Electrical Wiring Interconnection System (EWIS) and FAA Requirements (AERO0230)

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Course Description
This course discusses the FAA Code of Federal Regulations (CFRs) and design concepts required to ensure all aspects of aircraft electrical wiring and installation are safe. It examines aircraft wiring as a system and reviews all Part 25 CFRs related to EWIS FAA certification. Student teams will review FAA Advisory Circulars and present practical applications of the information in a simulation of the EWIS certification process. EWIS requirements for aircraft maintenance and inspection will also be discussed.

Students will work in teams to gain hands-on experience building an STC Electrical/Avionics System Installation project incorporating the information they learn as they progress through the course.

Course Highlights
- EWIS best practices
- Team EWIS workshops
- DER/UM EWIS requirements
- EWIS examples and practical applications
- Review of advisory circulars

Who Should Attend?
The course is designed for all aircraft design areas including electrical, avionics, and HIRF/lightning engineers and aircraft technicians. Aircraft managers and project engineers working in electrical/avionics related areas should also attend.

Course Outline
Day One
- Introduction
- Electromagnetic Effects Overview: Areas, Testing & Certification
  - Electromagnetic interference (EMI)
  - Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)
Electrical bonding
- Electrostatic discharge (ESD)
- Precipitation static (P-STATIC)
- High-intensity radiated fields (HIRF)
- Lightning
- EWIS Background and the FAA and EWIS
  - DER/UM EWIS requirements
- Electrical Bonding and Protection Against Static Electricity
- Aircraft EWIS best practices job aid—background and examples
- Aircraft Wiring Arc Resistance Testing

Day Two
- Certification of Electrical Wiring Interconnection Systems on Transport Category Airplanes
  - Advisory Circular 25.1703
  - Advisory Circular 25.1705
  - Advisory Circular 25.1707
  - Advisory Circular 25.1709
- EWIS examples and practical applications

Day Three
- Certification of Electrical Wiring Interconnection Systems on Transport Category Airplanes, continued
  - Advisory Circular 25.1701-1 – (1) 1711 – 1713 – 1717
  - Advisory Circular 25.1701-1 – (1) 1719 – 1721 – 1723
  - Advisory Circular 25.1701-1 – (1) 1725 – 1727 – 1729 – 1733
- Fuel Tank Ignition Source Prevention Guidelines
  - Advisory Circular 25.981-1C
- Acceptable Methods, Techniques, and Practices – Aircraft Inspection and Repair
- Certification case study design examples

Day Four
- Fuel Tank Ignition Source Prevention Guidelines, continued
- Introduction to Continued Airworthiness Using Enhanced Zonal Analysis Procedure (EZAP) 25-27A
- Electrical Equipment and Installations
  - Advisory Circular 25.1353-1A
- Circuit Protective Devices
  - Advisory Circular 25.1357-1A
- Fire Protection Systems
  - Advisory Circular 25.869-1A
- Electrical Supplies for Emergency Conditions
  - Advisory Circular 25.1362
- Protection Against Injury
Advisory Circular 25.1360-1

Day Five
- CFR compliance statements
- Final EWIS discussion and questions
- EWIS final exam presentations

Classroom hours / CEUs
31.5 classroom hours
3.15 CEUs

Certificate Track
Aerospace Compliance
Aircraft Maintenance and Safety
Avionics and Avionic Components
Electromagnetic Effects
Electrical Wiring Interconnection System (EWIS)

Course Fees
Early registration course fee: $2,495 if you register and pay by the early registration deadline (45 days out).

Regular registration course fee: $2,695 if you register and pay after the early registration deadline.

U.S. Federal Employee Discount
This course is available to U.S. federal employees at 10% off the registration fee. To receive the federal employee discount, you must enter the code FGV116 during the checkout process. Please note that you must validate your eligibility to receive this discount by entering your U.S. government email address (ending in .gov or .mil) when creating your online registration profile. This discount is available for both the early registration and regular registration fees.

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Instructor Bios

C. Bruce Stephens is an HIRF/Lightning/EWIS ODA UM/AR at the Boeing Company and a consultant DER at his company, Stephens Aviation, with a wealth of experience in High Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF) and Lightning protection of Aircraft. Stephens retired from Hawker Beechcraft after 28 years of service. He has HIRF/Lightning experience on both Part 23 and Part 25 including composite aircraft. Stephens is working with the Boeing Team to develop EWIS requirements and means of compliance on several aircraft projects. Stephens is a Six-Sigma/Lean Master Black Belt consultant, developing implementation and training materials, and teaches at a number of universities, including Webster University and Southwestern College. He has an executive M.B.A. and M.S. in Management from Friends University and a B.S. in Industrial Technology from Wichita State University.

Thomas (Tom) Taylor is an FAA Consultant DER, ODA Authorized Representative/AR Advisor and Associate Technical Fellow (ATF) at The Boeing Company, with 29 years in commercial and military aircraft electrical design and certification experience. Tom was the technical focal and DER/AR during the development of the 787-8 and was responsible for the certification of the 787-9, which was the first commercial airplane fully certified to the EWIS regulations. Tom also provides engineering consultation, training, and aircraft certification services through his company, Taylor Aerospace Consultants. He has a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Washington State University.

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