



CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF FIJI

NOTICE TO ALL AVIATION STAKEHOLDERS

The Civil Aviation Authority of Fiji (CAAF) is seeking industry feedback on amendments to the Standards Document - Search and Rescue (SAR).

The amendments to the Standards Document - SAR align with the latest provisions of ICAO Annex 12 Search and Rescue, including Amendment 19. The Amendment 19 relates to the following:

- 1) Global Aeronautical Distress and Safety System (GADSS) which aims to facilitate contact between Air traffic Services Units, Air Operators and Rescue Coordination Centers (RCCs), and will ensure that RCCs receive notification on the location of an aircraft in distress in a timely manner, as of **24 November 2024**.
- 2) Elements concerning drift measurement, responsiveness of search and rescue (SAR) points of contact, methods for allowing other States to assist in SAR operations, safety of SAR personnel at accident sites, conduct of exercises, and procedures to be followed when intercepting a distress transmission, as of **26 November 2026**.

We invite your participation in a 2-week consultation process ending **19 July 2024**. Please submit your feedback using **Form QA109** to the Standards & Compliance Department via email to emsc@caaf.org.fj . The Effective date for this amendment is 22 July 2024.

The draft Standards Document - SAR can be accessed via <https://caaf.org.fj/industry-consultation-process/consultation>

We appreciate your contribution to improving aviation safety and security in Fiji.