORO.FTL.250 detailed specification AMC1 ORO.FTL.250

- Training needs analysis:
  - Training must address hazard (fatigue) as appropriate to crew member's work, e.g. shorthaul operations, longhaul operations, mixed operations

## Content of training: AMC1 ORO.FTL.250

- Training syllabus should include:
  - Review of EU Air Operations flight, duty and rest regulatory requirements;
  - Awareness of the operator's fatigue management procedures, and the responsibilities of management and employees to mitigate or manage the effects of fatigue and improve crew member flight deck alertness;
  - The basics of fatigue, including sleep fundamentals and the effects of disturbing circadian rhythms;
  - The causes of fatigue, including medical conditions that may lead to fatigue;
  - The effects of fatigue on performance;
  - Fatigue countermeasures;
  - The influence of lifestyle, including nutrition, exercise, and family life, on fatigue;
  - Familiarity with sleep disorders and their possible treatments;
  - Where applicable the effects of long range operations and task intensive short range schedules on individuals;

# Content of training: AMC1 ORO.FTL.250

- Training syllabus should include (2):
  - The effect of operating through and within multiple time zones;
  - The effects of fatigue as a result of commuting;
  - Crew member's responsibility for ensuring adequate rest and fitness for duty;
  - Operational procedures to follow when one identifies, or suspects, fatigue risk in oneself or others;
- The syllabus should also:
  - Incorporate lessons learned regarding the effects of fatigue and mitigation initiatives relative to the operator's operation; and
  - Use a methodology that continually assesses the effectiveness of the training programme.

## **Frequency of Training**



- ORO.FTL.250:
  - Initial and recurrent fatigue management training
  - The operator, in agreement with the CAA, needs to establish a programme of recurrent training that meets with the complexity of the operation. It is expected that some elements of operator specific fatigue risks will be covered on an annual basis.
  - Any significant changes in the flying operation may require additional route specific training.

## **Record-keeping**



- Record retention (ORO.MLR.115):
  - Crew member training, checking & qualifications 3 years
  - Training / qualification records of other personnel for whom a training programme is required – last 2 training records

## What do you need to do?



- Ensure that all crew receive appropriate training
- Ensure that all staff, including managers, whose role influences rostering also receive appropriate training
- Ensure that those developing and delivering training are competent
- Ensure that training records are updated and retained in accordance with the regulatory requirements
- Methodology in place to monitor effectiveness of training
- Hopefully you are already doing most of this!



## **Any questions?**

