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**AIRWORTHINESS**

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**AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES (ADs)**

- *Indicates changes.*
- *This AIC replaces AIC 61-11 dated 98-03-15 in total.*
- 1. *The cost-effective and efficient distribution of ADs appears to be a problem experienced in virtually every country within the ambit of ICAO, to the extent that ICAO deemed it necessary to address in their Circular 95-AN/78 the manner in which Contracting States should handle their responsibilities in this regard.*
- 2. *In our particular instance, Circular 95-AN/78 requires that ADs shall form part of SACAA Approved Maintenance Schedules.*
- 3. *In the past, the Department of Transport reproduced all applicable ADs it received and then made such copies available to the Aviation Industry. This has however proved to be an expensive and slow process of the dissemination of usually urgent information and is therefore not conducive to aviation safety. This process was therefore discontinued in 1996.*
- 4. *Regulation 21.01.4 of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 1997, deals with the issuing of ADs.*
- 5. *The South African Civil Aviation Authority evaluates all ADs received from the State of Type Design and the State of Manufacture, and will only re-issue those which it deem necessary. Unique SACAA ADs, which usually are the result of a fault, defect or malfunction, will be issued, published on the SACAA website and also mailed the applicable organisations.*
- 6. *All AMOs must at all times be in the possession of an up to date set of ADs pertaining to the privileges contained in their Ops Specs.*
- 7. *Any enquiries can be addressed to:*

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