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General requirements for equipment installed on Airbus helicopters

SPX 902A0002E0x : Environmental requirements

- SPX 902A0002E01 (master document) for general requirements, definitions of deliverables & standards to be used
- SPX 902A0002E02 (EMC appendix)
- SPX 902A0002E03 (general environment appendix) for requirements & procedures applicable for climatic conditions
- SPX 902A0002E04 (thermal appendix for AH internal use only) for temperature level to be respected in these tests

References:

- Do160 / ED14G Environmental conditions and test procedures for airborne equipment
- ED 234 Supplement to ED-14G user's guide
- RTCA DO-357 User Guide: Supplement to DO160G
- AC 21-16G Advisory Circular
- MIL-STD-810 Iss G Environmental Engineering Considerations and Laboratory Tests
- 2020-181-C-AHD-MITB Quality Escape for fire extinguisher



In detail...

- Natural, climatic, induced conditions
 - Thermal conditions: high and low temperatures
 - Temperature and altitude: stoprage (ground survival), short-time operating and operating
 - Temperature variation
 - Humidity
 - Fungus
 - Salt fog
 - Sand and dust
 - Waterproofness
 - Icing
 - Fluid susceptibility
 - Solar radiation
 - Explosion proofness
 - Fire resistance & flammability

- Mechanical environment
 - Vibrations for known / unknown helicopter frequencies
 - Operational shocks and crash safety
- Lightning direct effects
- Bird strike
- Specific requirements & military environments



Requirements for FTI equipment installed on Airbus helicopters

SAFETY FIRST!

SPX 902A0002E0x Environmental requirements → nice to have !

FTI not mission critical, but... FT is expensive → securing measurement results

Actually depend on

- Installation area: inside / outside cabin, rotating
- Intrusiveness: mechanical, electrical
- Duration of operation

If standards / norms are respected by the equipment → ok If not (also for home made items):

- Home made tests in lab (temp, vib, EMC/EMI) & flight validation before official usage
- Risk analysis with Design Office specialist (e.g. lightning)



Validation of FTI installation

- Installation developed in FTI Design Office with, if needed, support of Design Office specialists
- Installation description is linked to Permit to Fly
- Bang Tests, B-Tests
- Inspection Reports performed by TVE (Test Validation Engineer)
- Final validation by CVE (Certification Validation Engineer) = FTE (Flight Test Engineer)



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Other requirements for FTI equipment

- Known data format: IENA, IRIG 106 Ch10...
- Known description format: Xidml



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