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8.33 KHZ CHANNEL SPACING BELOW FL195 IN THE ICAO EUR REGION

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This AIC provides advanced notification to airspace users in respect of the implementation of 8.33 KHZ channel spacing below FL195 in the ICAO EUR region according to the commission implementing regulation No. 1079/2012.
- 1.2 The demand for VHF assignments in the aeronautical mobile radio communication service band 118 to 137 MHz continues to grow due to:
 - a) The creation and modification of ATC sectors;
 - b) The creation and modification of air traffic services such as approach, tower and ATIS;
 - c) The provision of backup services and avoiding interference;
 - d) The provision of aeronautical operational control (AOC) services;
 - e) Accommodating VHF Digital Link services.

2 IMPLEMENTATION OF 8.33 KHZ BELOW FL195 IN THE ICAO EUR REGION

- 2.1 The Eurocontrol Member States have supported a recommendation to implement 8.33 KHZ channel spacing below FL195 in the ICAO EUR Region with a carriage date latest of 31st December 2018.
- 2.2 Detailed information on the various steps to be taken by the respective stakeholders are available on the internet on the Eurocontrol homepage (www.eurocontrol.int).

3 IMPLEMENTATION OF 8.33 KHZ BELOW FL195 IN AUSTRIA

- 3.1 In Austria, the mandatory carriage and operation of 8.33 KHZ channel spacing capable radio equipment for aircraft operating as GAT below FL195 has a tentative effective date of the **31st December 2017 at the latest**.
- 3.2 Air navigation service providers, operators and other users or owners of radios shall ensure that from **17th November 2013** their radios include the 8.33 KHZ channel spacing capability whenever they are subject to radio upgrades.
- 3.3 Detailed information on the various steps to be taken by the respective stakeholders are available on the internet on the Eurocontrol homepage (www.eurocontrol.int).

4 EQUIPAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

- 4.1 Airspace users note the date and prepare for 8.33 KHZ mandatory carriage below FL195 according the commission implementing regulation No. 1079/2012.

5 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information on the policy, planning and implementation of 8.33 KHZ spaced channels in Austria can be obtained from:

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