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## **Aviation Transport Security (Screening Officer Requirements) Determination 2021**

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I, Michael Pezzullo AO, Secretary of the Department of Home Affairs, make this instrument under section 94A of the *Aviation Transport Security Act 2004*.

Dated 10 June 2021

Michael Pezzullo  
Secretary  
Department of Home Affairs

## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Aviation Transport Security (Screening Officer Requirements) Determination 2021*

## 2 Commencement

This instrument commences immediately after the commencement of Schedule 2 to the *Transport Security Amendment (Testing and Training) Act 2020*.

## 3 Definitions

*Note 1* Some terms used in this instrument are defined in the Act, including:

- baggage
- screening authority
- screening officer.

*Note 2* Some terms used in this instrument are defined in the Regulations, including:

- ASIC
- properly displaying.

In this instrument:

*Act* means the *Aviation Transport Security Act 2004*.

*existing screening officer* means a screening officer who:

- (a) was engaged or employed by a screening authority as a screening officer at any time in the 12 months before this instrument commences; and
- (b) since the commencement of this instrument has not ceased engagement or employment as a screening officer for any period of at least 24 months.

*independent screening decision* means a decision whether to allow a person, personal effects, carry-on baggage, goods or a vehicle to pass through a screening point, without prompting or guidance from a supervising screening officer.

*new screening officer* means a screening officer who is:

- (a) not an existing screening officer; and
- (b) engaged or employed by a screening authority as a screening officer after this instrument commences.

*Regulations* means the *Aviation Transport Security Regulations 2005*.

## 4 Application

This instrument determines requirements under section 94A of the Act for screening officers.

## 5 Qualifications

- (1) A new screening officer must hold any of the following qualifications:
  - (a) Certificate II in Transport Security Protection;
  - (b) a qualification that the Secretary is satisfied is will enable the holder to carry out the duties of a screening officer under the Act.
- (2) An existing screening officer must hold any of the following qualifications:
  - (a) Certificate II in Security Operations;
  - (b) a qualification that the Secretary is satisfied is equivalent to a Certificate II in Security Operations;

(c) Certificate II in Transport Security Protection.

- (3) The qualifications mentioned in this section for a screening officer who is an existing screening officer or a new screening officer are required for the screening officer to carry out each power and function mentioned in Division 5 of Part 5 of the Act.

*Note* The Secretary may exempt a class of screening officers from any of these requirements—see Act, section 94B.

## **6 Training**

The training requirement for a person who is a new screening officer or an existing screening officer is that, until the person's supervisor is satisfied the person is competent as a screening officer and while on duty as a screening officer, the person:

- (a) is supervised by a screening officer capable of making an independent screening decision; and
- (b) does not make an independent screening decision.

*Note* The Secretary may exempt a class of screening officers from 1 or more of these requirements—see Act, section 94B.

## **7 Aviation security identification cards**

A screening officer must at all times properly display a valid ASIC while on duty.

*Note* A screening officer must also properly display a valid ASIC when otherwise required by the Regulations.

## **8 Uniforms**

A screening officer must wear a distinctive and recognisable uniform.

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