



PNG AD/Gen/013 Access to Type III Exits.

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Applicability:

All passenger carrying aeroplanes for which a Type Certificate in the Transport Category was first issued on, or after 1 January 1958, and which are fitted with Type III emergency exits.

Requirement:

At each Type III exit, install placards that:-

(i) can be read by all persons who are seated adjacent to and are facing a passageway to the exit;

(ii) accurately state or illustrate the correct method of opening the exit, including the use of handholds; and

(iii) if the exit is a removable hatch, state the weight of the hatch and indicate an appropriate location to place the hatch after removal.

2. For each aeroplane that has a passenger seating configuration of 60 or more, provide access to each Type III exit:

(i) in accordance with FAR 25.813(c)(1) at amendment 25-76 effective 3 June 1992 or later, or

(ii) to alternative configuration acceptable to CAA which provides an equivalent level of safety.

Note: Some applicable aircraft have special circumstances for which a literal compliance with this directive is impractical. Such circumstances include, but are not limited to:

- emergency exits located in close proximity to each other;
- fixed installations such as toilets and galleys;
- permanently mounted bulkheads;
- an insufficient number of rows ahead of or behind the exit.

Where such circumstances would preclude compliance with Part 2 of this directive without;

(i) a reduction in the total number of passenger seats,

(ii) a reduction in seat pitch of more than 25 mm (1 inch), or

(iii) a reduction of seat pitch to less than 760 mm (30 inches), a variation to this directive would be acceptable.

The applicant must furnish credible reasons why literal compliance is impractical and a description of the steps taken to achieve a level of safety as close to that intended by this directive as practical.

Compliance: Forthwith

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