



## **MISASA**

Microlight & Sport Aeroplane Association of South Africa  
Technical Feedback

### **Annual Technical Report 2021**

2021 was a trying year to say the least. Meetings held with CAA have been quite productive seen that the new normal is having meeting by Microsoft Teams. It has its advantages and the CAA are now getting used to having meetings in this manner. Industry has been asking for this for years and it was never forthcoming. Covid did us a favour forcing them to come up with easier and more manageable methods of communicating with industry.

We saw the application process improve in the sense that applications for ATF and licences can now be done by email. It was very frustrating in the beginning but most of the glitches seem to have now been ironed out and things are running more smoothly on the whole. It is very important to make your application as complete as possible and make sure that what you are submitting is accurate. This will result in much smoother results.

The use of Teams Meetings has reduced travel costs tremendously to attend meetings as well as freeing up a lot of wasted time spent travelling in the past.

The last year and its challenges have resulted in me fielding many queries from industry ranging from licencing to ATF applications and helping people with contacting CAA regarding a host of queries.

#### **ARO status:**

The ARO has just been renewed and is valid until 31 January 2023. I am proud to report that we have had two full audits without any findings over the last two years. The Manual Of Procedures was updated to accommodate the Part 149 regulations and was found suitable by CAA.

#### **AP Panel**

I have been a panel member over the last year representing MISASA and have enjoyed the time being on this panel. The panel adjudicates AP applications amongst other things. They are also in the process of rewriting Part 66.4 of the regulations. CAA is constantly looking at new ways to use the AP Panel and I think it will be used more and more in the future.

It has been a pleasure being on the committee over the last year and thank you for your support.

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