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Certification Policy

This policy is provided to clarify the certification that will be provided when Gulf Aerospace, Inc. (Gulf) performs Inspect, Repair or Overhaul on an aircraft part.

As part of our contract (Purchase or Repair Order) review process we verify the certification you request/require. If we note a conflict in the certification you request/require with some other information on your order or any other paperwork associated with your order, we will ask for clarification in writing before we commence work as the type of certification may change the applicable Technical Data, acceptable component parts and/or pricing.

Generally, the certifications provided by Gulf Aerospace, Inc. and the appropriate operators for which they should be issued are as follows:

Type of Certification: Gulf can issue a Certificate of Conformance (COC or C of C) for any article. We can issue alone or with an FAA Release, however, an FAA release is never appropriate for a military article unless the aircraft it is going on is type certificated.	Appropriate for: This column is provided for reference. Generally, if you request a specific certification, Gulf does not need to know who the operator is, however, if you do not know the appropriate certification, this chart may be of assistance. If you provide us with the operator, we can assist you in determining proper certification.
FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) Maintenance Release in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulation 43 and/or 8130-3	US Commercial (Civil) Operator
Certificate of Conformance in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulations and/or specific contract such as Form 1348.	US Department of Defense and other US government entity or Foreign Military or Government under specific US contract
Certificate of Conformance	Foreign Military or Government Owner/Operator

Our concern is that paperwork not reflect a conflict. A discrepancy may arise, if for instance, you request an FAA Maintenance Release or 8130-3 and then somewhere else on your paperwork you indicate the article is for U.S. or foreign military. Generally, it is not appropriate for us to issue an FAA Maintenance Release or 8130-3 for an article that we know is for a military application. We will ask for clarification in writing

COSTS: In many instances the cost of Inspection, Repair or Overhaul is the same regardless of the Certification issued. This is not always the case. Costs many vary depending on the specific requirements of the applicable Technical Data that is appropriate to the article's Certification as well as the Operators authority and specific requirements. Gulf notes on every formal Quote and Approval Packet the Certification we are offering based on your prior verbal or written instructions. Once you sign our formal QAP, should you need to change the Certification you require, we may have to issue a revised QAP. If you determine you require a different Certification after an article has already shipped, determination of action and costs can only be determined on an order by order basis.

In all cases **if you request an FAA release after an article ships**, the article must be returned to Gulf. Gulf feels the Regulations are very clear that Gulf must have the article physically in our possession at the time the FAA Release/8130 are signed/issued and Gulf's Principal Maintenance Inspector (PMI) from the FAA has made the FAA's position crystal clear.

Questions should be directed to Bonnie L. Leyden, Chief Operating Officer, at the phone number noted above or Operations@GulfAerospace.com.