

Safety Attribute Inspection (SAI) Data Collection Tool
4.1.1 RII Personnel (AW)

ELEMENT SUMMARY INFORMATION

Purpose of this Element (certificate holder's responsibility):

- To ensure each person used to perform required inspections holds the appropriate airman certificate, is properly trained, qualified, and authorized to perform required inspections.

Objective (FAA oversight):

- To determine if the certificate holder's RII Personnel process meets all applicable requirements of Title 14 of the Code of the Federal Regulations (14 CFR) and FAA policies.
- To determine if the certificate holder's RII Personnel process incorporates the safety attributes.
- To identify any shortfalls in the certificate holder's RII Personnel process.

Specific Instructions:

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Specific Regulatory Requirements (SRRs):

- SRRs:
 - 121.135(a)(1)
 - 121.135(b)(1)
 - 121.135(b)(2)
 - 121.135(b)(3)
 - 121.371(a)
 - 121.371(b)
 - 121.371(c)
 - 121.371(d)
 - 121.378(a)

Related CFRs & FAA Policy/Guidance:

- Related CFRs:
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- FAA Policy/Guidance:
 - FAA Order 8900.1, Volume 3, Chapter 24

SAI Section 1 - Procedures Attribute

Objective: Procedures, instructions, and information are documented methods for accomplishing a process. The certificate holder's policies should establish their compliance posture. Policies may be stand-alone statements, or they may be imbedded within procedures, instructions, or information regarding a particular regulatory requirement. The questions in this section of the data collection tool (DCT) are designed to assist the inspector in determining if the certificate holder has documented or prescribed methods of accomplishing the process requirements that provide answers to the associated questions regarding who, what, when, where, and how. This section contains policy questions, procedural questions, and instructional or informational questions pertaining to various types of certificate holder requirements such as actions, prohibitions, or resources (i.e., personnel, facilities, equipment, technical data, etc.).

Tasks

	To meet this objective, the inspector must accomplish the following tasks:
1.	Review the information listed in the Supplemental Information section of this DCT.
2.	Review the duties and responsibilities for management and other personnel identified by the certificate holder who accomplish the RII Personnel process.
3.	Review the certificate holder's RII Personnel process to ensure it contains the policies, procedures, instructions and information necessary for personnel to perform their duties and responsibilities with a high degree of safety.

Questions

	To meet this objective, the inspector must answer the following questions:	
1.	Does the certificate holder's RII Personnel process meet the specific regulatory and FAA policy requirements:	
1.1.	<p>Does the certificate holder's system include instructions and information necessary for the personnel concerned to not use any person to perform a required inspection unless that person is appropriately certificated, properly trained, qualified and authorized to do so?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(a)</p> <p><i>Related Design JTIs:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned to not use any person to perform required inspections (RII) unless that person is appropriately certificated. <i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(a) <i>Interfaces:</i> 1.1.1(AW); 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 2.1.2(AW); 4.4.3(AW); 7.1.2(AW) 2. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary to allow personnel concerned to not use any person to perform an RII unless that person is qualified to do so. <i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(a) <i>Interfaces:</i> 1.1.1(AW); 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 4.2.2(AW); 7.1.2(AW) 3. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned to not use any person to perform an RII unless that person is authorized to do so 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

	<p><i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(a)</p> <p><i>Interfaces:</i> 1.1.1(AW); 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 4.2.2(AW); 7.1.2(AW)</p>	
1.2.	<p>Does the certificate holder s system include instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned to not use any person to perform a required inspection unless, at that time, the person performing that inspection is under the supervision and control of an inspection unit?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(b)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.3.	<p>Does the certificate holder s system include instructions and information for RII authorized personnel that, no person may perform a required inspection if that person performed an item of work that is required to be inspected?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(c)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.4.	<p>Does the certificate holder s system include instructions and information necessary to allow personnel concerned to perform the duty and responsibility of maintaining a current listing of persons who have been trained, qualified, and authorized to conduct required inspections?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.5.	<p>If the certificate holder makes arrangements with other persons to perform required inspection items (RII), does their system include instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned to maintain, or determine that each person with whom they arrange for the performance of required inspection items maintains, a current listing of persons who have been trained, qualified, and authorized to perform required inspections?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d)</p> <p><i>Related Design JTIs:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary to allow personnel concerned to determine that each person with whom it has arranged to perform its required inspections (RII) maintains a current listing of persons, identified by name, occupational title and the inspections that they are authorized to perform, who have been trained, qualified and authorized to conduct RII. <p><i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d)</p> <p><i>Interfaces:</i> 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.7(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 4.2.2(AW); 7.1.2(AW)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
1.6.	<p>Does the certificate holder s system include instructions and information for the personnel concerned with maintaining and keeping current the list of personnel who have been trained, qualified and authorized to conduct required inspections that, the list must identify the persons by name, occupational title and the inspections they are authorized to perform?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d)</p> <p><i>Related Design JTIs:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned to maintain a current listing of persons, who have been trained, qualified and authorized to conduct RII. identified by name, occupational title and the inspections that they are authorized to perform <p><i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d)</p> <p><i>Interfaces:</i> 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 4.2.2(AW); 7.1.2(AW)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

1.7.	<p>Does the certificate holder s system include instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned (or persons with whom it has arranged to perform its required inspections) to perform the duty and responsibility of giving written information to each person authorized to perform its required inspections describing the extent of their responsibilities, authorities, and inspectional limitations?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d)</p> <p><i>Related Design JTIs:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The certificate holders manual system contains a policy to make available its current listing of persons who have been trained, qualified, and authorized to conduct required inspections to the Administrator upon request. <i>Sources:</i> 121.135(b)(1); 121.371(d) <i>Interfaces:</i> 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 4.2.2(AW); 7.1.2(AW) 2. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned to provide written information to each person authorized to conduct RII describing the extent of his responsibilities, authorities and inspection limitations. <i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d) <i>Interfaces:</i> 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 7.1.2(AW) 3. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned to determine that each person with whom it arranges to perform RII, provides each person so authorized written information describing the extent of their responsibilities, authority and inspection limitations. <i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d) <i>Interfaces:</i> 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.7(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 7.1.2(AW) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.8.	<p>Does the certificate holder s system include instructions and information for the personnel concerned that, the current listing of persons who have been trained, qualified, and authorized to conduct required inspections shall be made available for inspection by the Administrator upon request?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.371(d)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.9.	<p>Does the certificate holder s system include instructions and information for personnel who authorize a person to perform required inspections that, each person performing required inspections must hold an appropriate airman certificate (except for required inspections performed by repair stations certificated under the provisions of 14 CFR 145, Subpart C, titled Foreign Repair Stations)?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1); 121.378(a)</p> <p><i>Related Design JTIs:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check that the certificate holder's manual includes instructions and information necessary for personnel concerned that each person performing required inspections to hold an appropriate certificate. <i>Sources:</i> 121.135(a)(1); 121.378(a) <i>Interfaces:</i> 1.1.1(AW); 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 4.2.2(AW); 4.4.3(AW); 7.1.2(AW) 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.10.	<p>Does the certificate holder's RII Personnel process comply with the guidance contained in FAA Order 8900.1?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

	<p><i>Related Design JTIs:</i></p> <p>1. Check that the certificate holders manual system includes a method for receiving confirmation by the candidate of acceptance of RII authorizations and responsibilities</p> <p><i>Sources:</i> FAA Order 8900.1, Vol 3, Ch 24, Para 3-1900, D, 3.</p> <p><i>Interfaces:</i> 1.3.4(AW); 1.3.14(AW); 2.1.1(AW); 7.1.2(AW)</p>	
2.	<p>Does the certificate holder s manual contain general policies for the RII Personnel process that comply with the specific regulatory requirements?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(b)(1); 121.371(a); 121.371(b); 121.371(c); 121.371(d); 121.378(a)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
3.	<p>Does the certificate holder's manual reference the appropriate Federal Aviation Regulations listed in the Supplemental Information section of this safety attribute inspection (SAI)?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(b)(3)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
4.	<p>Does the certificate holder s manual contain the duties and responsibilities for personnel concerned to accomplish the RII Personnel process?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(b)(2)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
5.	<p>Does the certificate holder s manual include instructions and information for personnel concerned to meet the requirements of the RII Personnel process?</p> <p>SRRs: 121.135(a)(1)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

SAI Section 1 - Procedures Attribute Drop-Down Menu	
1.	No procedures, policy, instructions or information specified.
2.	Procedures or instructions and information do not identify (who, what, when, where, how).
3.	Procedures, policy or instructions and information do not comply with CFR.
4.	Procedures, policy or instructions and information do not comply with FAA policy and guidance.
5.	Procedures, policy or instructions and information do not comply with other documentation (e.g., manufacturer's data, Jeppesen's Charts, etc.).
6.	Procedures, policy or instructions and information unclear or incomplete.
7.	Documentation quality (e.g., unreadable or illegible).
8.	Procedures, policy or instructions and information inconsistent across Certificate Holder manuals (FOM - Flight Operations Manual to GMM - General Maintenance Manual, etc.).
9.	Procedures, policy or instructions and information inconsistent across media (e.g., paper, microfiche, electronic).
10.	Resource requirements incomplete (personnel, facilities, equipment, technical data).
11.	Other.

SAI Section 2 - Controls Attribute

Objective: Controls are checks and restraints designed into a process to ensure a desired result. The questions in this section of the DCT are designed to assist the inspector in determining if checks and restraints are designed into the process to ensure the desired result is achieved. Controls should be written into the system to ensure that the most important policies, procedures, or instructions and information will be followed.

Controls may be in the form of administrative controls, which are secondary or supplemental written procedures. Like written procedures, administrative controls also need to provide answers to questions regarding who, what, when, where, and how. Controls may also be in the form of engineered controls, such as automated features or mechanical actions or devices (i.e., safety devices, warning devices, etc.).

Tasks

To meet this objective, the inspector must perform the following tasks:

1. Review the control questions below.
2. Review the certificate holder's policies, procedures, instructions, and information to gain an understanding of the controls that it has documented.

Questions

	To meet this objective, the inspector must answer the following questions:	
1.	Are the following controls built into the RII Personnel process:	
1.1	Is there a control or controls in place to ensure that the current listing of RII personnel contains the name, occupational title, and the inspections the persons are authorized to perform for the certificate holder?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.2	Is there a control or controls in place to ensure that the personnel on the current RII list hold the appropriate airman certificate for the required inspection items they are authorized to perform for the certificate holder?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.3	Is there a control or controls in place to ensure that the personnel on the current RII list are properly trained, qualified, and authorized to perform the required inspection items?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.4	Is there a control or controls in place to ensure that written information is given to the individuals authorized by the certificate holder to perform required inspection items, describing the extent of their responsibilities, authorities and inspectional limitations?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
2.	Does the certificate holder have a documented method for assessing the impact of any changes made to the controls in the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

SAI Section 2 - Controls Attribute Drop-Down Menu	
1.	No controls specified.
2.	Documentation for the controls do not identify (who, what, when, where, how).
3.	Controls incomplete.
4.	Controls could be circumvented.
5.	Controls could be unenforceable.
6.	Resource requirements incomplete (personnel, facilities, equipment, technical data).
7.	Other.

SAI Section 3 - Process Measurement Attribute

Objective: Process measurements are used by the certificate holder to measure and assess its processes, to identify and correct problems or potential problems, and to make improvements to the processes. The questions in this section of the DCT are designed to assist the inspector in determining if the certificate holder measures or assesses information to identify, analyze, and document potential problems with the process. Process measurements are a certificate holder's internal evaluation or auditing of the most important policies, procedures, or instructions and information associated with an element.

To prevent the duplication of work, process measurements are most commonly addressed through a combination of auditing features contained in both the certificate holder's safety program/internal evaluation program (for operations and cabin safety-related issues) and the auditing function of the Continuous Analysis and Surveillance System (for airworthiness or maintenance/inspection-related issues). The director of safety and the quality assurance department often work together to accomplish this function for the certificate holder. This approach requires amendment of the safety program/internal evaluation program audit forms or checklists and the Continuous Analysis and Surveillance System audit forms or checklists to include the specific process measurements for each element.

Tasks

	To meet this objective, the inspector must perform the following tasks:
1.	Review the process measurement questions below.
2.	Review the certificate holder's policies, procedures, instructions, and information to gain an understanding of the process measurements that it has documented.

Questions

	To meet this objective, the inspector must answer the following questions:	
1.	Does the certificate holder's RII Personnel process include the following process measurements:	
1.1.	Process measurements that would reveal when the certificate holder failed to ensure that the current listing of RII personnel contained the name, occupational title, and the inspections the persons are authorized to perform for the certificate holder?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.2.	Process measurements that would reveal when the certificate holder failed to ensure that the personnel on the current RII list holds the appropriate airman certificate for the required inspection items they are authorized to perform for the certificate holder?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.3.	Process measurements that would reveal when the certificate holder failed to ensure that the personnel on the current RII list were properly trained, and qualified to conduct the required inspection items they are authorized to perform for the certificate holder?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
1.4.	Process measurements that would reveal when the certificate holder failed to ensure that written information was given to the individuals authorized by the certificate holder to perform required inspection items, describing the extent of their responsibilities, authorities and inspectional limitations?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

2.	Is there a process measurement or process measurements that would reveal if the certificate holder's policy, procedures, instructions, and information were not followed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
3.	Does the certificate holder document its process measurement methods and results?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
4.	Does the certificate holder use its process measurement results to improve its programs?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
5.	Does the organization that conducts the process measurements have direct access to the person with responsibility for the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

SAI Section 3 - Process Measurement Attribute Drop-Down Menu	
1.	No process measurements specified.
2.	Documentation for the process measurements does not identify (who, what, when, where, how).
3.	Inability to identify negative findings.
4.	No provisions for implementing corrective actions.
5.	Ineffective follow-up to determine effectiveness of corrective actions.
6.	Resources requirements (personnel, facilities, equipment, technical data).
7.	Other.

SAI Section 4 - Interfaces Attribute

Objective: Interfaces are used by the certificate holder to identify and manage the interactions between processes. The questions in this section of the DCT are designed to assist the inspector in determining whether or not interactions between the policies, procedures, or instructions and information associated with other independent processes within the certificate holder's organization are documented. Written policies, procedures, or instructions and information that are interrelated and located in different areas within the certificate holder's system must be consistent and complement each other. For the interfaces to be effectively managed, the certificate holder's system should identify and document the interfaces.

Tasks

	To meet this objective, the inspector must accomplish the following tasks:
1.	Review the interfaces associated with the RII Personnel process that have been identified along with the individual questions in the section 1, Procedures, of this DCT.
2.	Review the certificate holder's policies, procedures, instructions, and information to gain an understanding of the interfaces that it has documented.

Questions

	To meet this objective, the inspector must answer the following questions:	
	Note: The design job task items (JTIs) displayed with the questions in section 1, Procedures, of this DCT identify potential interfaces (by element number) for this element.	
1.	Does the certificate holder properly address the interfaces that are identified along with the questions in section 1, Procedures of this DCT?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
2.	Does the certificate holder document a method for assessing the impact of any changes to the associated interfaces within the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

SAI Section 4 - Interfaces Attribute Drop-Down Menu	
1.	No interfaces specified.
2.	The following interfaces not identified within the Certificate Holder's manual system:
3.	Interfaces listed are inaccurate.
4.	Specific location of interfaces not identified within the manual system.
5.	Other

SAI Section 5 - Management Responsibility & Authority Attributes

Objective: The questions in this section of the DCT address the responsibility and authority of the process. They are designed to assist the inspector in determining if there is a clearly identifiable, qualified, and knowledgeable person who is responsible for the process, is answerable for the quality of the process, and has the authority to establish and modify the process. (The person with the authority may or may not be the person with the responsibility.)

Tasks

	To meet this objective, the inspector must accomplish the following tasks:
1.	Identify the person who has overall responsibility for the RII Personnel process.
2.	Identify the person who has overall authority for the RII Personnel process.
3.	Review the duties and responsibilities of the person(s), documented in the certificate holder's manual.
4.	Review the appropriate organizational chart.

Questions

	To meet this objective, the inspector must answer the following questions:	
1.	Does the certificate holder clearly identify who is responsible for the quality of the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain Name/Title:
2.	Does the certificate holder clearly identify who has authority to establish and modify the policies, procedures, instructions, and information for the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain Name/Title:
3.	Does the certificate holder s manual include the duties and responsibilities of those who manage the work required by the RII Personnel process? SRRs: 121.135(b)(2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
4.	Does the certificate holder s manual include instructions and information for those who manage the work required by the RII Personnel process? SRRs: 121.135(a)(1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
5.	Does the certificate holder clearly and completely document the responsibility for this position?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
6.	Does the certificate holder clearly and completely document the authority for this position?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
7.	Does the certificate holder clearly and completely document their qualification standards for the person having responsibility for the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
8.	Does the certificate holder clearly and completely document their qualification standards for the person having authority to establish and modify the certificate holder's policies, procedures, instructions, and information for the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain
9.	Does the certificate holder clearly and completely document the procedures for delegation of authority for the RII Personnel process?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, Explain

SAI Section 5 - Management Responsibility & Authority Attributes Drop-Down Menu
1. Not documented.
2. Documentation unclear.
3. Documentation incomplete.
4. Other.