

Notice No.

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1<sup>st</sup> February 2021**Update – Suspension of Boeing B737-8 and -9  
MAX**

Following the accident of an Ethiopian airlines Boeing 737-8 MAX aircraft on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and an earlier accident involving a Lion Air aircraft of the same model on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018, the Bermuda Civil Aviation Authority (BCAA) on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 issued Safety Notice - SAFN 01-19, which suspended the Certificate of Airworthiness for the Boeing 737-8 and -9 MAX aircraft. In addition, BCAA on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 issued a Direction under Article 68 of the Air Navigation (Overseas Territories) Order 2013, prohibiting flights of Boeing 737-8 and -9 MAX aircraft in the airspace of Bermuda.

After a collaborative approach over a period of 20 months, the major aviation authorities, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) of the United States, Transport Canada (TCCA), the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), the United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority (UK CAA) and the Brazilian National Civil Aviation Agency (ANAC), have indicated their confidence to declare the aircraft safe to fly again. BCAA requirements permit acceptance of these major authority's aircraft certification standards. Each of the relevant certificating authorities have now addressed the deficiencies identified, either through their own airworthiness and operational directives, or through full adoption of the FAA required measures.

Having considered the Boeing and FAA investigation of accident causation, its recommendations and those mandatory actions taken and proposed by other authorities, BCAA issued Safety Notice - SAFN 01-21, effective 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021, which revokes the Direction in SAFN 01-19 dated 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

BCAA has also confirmed with airlines operating Boeing 737 MAX aircraft to/from Bermuda that they have fully implemented the respective directives issued by their State Authorities.

Subsequently, BCAA issued Safety Notice - SAFN 02-21, effective 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021 which revokes the Direction prohibiting the Boeing 737 MAX from operating in Bermuda airspace.

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