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### Quality @ Airports

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### InitialAThought

Airports and Aircraft Operations are the elements of air navigation which have the most direct contact with the public.

The actual and perceived quality is therefore the most critical in relation to safety, security, efficiency and service.

### Introduction

- ICAO defines international regulations, identifies deficiencies in adoption, but can not enforce compliance with SARPs
- Several States are ensuring compliance through legislation, regulation and verification but enforcement is sometimes lacking
- Quality Management Systems new to Airports
- Increasing trend in Airport Certification primarily in the areas of efficiency and service for commercial objectives
- Quality systems should also include safety and security to combine ICAO, State, Airport and User interests

### Quality Definitions (ISO)

Quality – the totality of features and characteristics of a product or service that bear on its ability to satisfy a given need.

**Quality Policy** – the overall quality intentions and direction of an organisation as regards quality, as formally expressed by top management.

Quality Management – that aspect of the overall management function that determines and implements the quality policy.

### Quality Definitions (ISO)

<u>Quality System</u> – the organisational structure, responsibilities, procedures, processes and resources for implementing quality management.

Total Quality Management – a management approach of an organisation centred on quality, based on the participation of all its members and aimed at long term success through customer satisfaction and benefits to the members of the organisation and society.

Quality Assurance – the activities an organisation carries out to provide to external and internal parties confidence that the organisation will consistently meet the requirements for quality.

### Airpost Elements

**Processing Elements** 

Airside – Aircraft and vehicles
Terminal Area – Passengers and Cargo
Landside – Vehicles and rail

Physical Elements - Airspace, Site, Infrastructure, Facilities, Equipment

Operational Elements - Services, Procedures, Organization, Administration

### Airport Users

Entities - Airport Administration, Airlines, Agents, Concessionaires, Emergency and support service providers

People - Passengers, Employees, Visitors

Mobile Objects - Aircraft, Vehicles and Rail



Safety

Security

Efficiency

Service

Capacity

Environment

Health

### Airport Quality/Framework

International Regulation
National Legislation
National Regulation
Airport Certification
International Oversight

### International Regulation

- Convention on International Civil Aviation ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices
- Annex 14 Volume I Aerodrome Design and Operations (Safety)
- Annex 17 Security
- Annex 9 Facilitation (Efficiency and Service)
- Annex 16 Environmental Protection
- Regional Air Navigation Plans/Facility and Services Implementation Documents (Safety and Capacity)

## Amendment of Annex 14 Vol. I Certification of Aerodromes

**New Definitions** 

<u>Aerodrome Certificate</u> – A certificate issued by the appropriate authority under applicable regulations for operation of an aerodrome.

<u>Safety Management System</u> – A system for the management of safety at aerodromes including the organizational structure, responsibilities, procedures, processes and provisions for the implementation of aerodrome safety policies by an aerodrome operator, which provides for control of safety and order at, and the safe use of, the aerodrome.

## Amendment of Annex 14 Vol. I Certification of Aerodromes

#### **New Standards**

- States shall certify aerodromes used for international operations in accordance with the specifications contained in this Annex through an appropriate regulatory framework. (Recommendation for all aerodromes)
- The regulatory framework shall include for the certification of aerodromes.
- As of 27 November 2003, a certified aerodrome shall have in operation a <u>safety management system</u> as part of the certification process. (Recommendation from 1 November 2001)

## Amendment of Annex 14 Vol. I Certification of Aerodromes

#### New Recommendation

• As part of the certification process, States should ensure that an <u>aerodrome manual</u> which will include all pertinent information on the aerodrome site, facilities, services, equipment, operating procedures, organisation and management including safety management system, is submitted for approval/acceptance prior to granting the aerodrome certificate.

#### **New Guidance Material**

Manual on Certification of Aerodromes.



### National Regulation

Regulation System
Regulations/Standards

Certification Procedure

### Airport Certification

Certification is a means of demonstrating that an organisation has implemented its quality management system appropriately, involving audit by a neutral party.

Alternatives are self-certification and customer certification.

Safety Management System

Quality Management System

Specifications, Procedures, Inspections

### International Oversight

- ICAO State visits, Air Navigation Shortcomings and Deficiencies, USOAP expansion to include Annex 14 (2002), AVSEC Mechanism programme, planned Security Oversight Programme
- IATA Airport Consultative Committee, New Airport Checklist, Airport Operational Assessments, Deficiencies List, Global Airport Monitor, Manuals
- IFALPA Annex 19 Part 3 Aerodrome/Airspace Deficiencies
- ACI Facilitation & Services Standing Committee, Surveys and Handbooks
- ISO 9000 series Quality Standards
- Performance Benchmarking

### ICAO Guidange AGA Manuals

Airport Planning Manual
Aerodrome Design Manual
Airport Services Manual

- Rescue and Fire Fighting
- Pavement Surface Conditions
- Bird Control and Reduction
- Removal of Disabled Aircraft
- Control of Obstacles
- Airport Emergency Planning
- Airport Operational Services
- Airport Maintenance Practices

## ICAO Manual on Certification of Aerodromes (Draft) Contents

Aerodrome certification regulatory system

Pre-requisites for the introduction of the system

Basic aviation law

Basic principles for certification regulations
Implementation of regulations

## ICAO Manual on Certification of Aerodromes (Draft) - Contents

Aerodrome certification model/sample regulations

Structure of the aerodrome certification regulations

General

**Aerodrome Certification** 

**Aerodrome Manual** 

Obligations of the Aerodrome Operator

Exemptions

## ICAO Manual on Certification of Aerodromes (Draft) Contents

### **Aerodrome Manual**

- **General Information**
- Particulars of the Aerodrome Site
- Particulars of the Aerodrome reported to Aeronautical Information Services
- Particulars of the Aerodrome Operating Procedures and Safety Measures
- Aerodrome Administration and Safety Management System

## ICAO Manual on Certification of Aerodromes (Draft) - Contents

### Aerodrome certification procedure

- Certification process
- Dealing with the expression of interest
- Assessment of formal application for an aerodrome certificate
- Grant or refusal of a certificate
- Incorporation of the aerodrome's certified status and details in the AIP
- Transfer of an aerodrome certificate
- Surrender of an aerodrome certificate

## ICAO Manual on Certification of Aerodromes (Draft) Contents

### Regulatory Authority

Organization – Directorate of Aerodromes Standards and Safety

Functions and responsibilities

Technical library and records

**Typical Staffing** 

Qualifications, duties and responsibilities of aerodrome inspectors

# ICAO Manual on Certification of Aerodromes (Draft) - Contents Appendices

Schedule of aerodrome certification regulations – Contents of Aerodrome Manual Aerodrome certificate application form Aeronautical studies

Aerodrome certificate form

Organizational structure of a typical aerodrome safety and standards directorate

References including State examples

### ICAO Security Manual for Safeguarding Civil Aviation Against Acts of Unlawful Interference

Organization

**Preventive Security Measures** 

Management of Response to Acts of Unlawful Interference

**Human Factors** 

Protection and Storage of Security

**Documents** 

Security Technologies and Techniques

### ACI Handbook on Quality of Service at Airports: Standards & Measurements - Contents

Airport Customer and Service Analysis

Flow Processes

Quality Chain

Quality of Service Criteria and Measurement

Objective

Subjective

Certification

ISO or equivalent

Self-certification

Customer certification

### ACI Handbook on Quality of Service at Airports: Standards & Measurements - Contents

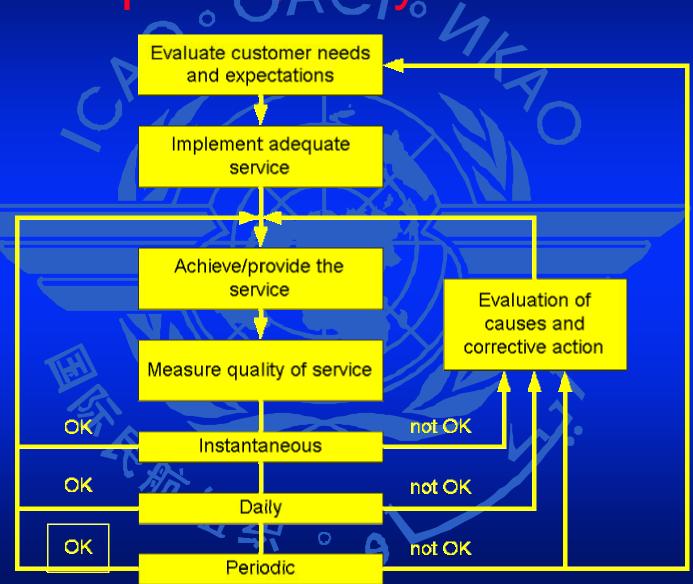
Airport Survey results
512 members, 120 responded
88 monitor quality
45 have quality management systems
41 certify to ISO standards

Objective Service Quality Criteria – Measurement Methodologies

### Airport Quality Process

Evaluation of user needs and expectations
Design and implementation of service
Operation and achievement of service
Measurement of quality of service
Evaluation and Corrective action

### Airport Quality Process



### National Airport Regulations, Certification and Licensing

Canada - Transport Canada - CARs

United States - FAA - FAR Part 139

Mexico - SCT/DGAC

Jamaica - CAA

Brazil - DAC

Argentina - ORSNA

United Kingdom - CAA - CAP 168

Australia – CAA - CAR & CAAP

Hong Kong – CAD – Aerodrome Licensing

### Organisation

Ministry of Communications and Transport General Directorate of Civil Aviation Airports Directorate

Control of Airports (Safety)
Control of Security
Verification of Obligatory Auto-inspection

Air Safety Directorate

Airport Commandants •

### Legislation and Regulations

Civil Aviation Law and Code of Regulations
Airport Law and Code of Regulations
Basic Safety Standards
Airport Verification Manual

### Regulated Airport Activities

**Airport Authorities** 

Concessions and permits

Infrastructure

Administration

Operation and services

**Tariffs** 

Security

**Environmental protection** 

Inspections

**Verification** 

**Sanctions** 

## Airport Quality: Management Systems Systems

Several Airports in Europe and Asia/Pacific are certified to ISO quality standards, few in Americas and Africa

Hamilton Int'l Airport – ISO 9002
Teterboro Airport – ISO 9002
INFRAERO (17 airports) – ISO 9001
Dublin Int'l Airport – ISO 9002
BAA (7 airports) – QSM - Quality of Service Monitor

## Dublin International Airport – Aer-Rianta

ISO 9002 (1993) - first in the world

**Airport Operations** 

Airport Maintenance

Airport Emergency Services

**CIQ Services** 

Health and Safety

Retail

Administration

**Human Resources** 

## Infraero – Empresa Brasileira de Infra-Estructura Aeroportuaria

ISO 9001 (1997) - first in the Americas - 17 Airports including Guarulhos - second busiest airport in Latin America Aircraft Ground Operational Management Airport Safety and Emergency Planning and Response Airport Infrastructure and Systems Maintenance Passenger and Public Care, Attention and Information Airport Services and Commercial Concessions Management International Air Cargo Terminal Operation Passenger and Public Information Systems Human Resources Management Airport Tariffs and Charging Process Administration and Finance Management

### John C Munro Hamilton International Airport – Ontario, Canada

ISO 9002 (2000) – first in North America
Airfield Maintenance
Security and Emergency Services
Leasing and Airport Administration

## Teterboro Airport, New Jersey, USA USA

ISO 9002 (2000) – first in USA

**Operations** 

Maintenance

Accounting

Noise Abatement

Administration

Airport Operational Safety Self-Inspection Programme

**24 ASA** 

9 ASUR

**12 GAP** 

13 GACN

GACM MEX - busiest airport in Latin America

### **Airport Inspections**

Daily

Continuous

Periodic

**Special** 

Daily Airport Inspections

**Aircraft Pavements** Runway and Taxiway Strips Markings and Signs Airfield Lighting Visual Aids **Obstacles Aviation Fuel Storage Facility** Ice and snow Construction Rescue and Fire-fighting Services Wildlife Hazards Airside Vehicles Access

### BAA (formerly British Airports Authority)

- 7 Airports in the UK, concessions in Australia, US, Italy and Mauritius, including Heathrow – busiest international airport in the world
- Health, Safety, Security & Environment Management System (Responsible Management) – self assessment and audits by HSSE Compliance Team
- Measuring, Monitoring and Improving Service Quality
- "If it moves, count it. If it stops, talk to it."
- Subjective Measurement of Customer Satisfaction passive (feedback) and active (QSM)
- QSM Quality of Service Monitor Rating System
- (processes, retailing, catering, lounges trolleys)
- Objective Measurement of Service Delivery (performance) – records and surveys
- Benchmarking time, internal, external

### Benefits of Quality Management

- Quality Culture
- Sets high standards
- Productivity and efficiency
- Service performance
- Customer satisfaction
- Customer perception of organization's quality
- Personnel communication, morale and job satisfaction and understanding
- Competitive advantage
- Documentation
- Reduced costs
- Increased Market Share

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Airport Capacity/Demand Management, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. 1996, Airports Council International / International Air Transport Association

Airport Development Reference Manual, 8th ed. 1995, International Air Transport Association

International Organization for Standardization ISO 9000 - 9004 Quality Standards

### FinalAThought

Quality management at airports ensures safety, security, efficiency and service thereby stimulating air traffic growth and increasing financial profit

"Quality controls are not a luxury, they are essential to your business" - ACI

