

**DEVELOPMENT
AND IMPLEMENTATION
OF AN
ADVANCED QUALIFICATION PROGRAM
(AQP)**

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this document is to inform air operators of the procedures required to develop and implement an Advanced Qualification Program (AQP). It also establishes the conditions under which an AQP will be approved.

When the *Canadian Aviation Regulations* (CARs) were initially drafted, provision was made to include training approved and conducted under the auspices of AQP.

Standards for AQP are currently being developed. In the mean time, it has been decided to publish the information and requirements in this document, under the cover of a Policy Letter (PL), to allow air operators to take immediate advantage of the program.

This document is intended to serve both as a guide for air operators in the development of their AQP, and for the use of the Principal Operations Inspectors (POI) in the review and approval process of an applicant's program.

The future AQP standard will be developed based on the material contained herein.

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ACRONYMS

(Used throughout this document)

ACI:	Air Carrier Inspector
ACP:	Approved Check Pilot
AFM:	Aircraft Flight Manual
AOM:	Aircraft Operating Manual
AQP:	Advanced Qualification Program
ATA:	Air Transport Association
CARs:	<i>Canadian Aviation Regulations</i>
CASS:	<i>Commercial Aviation Services Standards</i>
CBA:	Commercial and Business Aviation
CBT:	Computer Based Training Device
COM:	Company Operations Manual
EPO:	Enabling Performance Objectives
CQ:	Continuing Qualification
CRM:	Crew Resource Management
CRP:	Cruise Relief Pilot
CS:	Cognitive Skills
EO:	Enabling Objective
ETOPS:	Extended Twin Engine Operations
FAA:	Federal Aviation Administration
FBS:	Fixed Based Simulator
FCOM:	Flight Crew Operations Manual
FCTM:	Flight Crew Training Manual
FFS:	Full Flight Simulator
FL(M):	First-Look (Manoeuvres)
FMS:	Flight Management System
FOQA:	Flight Operations Quality Assurance
FTD:	Flight Training Device
I/E:	Instructor/Evaluator
I&O:	Implementation and Operation
IOE:	Initial Operating Experience
IOETC:	Initial Operating Experience Training Captain
ILS:	Instrument Landing System
IRR:	Inter Rater Reliability
ISD:	Instructional System Development
JTA:	Job Task Analysis
KSA:	Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes
LOE:	Line Operational Evaluation
LOFT:	Line Oriented Flight Training
LOS:	Line Operational Simulations
MATS:	Master AQP Transition Schedule

MPV:	Manoeuvres Proficiency Validation (for Qualification Curriculum)
MT:	Manoeuvres Training
MTV:	Manoeuvres Training and Validation (for Continuing Qualification)
MV:	Manoeuvres Validation (means the same as MPV/MTV but is abbreviated for data entry purposes)
NAVAID:	Navigational Aid
NDB:	Non-Directional Beacon
NTSB:	National Transportation Safety Board
ODR:	Operator Difference Requirement
OE:	Online Evaluation
PADB:	Program Audit Database
PF:	Pilot Flying
PIC:	Pilot-in-Command
PM AQP:	Program Manager, AQP
PNF:	Pilot Not Flying
POI:	Principle Operations Inspector
PPC:	Pilot Proficiency Check
PPDB:	Performance/Proficiency Data Base
PS:	Psychomotor Skills
PV:	Procedures Validation
QA:	Quality Assurance
QAE:	Quality Assurance Evaluator
QAI:	Quality Assurance Instructor
QC:	Qualification Curriculum
RMCBA:	Regional Manager, Commercial and Business Aviation
RRLOE:	Rapid Reconfigurable Line Operational Evaluation
RRR:	Referent Rater Reliability
SGT:	Small Group Try-Outs
SIC:	Second - in - Command
SKV:	Systems Knowledge Validation
SME:	Subject Matter Expert
SMS:	Safety Management System
SOP:	Standard Operating Procedures
SV*:	System Validation (note: means the same as SKV but shortened for data entry purposes)
SPO:	Supporting Proficiency Objectives
SPOT:	Special Purpose Operations Training
TC:	Transport Canada
TEM:	Threat and Error Management
TPO:	Terminal Proficiency Objectives
VOR:	Very High Frequency Omni-directional Radio

DEFINITIONS

The following terms are used throughout this document and are defined as follows:

ADVANCED QUALIFICATION PROGRAM (AQP): A voluntary program and alternative method of training, evaluating and qualifying flight crewmembers, instructors and evaluators, that uses a systematic methodology for developing proficiency-based training and evaluation programs in lieu of traditional training programs.

ANONYMOUS DATA: Data that cannot be identified with a named individual. Also referred to as DE-IDENTIFIED DATA.

APPLICANT: An air operator that applies to conduct training and evaluation under an AQP.

ATTITUDE: A persisting internal mental state that influences an individual's choice of personal action toward some object, person or event.

COGNITIVE SKILLS (CS): Those intellectual skills that are prerequisite to the performance of a task, sub-task, element or sub-element. The three primary categories of cognitive skill are discrimination, concept learning and rule using.

CONDITION: One of the three primary components of a proficiency objective: performance, condition and standard. The conditions describe the range of circumstances under which student performance will be measured and evaluated. Conditions may include the natural environment (ceiling, visibility, wind, turbulence, etc.), the operational environment (unserviceable navigational aid (NAVAID), birds, conflicting air traffic, gate change, passengers not seated, etc.) and operational contingencies (abnormal situations and emergencies).

COMPUTER-BASED TRAINING: Classroom instruction that is performed individually by trainees at a computer stations.

CONTINUING QUALIFICATION (TRAINING/PROGRAM): Training that follows initial qualification on a recurrent basis.

CONTINUING QUALIFICATION CYCLE: The time period during which training and evaluation on all proficiency objectives have been accomplished by all flight crewmembers, instructors or evaluators as applicable.

COURSEWARE: All instructional material that a candidate requires to complete a curriculum, in whatever media required, including manuals, visual aids, lesson plans, flight event descriptions, computer software programs, audio-visual programs, workbooks, handouts, etc.

CREW RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (CRM): The effective use of all available resources - human resources, hardware, and information - to achieve safe and efficient flight.

CRITICALITY: A terminal proficiency or supporting objective for which the substandard task performance would adversely affect safety. The relative need for awareness, care, exactness, accuracy or correctness during task performance. Critical tasks must be accomplished more frequently in training and evaluation than non-critical tasks. All critical tasks must be accomplished during each evaluation period.

CURRENCY: A terminal proficiency or supporting objective for which individuals and/or crews can maintain proficiency by repeated performance of the item in normal line operations. For pilots, most currency items may be validated during Online Evaluations (OE), while most non-currency items must be demonstrated during training, validation and evaluation events in a simulator or Flight Training Device (FTD).

CURRICULUM: A portion of an AQP that covers one of two program areas: Qualification and Continuing Qualification. Qualification and Continuing Qualification program areas may include upgrade, transition and re-qualification curricula. The Qualification and Continuing Qualification Programs address the required training and qualification activities for each specific make, model, and series aircraft (or variant) and for a specific duty position.

CURRICULUM DESIGN: The activities involved in organizing, clustering, sequencing and otherwise structuring the elements of instruction (objectives, lessons, evaluations, etc.) into an orderly flow of learning experiences to facilitate student performance.

CURRICULUM OUTLINE: The document that organizes training objectives into curricula, segments, modules, lessons, lesson elements, etc.

CURRICULUM SEGMENT: An integral part of a curriculum, which can be separately evaluated and individually authorized, but by itself does not qualify a person for a duty position. (e.g., ground training segment, flight training segment and evaluation segment). The first level of curriculum detail (Segment, Module, Lesson, Lesson Element).

DE-IDENTIFIED DATA: Data that cannot be identified with a named individual. Also referred to as ANONYMOUS DATA.

DUTY: All the actions (tasks, sub-tasks, etc.) required by one's position or occupation.

DUTY POSITION: The operating position of a flight crewmember, or other person. Duty positions include Captain, First Officer, Cruise Relief Pilot, Second Officer, Flight Engineer, Instructor or Evaluator.

ELEMENT: A component of training analysis or design. In the case of task analysis, the element may be used as a level of analysis: phase of flight, task, sub-task, element, sub-element, etc. In the case of curriculum design, the element may be used as a level of curriculum organization: curriculum, segment, module, lesson, lesson element, etc.

ENABLING OBJECTIVE (EO): An instructional objective created at the level of an element, skill, knowledge, or attitude. Describing the functions of the hydraulic system would be an example. EOs are lower level learning objective that helps students master a higher level objective, such as a Supporting or Terminal Level Objective. The knowledge and skill prerequisites of manoeuvres and procedures are usually trained as Enabling Proficiency Objectives (EPO).

EVALUATION: Careful appraisal of an individual's performance by an evaluator to ascertain whether the standards required for a specified level of proficiency have been demonstrated.

EVALUATION OF PROFICIENCY: In AQP, this is called a Line Operational Evaluation (LOE).

EVALUATION PERIOD: A period within the Continuing Qualification Cycle during which each person must receive at least one training session and an LOE. All *Critical* Terminal Proficiency Objectives (TPO) are trained and evaluated.

EVALUATOR: A person delegated by the Minister, who has satisfactorily met approved AQP evaluator training and evaluation requirements that qualify that person to evaluate the performance of flight crewmembers, instructors, or other evaluators.

EVENT: A training or evaluation situation comprised of a task or sub-task to be performed by the crew under a specified set of conditions.

EVENT SET: A relatively independent segment of a scenario made up of several events, including an event trigger, possible distracters, and supporting events.

FILL-IN or "SEAT FILLER": A qualified crewmember who substitutes for a candidate who is unable to attend an evaluation session, thus allowing the rest of that candidate's crew to complete their evaluation with a full crew complement.

FIRST-LOOK: The performance and assessment of specific tasks, procedures or flight manoeuvres in accordance with approved program documentation, as a means of assessing performance and proficiency on designated tasks, procedures or flight manoeuvres before any briefing or training has taken place, in order to determine trends of degraded proficiency, if any, within the fleet's flight crewmember group as a whole.

FLIGHT OPERATIONS QUALITY ASSURANCE (FOQA): A program that receives and analyzes input of flight operations and noted problems in order to identify and to reduce future occurrences of those problems.

FLIGHT TRAINING: Training given in the aircraft, flight simulator, Flight Training Device (FTD), or other cockpit environment. See GROUND TRAINING.

FLIGHT TRAINING DEVICE (FTD): A full-scale replica of an airplane cockpit that may not have the motion or visual systems associated with flight simulators.

FLIGHT TRAINING EQUIPMENT: Aircraft and those FTDs or flight simulators that are used for any of the following purposes: (1) required evaluation of individual or crew proficiency; (2) training activities that determine if an individual is ready for an evaluation; (3) activities used to meet recency of experience requirements; and (4) Line Operational Simulations (LOS).

FORMATIVE EVALUATION: Process of reviewing courseware for technical accuracy, instructional soundness, and suitability for use by instructors, evaluator and students. Dry run of the total curriculum with a small group of students to test the effectiveness and efficiency of the training (e.g., small group try-out).

FREQUENCY: Number of occurrences of a task/sub-task in a specific period of duty (one flight, one trip, one month, one year, etc.). How often a task/sub-task is performed. Frequency may be used to determine currency (see CURRENCY) by comparing the frequency with which activities occur on the line, with the frequency required to maintain proficiency without additional training.

FRONT END ANALYSIS: A generic term for any process used to identify the learning needs of a student population. May include needs analysis, job analysis, task analysis, student entry behaviour analysis, performance analysis, competency analysis, etc.

GROUND TRAINING: Aviation/aircraft specific training provided in a classroom, learning centre, lecture hall or other traditional educational setting that occurs outside the cockpit environment.

INSTRUCTIONAL ANALYSIS: A process conducted during the design of instruction to identify the presentational components, or learning events, necessary for the student to master the complete range of skills, knowledge, attitudes, abilities, and CRM factors required for proficient performance.

INSTRUCTIONAL SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT: A systematic methodology for deriving and maintaining qualification standards and associated curriculum content based on a documented analysis of the job tasks, skills, and knowledge required for job proficiency.

INTER-RATER RELIABILITY: A program that is conducted periodically to “calibrate” instructors and evaluators, so that they will rate performance as closely to the same standard as possible.

JOB: A job is the summation of the functions, identified as tasks and sub-tasks, performed by an individual.

KNOWLEDGE: Specific information required enabling a student to develop the skills and attitudes to effectively recall facts, identify concepts, apply rules or principles, solve problems, and think creatively. Because knowledge is covert, students must be assigned overt activities to demonstrate their knowledge base.

LESSON: A meaningful division of learning consistent with the method of study, learning, or testing of performance (proficiency) objectives. The third level of curriculum definition (Segment, Module, Lesson, Element). Lessons usually contain objectives, training events, student materials, instructor materials, and an evaluation scheme or form.

LESSON ELEMENT OR TOPIC: A subgroup of activities within a lesson. It is the fourth level of curriculum detail (Segment, Module, Lesson and Lesson Element).

LICENSING EVENT: An event required for licensing action during a Qualification Curriculum. The Qualification Standards for all pilot programs will designate those manoeuvres, procedures and events that must be trained and evaluated as a pre-condition for pilot licensing.

LINE OPERATIONAL EVALUATION (LOE): The LOE is the primary proficiency evaluation. This evaluation addresses the individual's ability to demonstrate technical and CRM skills appropriate to fulfilling job requirements in a full mission scenario environment. The intent of an LOE is to evaluate and verify that an individual's job knowledge, technical skills and CRM skills are commensurate with AQP Qualification Standards. The LOE is conducted in a simulation device approved for its intended use in the AQP.

LINE ORIENTED FLIGHT TRAINING (LOFT): A Line Operational Simulation (LOS) flight scenario designed for training purposes to provide practice in the integration of technical and CRM skills. LOFT is conducted using a complete cockpit flight crew to the maximum extent feasible and is accomplished in a Transport Canada approved simulation device. A LOFT training session is not interrupted by the instructor, unless negative learning begins to occur.

LINE OPERATIONAL SIMULATION (LOS): LOS is a simulator or FTD training session conducted in a "line environment" setting. LOS includes LOFT, LOE and Special Purpose Operational Training (SPOT). Instruction and training is based on learning objectives, behavioural observation, assessment of performance progress and instructor debriefing or critique (feedback). LOS implies that flight crewmembers are trained to proficiency. However, in the LOE, crew performance and CRM are formally evaluated.

MANOEUVRE VALIDATION: A simulator session in which specific manoeuvres are performed and evaluated to proficiency.

MEDIA: Physical means for providing the instructional content and experience to the student. Includes entire set of instructional presentation materials; e.g., workbook, videotape, overheads, Computer Based Training Device (CBT), mock-ups, FTDs, simulators, etc.

MODULE: A group of subject matter under a specific curriculum segment. Second of four curriculum levels of detail (Segment, Module, Lesson, Element). Often corresponds to a day of training or a device event, such as FTD #3 or simulator #6.

MOTOR SKILL: Physical actions required to perform a specific task (sub-task or element). Students have acquired a motor skill not when they can simply perform a prescribed procedure, but when their movements are smooth, regular and precisely timed. Those hands-on skills that are prerequisite to the performance of a task, sub-task, element or sub-element.

OBSERVABLE BEHAVIOUR: A behaviour whose occurrence during the performance of an event is an indicator that the crew is handling the event properly. Observable behaviours are one part of the performance standards identified for each event. See PERFORMANCE STANDARD.

ONLINE EVALUATION: An evaluation conducted by a qualified evaluator during normal flight operations that assesses the candidate's proficiency with respect to the particular aircraft, crew position and type of operations, and his or her skill and ability to operate effectively as part of a crew.

PERFORMANCE/PROFICIENCY DATABASE (PPDB): A database that collects results of performance and proficiency evaluations, and which is used to analyze training programs, to spot developing trends, and to correct any problems that may be noted.

PERFORMANCE STATEMENT: One of the three components of an objective. A statement of physical and/or cognitive activities which, when executed or carried out, will complete the work required for a specific portion of a job (in the case of a proficiency objective), or the activities required of a learning goal (in the case of a learning objective). See PROFICIENCY OBJECTIVE.

PHASE OF FLIGHT: The standard high-level set of activities performed by pilots on all operational flights. For example: Pre-flight, Engine Start, Pushback, Taxi, Take-off, Climb, Cruise, Descent, Holding, Approach, Landing, Taxi and Post Flight Operations.

PROFICIENCY OBJECTIVE: A statement describing the behaviour that the candidate must be able to demonstrate on the job. Each objective must specify precisely what behaviour must be exhibited (the performance statement), the conditions under which the behaviour will be accomplished (condition statement), and the minimum standard of acceptable behaviour (standard or criterion statement). A learning objective (usually an EO) can be demonstrated in a classroom or academic type setting, while a

performance objective (usually a terminal or supporting proficiency objective (SPO)) must be demonstrated in an environment equivalent to the operational environment.

PROGRAM AUDIT DATABASE (PADB): A database that is used to analyze the elements of a training program and the supporting task analysis that must be accomplished during any training cycle. It may develop lesson plans and be used to address deficiencies found in performance and proficiency by the PPDB (performance/proficiency database).

QUALIFICATION STANDARDS: The terminal and SPOs coupled with test and evaluation strategies (where, how and by whom qualification is measured). Qualification Standards and previous experience provide the baseline of mastery for the duty position. Demonstration that an individual has met certain or all of these standards may lead to certification.

QUALITY ASSURANCE EVALUATOR (QAE): A Quality Assurance Evaluator (QAE) is an experienced AQP Evaluator, who has been designated by the air operator to perform quality assurance functions for the air operator's AQP evaluation programs. Their duties include monitoring AQP Evaluator nominees and AQP Evaluators. The air operator may utilize other terms such as "Evaluator Mentor" for individuals acting in this role.

QUALITY ASSURANCE INSTRUCTOR (QAI): A Quality Assurance Instructor (QAI) is an experienced AQP Instructor, who has been designated by the air operator to perform quality assurance functions for the air operator's AQP training programs. Their duties include monitoring AQP instructor candidates and AQP instructors. The air operator may utilize other terms such as "Instructor Mentor" for individuals acting in this role.

SEAT FILLER: See FILL-IN above

SIMULATOR: A full sized replica of a specific type of airplane cockpit, including both visual and motion systems.

SKILL: An ability to perform an activity or action. Often divided into motor/hands-on and cognitive categories.

SPECIAL PURPOSE OPERATIONAL TRAINING (SPOT): A portion of a Line Operational Simulation (LOS) training scenario consisting of flight tasks selected from any phase or phases of flight to provide practice in the integration of technical and CRM skills appropriate to the selected flight tasks. SPOT is conducted using a complete cockpit flight crew to the maximum extent feasible and is accomplished in a simulation device.

SPECIAL TRACKING: A system of monitoring the proficiency of an individual at scheduled intervals. It may be applied to individuals that have failed to demonstrate proficiency during an evaluation (LOE) or as required.

STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE: Observable, measurable parameters of performance with tolerances; e.g., course deviation degrees, + or -. Includes procedures, manoeuvres, and observable behaviours.

SUB-ELEMENT: A subcomponent of an element. See ELEMENT.

SUB-TASK: Specific separate step or activity required in the accomplishment of a task. May also refer to categories of a task (e.g., Non-precision approach –Very High Frequency Omni-directional Radio (VOR), Non-directional Beacon (NDB), Localizer (LOC) etc.).

SUMMATIVE EVALUATION: Training program evaluation accomplished in a full operational setting. Usually accomplished during the first full increment of classes with a full student complement.

SUPPORTING PROFICIENCY OBJECTIVE (SPO): A proficiency objective created at the sub-task level. For example: Perform Engine-Out Precision Approach Preparation Procedures.

TASK: A task is a unit of work within a function having an identifiable beginning and ending point, which results in a measurable product. An example of a task applicable to AQP: perform a normal take-off.

TECHNICAL SKILLS: Within an AQP, technical skills refer to those manoeuvres, procedures and other behaviours that have a high psychomotor component, while CRM skills refer to those communication, decision-making and workload management behaviours that have a high cognitive component.

TERMINAL PROFICIENCY OBJECTIVE (TPO): A proficiency objective created at the task level. For example: perform an engine-out precision approach.

TPO/SPO HIERARCHY: The hierarchy of all TPOs and SPOs organized by phase of flight in the Transport Canada Model AQP database.

TRAINING SESSION: A contiguously scheduled period of time devoted to training activities at a facility acceptable to Transport Canada for that purpose.

TRAINING TO PROFICIENCY: Training to a performance level that meets or exceeds a Qualification Standard. This concept must include enough repetition and practice to ensure that each individual can perform at the Qualification Standard level over the entire evaluation period or Continuing Qualification Cycle.

TRIGGERING CONDITIONS: The conditions whose occurrence defines the beginning of an event.

VALIDATION: A determination that required results with regards to performance objectives or the methods and procedures for development, implementation and maintenance of training systems were produced.

VARIANT: An aeroplane or a group of aeroplanes sharing similar characteristics but having pertinent differences from a base aeroplane. Pertinent differences are those that require different or additional flight crewmember knowledge, skills and/or abilities that affect flight safety.

Chapter 1 - AQP Introduction and Overview

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 Statement of Purpose

This document provides guidance for authorization of an Advanced Qualification Program (AQP). An AQP is an alternate method of training, evaluating, qualifying, and certifying, to ensure the competency of pilots, flight crewmembers, instructors, and evaluators subject to the training and evaluation requirements of Subparts 702, 703, 704 and 705 of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations* (CARs).

AQP employs a systematic methodology for developing the content of training programs for air operator. It replaces the traditional training program with a proficiency-based training and evaluation program. This proficiency-based program is derived from a detailed task analysis that includes Crew Resource Management (CRM). AQP encourages innovation in the methods and technology that are used during instruction and evaluation. It also encourages the efficient management of training systems. A leading objective of AQP is to provide effective training that will enhance professional qualifications to a level above the present standards. The goal of AQP is to achieve the highest possible standards of individual and crew performance.

This document has been developed as a Canadian equivalent to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Advisory Circular (AC) 120-54A, *Advanced Qualification Program*.

1.1.2 History

In 1975, the FAA began to deal with two issues: Hardware requirements needed for total simulation and the redesign of training programs to deal with increasingly complex human factors problems. At the request of the air transportation industry, the FAA addressed the hardware issue first. This effort culminated in 1980 in the development of the Advanced Simulation Program. Since then, the FAA has continued to pursue approaches for the redesign of training programs to increase the benefits of advanced simulation and to address the increasing complexity of cockpit human factors.

In 1987 a Joint Government-Industry Task Force on Flight Crew Performance was created. The task force met at the Air Transport Association's (ATA) headquarters to identify and discuss flight crewmember performance issues. Working groups in three major areas were formed: (1) man/machine interface; (2) flight crewmember training; and (3) operating environment. Each working group submitted a report and recommendations to the joint task force.

In June of 1988, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) issued a Safety Recommendation (A-88-71) on the subject of CRM training. The recommendation was that all part 121 carriers review initial and recurrent flight crew training programs. The purpose of this review was to ensure that the training programs include simulator or aircraft training exercises that involve cockpit resource management and active coordination of all crewmembers under training. It should also permit evaluation of crew performance and adherence to proper crew coordination procedures.

In response to the recommendations from the joint task force and from the NTSB, the FAA, on October 2, 1990, published SFAR 58 - AQP, which addressed the majority of the above recommendations. AQP was also established to permit a greater degree of regulatory flexibility in the approval of innovative pilot training programs. Based on a documented analysis of operational requirements, an air operator under AQP may propose to depart from traditional practices with respect to what, how, when, and where training and testing is conducted. This is subject to FAA approval of the specific content of each proposed program. SFAR 58 required that all departures from traditional regulatory requirements be documented and based upon an approved continuing data collection process sufficient to establish at least an equivalent level of safety. AQP provides a systematic basis for matching technology to training requirements and for approving a training program with content based on relevance to operational performance.

When the CARs were initially drafted, a provision was made to include training programs approved as AQP. A similar provision has been incorporated into the *Commercial Air Service Standards* (CASS).

The Canadian AQP regulatory framework generally conforms to the accepted concept of AQP, as outlined in FAR Part 121, Subpart Y, which supersedes SFAR 58 and AC 120-54A. These FAA AQP standards have been used as the basic model for the Canadian AQP standards. Canadian AQP standards also have particular requirements based on the Canadian operational requirement and regulatory framework.

1.1.3 Background

The capabilities and use of simulators and other computer-based training devices in training and qualification activities have changed dramatically. AQP regulatory requirements and this document allow an air operator to develop innovative training and qualification programs that incorporate the most recent advances in training methods and techniques. These training and evaluation applications are now grouped under the general term of Line Operational Simulation (LOS). These include Line Oriented Flight Training (LOFT), Special Purpose Operational Training (SPOT), and Line Operational Evaluation (LOE).

Due to the role of CRM in preventing fatal accidents, it has become evident that training curricula should develop and evaluate both technical and CRM skills. In AQP, a structured LOS design process is employed to specify and integrate the required CRM and technical skills into LOS scenarios. The design methodology used to design LOS

scenarios must be approved by the Transport Canada division responsible for operational oversight, such as National Operations – Airlines Division.

1.1.4 Benefits of AQP

Although AQP is a voluntary program, Transport Canada encourages air operators to participate. AQP provides for enhanced curriculum development and a data-driven approach to quality assurance along with the flexibility to target critical tasks during aircrew training. The AQP methodology directly supports the Transport Canada's goals for safety enhancement. The primary goal of AQP is to achieve the highest possible standard of individual and crew performance. In order to achieve this goal, AQP seeks to reduce the probability of crew-related errors by aligning training and evaluation requirements more closely with the known causes of human error. For example:

A. Crew Performance

Most accidents are caused by crew issues. Traditional training programs focus on individual training and evaluation. Under AQP, the focus on crew performance in both training and evaluation is significantly enhanced.

B. Crew Resource Management

Most accidents are caused by errors of judgement, communication and crew coordination, while traditional training programs focus primarily on flying skills and systems knowledge. Under AQP, competence in flying skills and systems knowledge are integrated with CRM skills in training and evaluation throughout the curriculum.

C. Scenario-Based Training And Evaluation

Most accidents are caused by a chain of errors that build up over the course of a flight and which, if undetected or unresolved, result in a final, fatal error. Traditional training programs, with their manoeuvre-based training and evaluation, artificially segment simulation events and prevent the realistic build-up of the error chain. Under AQP, both training and evaluation are scenario-based, simulating more closely the actual flight conditions known to cause most fatal carrier accidents.

D. Additional Benefits

Added benefits that are expected for individual air operators will vary, but may include:

- a) The ability to modify training curricula, media and intervals.
- b) Crew evaluation as well as individual assessment.

- c) Improved standardization across fleets and flight personnel.
- d) Shift from programmed hours to proficiency-based training.
- e) Access to innovative training ideas and research.
- f) Opportunity to achieve more efficient training.

1.2 AQP Overview

1.2.1 General

AQP integrates a number of training and evaluation features that are aimed at improving performance relative to traditional training programs. An AQP is a systematically developed, continuously maintained, and empirically validated proficiency-based training system. AQP allows an air operator to systematically develop, implement, evaluate and maintain a training program that will be self-correcting.

A. Phases of Development

There are five phases for developing, implementing and maintaining an AQP. A description of each phase is located in Chapter 2 of this document. Each phase must be reviewed by Transport Canada before the applicant may be authorized to proceed to the next phase. Each phase consists of specific activities, including the documentation of those activities, which must also be reviewed and authorized by Transport Canada.

B. AQP Documentation

In addition to the supporting documents and manuals which must be provided to Transport Canada in traditional training programs, there are six documents and an annual report requirement that are unique to AQP. These documents are instrumental in managing the AQP and must be maintained throughout the life of the program. These documents are categorized by their function and interrelationship into two groups: “management” and “database” documents. All of the documents, combined with the annual reports comprise the Program Audit Data Base (PADB). A brief description of the AQP documents appears below:

- a) **Management Documents:** These documents include the Application/Administration Document, Instructional Systems Development (ISD) Methodology, and Implementation and Operations (I&O) Plan. These documents are stand-alone in that a change in one will not necessitate a change in another.

- b) **Database Documents:** These documents include the Task Analysis, Qualification Standards and Curriculum Outlines. Because a change to one document often requires a change in the others, they should be maintained in an interactive database.
- c) **Annual Report:** The purpose of the report is to identify changes to the curricula, training equipment upgrades, and the AQP Maintenance Strategy resulting from feedback and analysis of the information in the Proficiency/Performance Data Base (PPDB).

Additional details of these AQP documents can be found in Appendices A and B.

1.2.2 Objectives of AQP

The following is a list of general objectives of AQP:

- a) To improve safety by continuously improving training and evaluation.
- b) To be responsive to continuing changes in industry, including new aircraft technology, changing operational environments, and new training methods and equipment.
- c) To be responsive to continuing changes and best practices relative to training and evaluation.

1.2.3 Characteristics of AQP

The following is a list of the general characteristics of AQP:

- a) Participation is voluntary.
- b) An AQP will employ innovative training and qualification concepts with the regulatory flexibility to tailor training to individual company circumstances.
- c) An AQP may build upon an existing training program or be completely new using empirical performance data to drive curriculum changes.
- d) Qualification is based on individual and team performance. Under AQP, qualification is determined using progressive evaluations of proficiency objectives. It is dependent on the structure and maintenance of all elements of the program. These include: curriculum, facilities, training equipment, instructors, evaluators, courseware and quality assurance.
- e) Individual and team proficiency, and the AQP itself, will be empirically validated by data collection and analysis.

- f) Training will be systematically developed with an audit trail for all training and data requirements.
- g) The methods used for development, implementation and maintenance of program operations will be continued throughout the life of the program.

1.2.4 Requirements of AQP

AQP is a voluntary program that requires a strong commitment from the air operator to exceed minimum training standards in the greater interest of safety. To determine an equivalent level of safety compared with a traditional training program, the entire AQP must be examined as a comprehensive whole rather than considering any one component in isolation. In order to assure that the AQP does establish an initial justification and a continuing process to show an equivalent level of safety, mandatory requirements have been established.

Under an AQP, Transport Canada monitors the process as well as the product. Instead of basing curricula on prescribed generic manoeuvres, procedures and knowledge items, AQP curricula are based on a detailed analysis of the specific job tasks, knowledge and skill requirements of each duty position for the individual airline. Compared to traditional training programs, the AQP process provides a systematic basis for establishing an audit trail between training requirements and training methodologies.

AQPs have the following requirements:

- a) All aspects of the program, as authorized by Transport Canada, must be complied with.
- b) The processes used for development, implementation and maintenance of program operations will be maintained throughout the life of the program.
- c) AQPs shall accommodate each specific make, model, and series aircraft (or variant).
- d) AQPs may build upon existing training programs or may be completely new.
- e) AQPs must provide two basic types of curricula for every duty position. These include:
 - i) **Qualification;** and
 - ii) **Continuing Qualification.**

Secondary curricula (transition, difference, upgrade, re-qualification, etc.) will be derivatives from these basic types.

- f) Duty positions covered must include all flight crewmember positions, instructors and evaluators.
- g) Air operators must provide justification, in a manner acceptable to Transport Canada, that the proficiency-based qualification of personnel under AQP meets or exceeds the requirements in Parts IV, VI and VII of the CARs as applicable.
- h) Each of the training, evaluation and qualification requirements of Parts IV, VI and VII of the CARs, which are not specifically addressed in the AQP, continue to apply to the air operator.
- i) Under AQP, the air operator must document the requirements of Parts IV, VI and VII of the CARs, which would be met or replaced by an AQP curriculum.
- j) Under AQP, the air operator must establish an initial justification and a continuing process to show how the AQP curriculum provides an equivalent level of safety for each requirement to be replaced.
- k) AQP requires the use of a LOS methodology for both training and evaluation, including LOS scripts reviewed and accepted by Transport Canada.

Note: The design methodology used to design LOS scenarios must be approved by Transport Canada. Individual LOFT, SPOT and LOE scripts require review and acceptance by Transport Canada. Alternatively, individual LOE scripts developed through an approved system of script design methodology require event set review. Once these event sets have been accepted by Transport Canada, the entire script does not require acceptance. Among the possible script design methodologies available are rapid reconfigurable LOS methodology (i.e., Rapid Reconfigurable Line Operational Evaluations (RRLOEs)).

- l) An AQP must contain provisions for the training and evaluation of instructors and evaluators.
- m) Air operators must provide Transport Canada with access to performance data. This will allow Transport Canada to validate training methods and the training program.
- n) Curricula must be based on an Instructional System Development (ISD) methodology. This methodology must include a thorough analysis of the air operator's operations, aircraft, line environment and job functions.
- o) AQPs must include a list of, and text that describes the knowledge requirements, subject materials, job skills and Qualifications Standards of each task to be trained and evaluated. These are contained in the Job Task Analysis (JTA) and Qualification Standards.

- p) AQPs must include a list of, and text that describes the supervised operating experience, evaluation/remediation strategies, provisions for special tracking, and how recency of experience will be accomplished. The details are contained in Chapter 4.
- q) All curricula will include planned hours for ground training, flight training, evaluation, and operating experience. These planned hours will be derived from a detailed task analysis that includes CRM.
- r) Training and evaluation in Qualification and Continuing Qualification Curricula.
- s) Curricula must be conducted in a crew or team environment. CRM must be trained and evaluated throughout the program.
- t) AQP must include LOS.
- u) Flight crewmember proficiency evaluation will be accomplished through Line Operational Evaluation (LOE).
- v) Training and evaluation under AQP will integrate appropriate advanced flight training equipment. FTDs and simulators will be used to support scenario-based training as appropriate.
- w) Air operators will develop data collection and analysis processes in order to obtain performance information on crewmembers, instructors and evaluators. This data will enable the air operator and Transport Canada to determine whether the form and content of training and evaluation activities are satisfactorily accomplishing the overall objectives of the curriculum.
- x) Upon request, performance data will be provided to Transport Canada electronically or in a paper report format that is acceptable to Transport Canada.
- y) Air operators will provide Transport Canada with a Master AQP Transition Schedule (MATS) that provides a plan to transition from a traditional program to an AQP. In addition, the MATS should include a plan on how the applicant would return to a traditional program should that become necessary or desirable at some later date. This is not to imply that the traditional program must be kept current once AQP is entered, but only how the applicant would update the program and the time frame needed for implementation.

1.2.5 Developmental Assistance and Support

AQP applicants may avail themselves of a wide range of support organizations, documents, and services in the development of their AQPs. The total inventory of such

support is constantly increasing, and the latest versions of all such support resources are always available by contacting the air operator's Principal Operations Inspector (POI).

1.2.6 Transport Canada Support

Support is available from the following Transport Canada units:

A. Transport Canada, Standards Branch, Certification and Operational Standards Division (AARTF)

The Certification and Operational Standards Division (AARTF) is the office responsible for the development of regulations, standards and guidance material for AQP.

B. Transport Canada, National Operations Branch, Airlines Division (AAROA) or regional Commercial & Business Aviation operational oversight divisions

The Regional Offices of C&BA and the Airline Division (AAROA) (as applicable) are responsible for ensuring regulatory requirements are met and standards are maintained. In addition, these offices will provide oversight of the entire operator's AQP process and documentation.

C. Transport Canada, Principal Operations Inspector (POI)

The POI is responsible for ensuring that regulatory requirements are met and that the AQP provides a satisfactory level of safety and pilot proficiency. The POI will recommend and coordinate the approval and provide oversight of the AQP documentation and program. The POI will recommend and coordinate the authorization of any modifications and subsequent authorizations throughout the life of the AQP. The POI will provide oversight of the instructor and evaluator program and adherence to approved documentation for all AQP curricula.

1.2.7 Evaluation Review Team (ERT)

There are five phases in AQP that are described in Chapter 2. Authorization to proceed from one phase to the next is subject to the assessment of an Evaluation Review Team (ERT). The ERT will include (but not necessarily be limited to) the following:

- a) The POI (or a designated representative)
- b) An AQP Specialist from National Operations – Airlines Division or from the Regional Office responsible for operational oversight.

Chapter 2 - AQP Development Phases

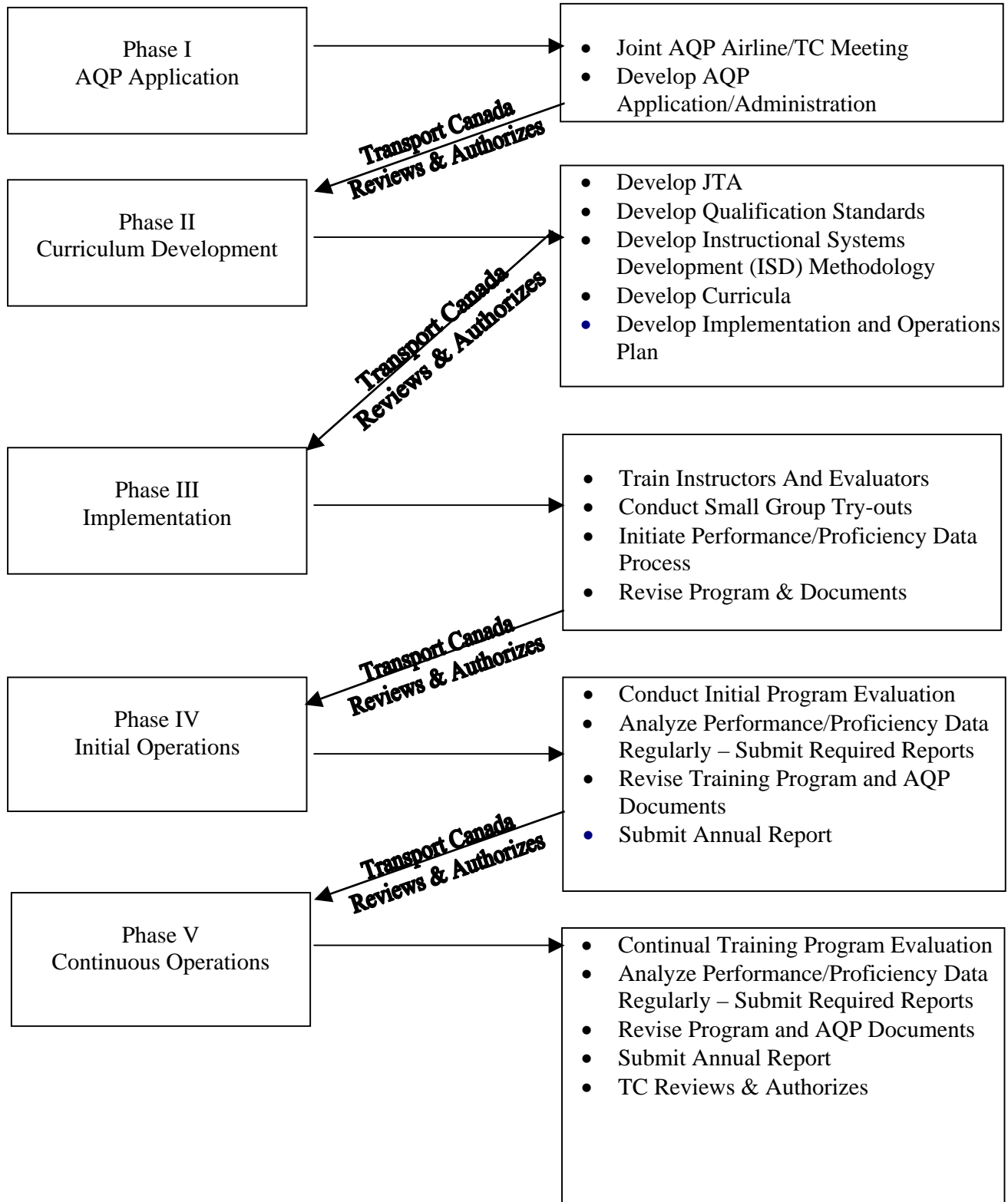
2.1 Introduction

2.1.1 Phases

The development and implementation of an AQP is a five-phase process. This process provides a structured building-block approach to program development. It results in a program with fully documented curricula, supporting rationale and development methodology. The use of this standardized AQP development process, along with its documentation requirements, allows an AQP applicant to develop a training and evaluation program based on analyzed and justifiable requirements. The documentation from this five-phase process will then serve as the regulatory basis for promulgating the AQP-developed training and evaluation programs.

Each phase is authorized sequentially and consists of specific activities and includes the documentation of those activities. These documents must be submitted to Transport Canada for approval. An applicant cannot exercise any training and evaluation provisions permitted in Phases III, IV, or V until it has met all requirements of the preceding phases to the satisfaction of Transport Canada. See figure 2-1 for the AQP Development Process.

Fig 2-1: AQP Development Process



2.1.2 Instructional System Development (ISD)

The use of a systematic curriculum development methodology known as ISD has been incorporated into the AQP process. Applicants may employ any of a wide range of current ISD models. Alternatively, they may customize their own approach to curriculum development. This chapter provides one acceptable methodology, but applicants are encouraged to be creative in tailoring their own ISD approach to their requirements, subject to Transport Canada approval. Innovation and practical application may result in an equally acceptable AQP.

Because some ISD models are far more complex than others, Transport Canada has found it useful to define its minimal ISD requirements. These are listed below:

- a) Develop a job task listing.
- b) Analyze the job task listing to determine essential skill and knowledge requirements (either directly or by reference).
- c) Determine which skill and knowledge requirements must be trained/tested.
- d) Develop Proficiency Objectives that capture all training requirements.
- e) Develop Qualification Standards that define acceptable operational performance levels.
- f) Develop tests that measure proficiency in skill and knowledge areas.
- g) Provide instructional programs that teach and test training requirements.
- h) Establish and maintain an audit trail of explicit links between task requirements, training requirements, training and evaluation activities, and evaluation results.
- i) Measure student performance against proficiency objectives and Qualification Standards for all curricula.
- j) Revise the training program based on student performance levels on an ongoing basis. This de-identified data (stored in the PPDB) will be collected and reported to Transport Canada on a regular basis.

2.1.3 Training Systems

While all applicants must meet the minimum requirements of the ISD approach, the amount of effort each applicant should put into each step of their training analysis and development depends on a number of factors. Applicants may use the ISD process to build complete training systems from the ground up, to build a proficiency-based quality control shell around an existing training system, or to make minor modifications to

existing proficiency-based curricula. Building a training system from the ground up for a new aircraft will require far more depth of analysis and development than merely modifying a current curriculum for an existing aircraft.

2.2 Phase I - Application

2.2.1 Joint Meeting

The applicant's first step in establishing an AQP is sending a letter to the Principal Operations Inspector (POI), stating their intent to develop an AQP. Transport Canada will respond to the air operator with a letter, which will request a meeting with representatives of the air operator's training department. The meeting shall include the POI, a representative from National Operations or from the Regional Office responsible for operational oversight (as applicable), a fleet typed Subject Matter Expert (SME) instructor (as applicable), and the air operator.

The focus of this meeting is to ensure that all parties understand AQP, specifically the responsibilities and the commitment needed to complete the project. Discussions will include the benefits of AQP, the development process requirements, AQP entry and exit strategies, possible problem areas, and available tools.

2.2.2 The AQP Application/Administration Document

The purpose of the Application/Administration Document is to establish the applicant's methodology and procedures for developing an AQP for some or all of its fleets, and for its instructors and evaluators. The Application/Administration Document provides the terms of reference under which the AQP will operate.

The Application/Administration Document is submitted when the air operator initially applies for AQP program authorization. It is then updated as information warrants changing (e.g., a changing transition schedule or adding new aircraft, etc.). The application is one of the six documents unique to AQP that is maintained in a current status throughout the life of the program and must have an acceptable revision control methodology.

In order to establish the applicant's intent and approach for developing an AQP, the Application/Administration Document shall thoroughly discuss the following topics:

A. Statement of Intent

The application should clearly state the air operator's intent to develop, implement, and operate an AQP. In addition, the statement of intent should include:

- a) The specific concept, approach and methodology to be used for developing the AQP. This will include the specific methods and procedures for all steps;

Note: Applicants may either cite acceptance of the methodology proposed in this document, or describe alternative approaches.

- b) The specific concept, approach and methodology for implementing the AQP;
- c) How the AQP will be operated and maintained;
- d) How CRM will be integrated and measured;
- e) How the Transportation of Dangerous Goods training will be addressed (as applicable);
- f) How Security Training will be addressed; and
- g) How LOS concepts will be integrated into both evaluation and training.

B. Applicant AQP Staff Organization

An applicant's AQP staff may be comprised of personnel resources already existing within the airline. These may include regular employees as well as contractors. Generally, the staffing and expertise of an AQP applicant's staff should support the following functions:

- a) **AQP Manager** - This individual is usually a management or supervisory level person who is the company focal point for its AQP development effort. This person is not only responsible for AQP leadership, but is the primary contact with Transport Canada and any other external organizations that may impact the applicant's AQP. Experience has shown that this position should be filled with an individual who understands Job Tasks Analysis (JTA) and the CARs/CASS training requirements the AQP is to address.
- b) **Subject Matter Expert (SME)** - These are people that are current and qualified on the applicable fleet type with varying levels of expertise that represent the population of professionals the AQP will address. The individuals may be called upon to act as liaison with operational support personnel.
- c) **Document and Curriculum Developers** - These individuals interface with the AQP Manager and the SMEs to develop the requisite AQP process, curriculum and instructor and evaluator documents.

- d) **Document Managers** - These individuals ensure AQP document control and compliance with Transport Canada approval.
- e) **Computer Specialist/Database Manager** - This individual provides oversight to the development and management of the performance/proficiency data acquisition and analysis system. In addition, this individual could be used for other functions related to the facilitation of an AQP.

C. Program Audit Database Master List (PADB)

This is a list of the six applicant-developed documents and the annual report that are unique to AQP. All documents should be listed by title and have a brief corresponding summary description. The six PADB documents are listed below:

- a) Application/Administration Document;
- b) Job Task Analysis (JTA);
- c) Qualification Standards;
- d) Instructional Systems Development (ISD) Methodology;
- e) Curriculum Outlines; and
- f) Implementation and Operations (I&O) Plan.

See Appendix B for further details.

D. Documentation Procedures

Management of an AQP depends on an organized, co-ordinated and well-maintained documentation control system. The AQP application must describe the air operator's proposed AQP documentation design PADB, including revision methodology and how AQP documentation will integrate with, or replace the applicant's current traditional training program documentation, as the case may be.

NOTE: An applicant may wish to consolidate all of the company's AQP policies and methodologies into the Application/Administration Document. This will provide a "one stop shopping" approach. This document would be considered as the applicant's AQP Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).

E. Data Submission

The AQP applicant must acknowledge their understanding and acceptance of the AQP performance data requirements.

F. Supporting Documents and Manuals

For each type, model, series or variant, the applicant must provide Transport Canada with the following documents or manuals:

- a) Company Operations Manual (COM);
- b) Aircraft Operating Manual (AOM)/Flight Crew Operations Manual (FCOM) or Aircraft Flight Manual (AFM) and/or SOPs (as applicable);
- c) Flight Crew Training Manual (FCTM);
- d) General descriptive summary of each aircraft type, model, series or variant.

G. Operating Environment Description

Applicants should describe their operating environment, including the general physical environmental factors expected to be encountered in operations. Environmental factors are critical to development of Line Operational Simulation (LOS) scenarios and meaningful proficiency objectives. Environmental factors include:

- a) Weather norms and extremes;
- b) Normal, abnormal and emergency equipment operation; and
- c) Geographic areas of operations.

H. Trainee Demographics

The application should provide a summary of demographic data on the experience level of the flight crewmember population that will be trained under AQP. This data includes the current ground and flight instructors and evaluators that are expected to continue these functions under AQP.

For each fleet, this information would identify the:

- a) Entry requirements for ground and flight instructors and evaluators;
- b) Entry requirements for new hires;

- c) Students should be identified as a group in terms of previous experience; and
- d) The current and anticipated need for replacement crew members by duty position.

I. Training Equipment Description and Location

The application should describe the training equipment, its location and the organization responsible for its security and maintenance. If the type of training equipment for the AQP is not known at the time the application is submitted, the application will be updated when the training equipment requirements are identified. Flight simulators and/or FTDs are identified (including the level of qualification) by the Transport Canada identification number assigned by the Simulator Program Manager (AAROP). Other training devices will be listed and if qualification is required, the applicant should state when it intends to submit a test guide and a request for equipment qualification. Qualification requests are processed in accordance with the TP 9658 - Aeroplane and Rotorcraft Simulator Manual.

J. Facilities Description

Each AQP submission should describe the facilities the applicant intends to use. The description should include the location, type of facility, classrooms, training aids, courseware, and other features that contribute to creating and maintaining a positive learning environment.

K. Master AQP Transition Schedule (MATS)

The MATS will depict the projected transition/development schedule for all AQP curricula. Since these schedules usually change through the course of events, this section of the application must be updated accordingly. Transition from one type training program to another (i.e., traditional to AQP) may include a period of overlap as one program is phased in and the other phased out. The following guidelines for transition are applicable:

- a) Currently qualified personnel may transition between traditional recurrent training curricula and Continuing Qualification Curricula.
- b) Personnel who have completed a traditional training program initial, transition, difference, or upgrade curricula may enter a Continuing Qualification Curriculum.
- c) Partial MATS (incomplete) are not acceptable.

- d) The MATS may provide for incremental implementation of Qualification and Continuing Qualification Curricula.
- e) The MATS must provide the time frame necessary to withdraw from AQP if it becomes necessary to revert to the traditional training program as outlined in the CARs/CASS.

2.2.3 Authorization

Transport Canada's authorization to proceed with the curriculum development phase, following its satisfactory review of the air operator's Application/Administration Document, will mark the end of Phase I and the beginning of Phase II.

2.3 Phase II - Curriculum Development

2.3.1 Overview

Phase II is the development phase of the pilot training curriculum described in the Phase I, Application/Administration Document. There are five general stages in this developmental process of this phase, with associated documents:

- a) Job Task Analysis (JTA);
- b) Qualification Standards;
- c) Instructional Systems Development (ISD) Methodology;
- d) Curriculum Outlines; and
- e) Implementation and Operations (I&O) Plan.

These steps are all inter-related. Each step builds on the previous step. The JTA supports the development of the Qualification Standards. ISD Methodology clarifies how JTA and Qualifications Standards will be used to support the development of the Curriculum Outlines. The end product is presented through the Implementation and Operations Plan which is used in Phases III and IV.

The applicant must establish, demonstrate and maintain a clear linkage between each of these steps. This linkage is provided by a systematic approach to the development of a complete instructional system. This section recommends a systematic approach and a methodology that is acceptable to Transport Canada, but innovation and practical application may result in equally acceptable variations.

NOTE: Instructors and evaluators shall be the first group to be transitioned from a traditional training program to an AQP.

A. Rationale

Under a traditional training program, Transport Canada evaluates the finished training curricula by comparing their contents, as described in each curriculum outline, to the requirements listed within the applicable CARs and the Air Carrier Inspector Manual (ACI). Under an AQP, Transport Canada evaluates a curriculum by *monitoring its development*, and by approving a series of required documents. These documents include the Job Task Analysis, the Qualification Standards and the ISD Methodology documents. This process affords Transport Canada greater insight into the rationale used by the applicant to develop each component of each curriculum.

B. Analysis Based Approach

Under an AQP, Transport Canada monitors both the process and the product. Instead of basing curricula on Transport Canada prescribed manoeuvres, procedures and knowledge items, AQP curricula are based on a detailed analysis of the requirements of each duty position at each organization. To receive Transport Canada authorization, AQP curricula must be accepted to be safer than, or at least as safe as, traditional training programs.

The analysis-based approach allows each applicant the opportunity to develop air operator specific training programs. Consequently, AQP curricula will be more sensitive to differences in aircraft, operating conditions, emergency and abnormal contingencies, student skill levels and other operational variables, than are traditional programs.

2.3.2 Job Task Analysis (JTA)

In order to understand task analysis as it applies to AQP it is necessary to build upon a few definitions:

A. Job

A job is the summation of functions performed by an individual at work.

B. Function

One of the major subdivisions of work activities performed by one individual. One or more functions constitute a job. Examples of functions applicable to AQP would be a phases of flight such as “Take-off”, “Climb”, “Cruise”, etc.

C. Task

A task is a unit of work within a function having identifiable beginning and ending points which results in a measurable product. An example of a task applicable to AQP would be to “perform a normal take-off”.

D. Sub-task

Specific separate step or activity required in the accomplishment of a task. An example of a sub-task applicable to AQP would be to “perform rotation and lift-off”.

E. Element

A further component of training analysis necessary in the accomplishment of a sub-task. An example of an element would be to “rotate the aircraft at V_R to 12 degrees pitch”.

JTA is the method or procedure used to reduce a unit of work to its base components. The JTA document consists of a detailed, sequential listing of tasks, sub-tasks, and elements (if required) with the knowledge and skills (technical and CRM) that clearly define and completely describe the job. This includes the Knowledge, Skill, and Attitudes (KSA) characteristics that clearly define and completely describe the job. A JTA provides consideration for conditions surrounding the job both in the environment and in the equipment used. It establishes standards (parameters and tolerances) that provide safe and effective job accomplishment. It also identifies characteristics such as consequence of error, relative difficulty, frequency of occurrence in specific operations, and the time needed to accomplish the task. As a document the JTA has three parts: a Job Task List, a Task Factors Analysis, and a Learning Analysis.

2.3.3 Job Task List

The task analysis process begins with the development of a job task list that includes all of the major tasks performed by those who hold a particular duty position. For example, a pilot-in-command (PIC) job task list includes all major activities involved in operating an aircraft. These would include conducting ground operations, performing take-offs, etc. An instructor job task list includes all the major activities involved in teaching students. These would include preparing training materials, managing the learning environment, operating training equipment, etc.

A. Structure

For complex jobs, it may be best to divide a job into several functions, which can be then divided into tasks. Each task is subsequently divided into sub-tasks. Finally, sub-tasks are then divided into elements. Each of these divisions is identified with a corresponding number code. **Figure 2-2** shows an example of this relationship.

For our discussion, we will consider the job of a PIC. We will divide this job into **functions** as defined by the various phases of flight. Each function (phase of flight) will be identified with a number code. For example, “2.0” will represent the second phase of flight, “Take-off”.

Each function (phase of flight) can then be divided into **job tasks**. For example, “2.0 Take-off”, can be subdivided into several tasks, each with a corresponding number code. Since all of the tasks in our example are derived from the same function, “2.0 Take-off”, they will all have number codes that begin with “2”. The first digit identifies the function and the second digit identifies the individual task. These will include: “2.1 Perform Normal Take-off”, “2.2 Perform Instrument Take-off”, “2.3 Perform Engine Failure After V1 Take-off” and “2.4 Perform Rejected Take-off”.

Each of these job tasks can then be further divided into **sub-tasks**. For example the task, “2.1 Perform Normal Take-off”, can be subdivided into numerous sub-tasks. For “2.1 Perform Normal Take-off”, the sub-tasks will include: “2.1.1 Assess Performance and Environmental Factors”, “2.1.2 Perform Take-off Roll”, “2.1.3 Perform Rotation and Lift-off”, and so on. Here, the first two digits represent the task and the third digit defines the individual sub-task.

Where necessary, these sub-tasks can be further subdivided into **elements**. For example, “2.1.3 Perform Rotation and Lift-off”, can be subdivided into “2.1.3.1 Rotate aircraft at VR to target pitch angle”, “2.1.3.2 Observe barometric/ADC altimeter increase [PF]”, “2.1.3.3 Call out positive rate [PNF]”, etc. In this case, the first three digits represent the sub-task, and the final digit defines the individual element.

B. Hierarchy

By dividing tasks into sub-tasks and elements, each Job Task Listing produces a numbered hierarchy of job requirements for each duty position. These job requirements are essentially the graduation requirements for the courses that are developed from them. Through a series of additional analyses, these job requirements are translated into the training requirements of the various AQP curricula: Qualification and Continuing Qualification.

The tasks are translated into Terminal Proficiency Objectives (TPOs) and the sub-tasks into Supporting Proficiency Objectives (SPOs). Elements are translated into Enabling Performance Objectives (EPOs). The hierarchical numbering system is retained as the basis of the audit trail that connects job requirements and performance with curriculum requirements and performance. Figure 2-2 illustrates this hierarchy and serves as an example of building a task listing.

C. Rationale

Proficiency-based training systems always begin with the development of a detailed task listing. This means that required job proficiency is the basis for designing, developing, operating and maintaining the training system. Task 1.1.1 will be taught in lesson 1.1.1, topic 1.1.1, assessed using test item 1.1.1, and those test results used to validate that the individual/crew can perform task 1.1.1. This audit trail links job performance to training performance throughout every component of the training curriculum.

Fig 2–2: Sample Pilot Job Task Listing

Function	Job Tasks (TPO)	Sub Tasks (SPO)	Elements (EO)	References Source/Page
1.0: Ground Operations				COM /2-12
2.0: Take-off				COM /3-1
	2.1: Perform Normal Take-off			COM /3-2, 3-3
		2.1.1: Assess Performance and Environmental Factors		Airport Analysis Chart/Specific City
		2.1.2: Perform Take-off Roll		COM/ 3-2, 3-3
		2.1.3 Perform Rotation and Lift-off	2.1.3.1: Call out V speeds [PNF]	COM/3-3
			2.1.3.2: Rotate aircraft at VR to target pitch angle [PF]	COM 3-3
			2.1.3.3: Observe barometric / ADC altimeter increase [PNF]	COM 3-3
			2.1.3.4: Call out positive rate [PNF]	COM 3-3
	2.2: Perform Instrument Take-off			

	2.3: Perform Engine Failure After V1 Take-off			
	2.4: Perform Rejected Take-off			
3.0: Climb				
4.0: Cruise				
5.0: Descent				
6.0: Approach				
7.0: Landing				
8.0: After Landing				
9.0: Abnormal Procedures				
10.0: Supplementary Procedures				

2.3.4 Learning Analysis

The second part of the JTA is sometimes called competency analysis, skill analysis, Knowledge Skills and Attitudes (KSA) analysis, or hierarchical analysis. Here, those tasks, sub-tasks or elements that were selected for training as part of the task factors analysis are further analyzed into their more basic knowledge and skill level (attitudes are optional). This learning analysis will determine to a finer level of detail, exactly what should be learned, and the best approaches for teaching and testing what is to be learned. While the task factors analysis adds greater specificity to the performance and training requirements of the tasks, the learning analysis defines in greater detail exactly what should be taught and tested, and how it should be taught and tested, to assure that the students acquire those job performance requirements.

2.3.5 Job Task Analysis Document

The JTA document is the second of the six documents unique to AQP that must be maintained in a current status throughout the life of the program and must have an acceptable revision control methodology. Not all of the results of the JTA need to be reported to Transport Canada in the JTA document itself. While Transport Canada requires that the results of the learning analysis to be reported in the JTA document, it may be more convenient to report the results of some of the Task Factors Analysis in the Qualification Standards document.

2.3.6 Qualification Standards

A Qualification Standard is a job task proficiency objective (TPO or SPO) linked to an evaluation strategy. Qualification Standards define the requirements of mastery for the duty position. Demonstration that an individual has met the required standards will lead to certification. As a document the Qualification Standards is the single most important part of any AQP. It provides the complete proficiency baseline for all duty positions and serves as the basis of development for the Qualification Curriculum and Continuing Qualification Curriculum. The first step in the development of Qualification Standards is the development of proficiency objectives.

2.3.7 Proficiency Objectives

A Proficiency Objective is the result of applying a performance statement, conditions(s), and proficiency standard(s) to a task or sub-task. It is a statement describing the behaviour that the candidate must be able to demonstrate to successfully perform a task. For each duty position, there are two types of Proficiency Objectives, both of which are developed from the Job Task Analysis (JTA). These are: Terminal Proficiency Objectives (TPOs), which are developed from tasks; and Supporting Proficiency Objectives (SPOs), which are developed from sub-tasks.

Each proficiency objective statement has three parts:

- a) A performance statement that specifies precisely what behaviour must be exhibited.
- b) A condition statement identifying the operational and equipment contingencies as well as the environmental conditions under which the behaviour will be accomplished.
- c) A standard or criterion statement establishing the parameters and tolerances that define satisfactory performance.

Note: All document references used in defining the performance, conditions, and standards for each proficiency objective must be listed by title and chapter in the documentation of the proficiency objectives in the Qualification Standards Document.

A. Terminal Proficiency Objectives (TPOs)

TPOs are statements of performance, conditions and standards established at the **task level**. A complete set of TPOs will fully describe a particular job in the applicant's flight operation. TPOs are classified by the air operator as either *critical* or *currency* items based on an operational assessment in the Task Analysis process. This classification will determine the frequency with which these tasks are evaluated during the Continuing Qualification Cycle. TPOs

include the range of flight training equipment and the abnormal and emergency contingencies to be considered for training and evaluation.

B. Supporting Proficiency Objectives (SPOs)

SPOs are statements of performance, conditions, and standards established at the sub-task level. SPOs are used to develop training and evaluation curriculum lessons, modules, and segments. SPOs include a list of flight training equipment and the abnormal and emergency contingencies to be considered for training and evaluation.

C. Enabling Objectives (EOs)

EOs are used to prepare individuals and crews for subsequent training in an operational cockpit environment. An applicant may identify a certain knowledge factor, cognitive skill, motor skill, or CRM factor as an Enabling Objective. These are normally not carried forward in the supporting performance objective statement and, therefore, are not normally found in the Qualification Standards Document. However, performance of a SPO would depend on a student acquiring the particular knowledge, skill, attitude or CRM factor.

Note: A learning objective (usually an EO), which doesn't have condition, can be demonstrated in a classroom or academic type setting. A performance objective (usually a terminal or supporting proficiency objective) must be demonstrated in an environment equivalent to the operational environment.

2.3.8 Task Factors Analysis:

This process rates TPOs and SPOs using the following factors: criticality, currency, need for training, applicable conditions, and applicable standards. The determination of criticality and currency determines 'when' and 'how' the objective is trained, validated or evaluated (see figure 2-3). To make this determination, the analyst answers a series of questions about each TPO and SPO to describe its performance requirements, both on the line and in the training setting.

Criticality is a determination of the relative impact of substandard task performance on overall safety. It indicates an increased need for awareness, care, exactness, accuracy, or correctness during task performance. Critical tasks are proficiency objectives that are trained, validated or evaluated more frequently during an AQP evaluation period in a simulator or FTD.

A currency task is a proficiency objective for which individuals and/or crews maintain proficiency by repeated performance of the item in normal line, duty or work operations. Most currency items are validated during online evaluations (OE) and may be sampled in the Continuing Qualification cycle.

Tasks that are determined to be critical and not current are trained, validated or evaluated each evaluation period. Tasks that are determined to be neither critical nor current are trained, validated or evaluated each Continuing Qualification Cycle.

Note: Many flight crew job task SPOs do not fit the classic definition of a sub-task, a specific separate step or activity required in the accomplishment of a task. In recognition, non critical/non current SPOs under a common TPO that differ only in knowledge requirements may be trained, validated or evaluated in a simulator/FTD, during OEs, using oral, written or electronic exams, class room briefings or distributed material. However, it is recommended that these SPOs, as appropriate, be demonstrated in a simulator/FTD on a recurring cycle authorized by Transport Canada.

Transport Canada recommends that the applicant examine each task, sub-task, and element, as appropriate, for the following factors:

Primary factors to be considered:

- a) Statement of performance;
- b) Environmental conditions affecting difficulty/success;
- c) Performance standards (parameters with tolerances);
- d) Abnormal and emergency procedure contingencies;
- e) Student entry-level performance evaluated against proficiency objective;
- f) Document references (title and section) governing or specifying the operation;
- g) Consequence of error to safety; and
- h) Relative difficulty.

Additional Factors:

- a) Equipment and system operation dependencies (if used for establishing learning sequences for curriculum development);
- b) Criterion for success upon which performance standards are based. If new performance standards are created, this criterion should be established for each task and sub-tasks (e.g., the tracking standards for VHF omni-directional radio (VOR) approaches are based on navigation requirements). The navigation requirements are the criteria for success. Success criteria are developed in those cases where current standards are missing or thought to be inadequate.

Fig 2-3: AQP Continuing Qualification Critical/Currency Chart

Training Priority	Critical (Y/N)	Currency (Y/N)	Terminal Proficiency Objective/Supporting Proficiency Objective
1	YES	NO	Train, validate and evaluate each Evaluation Period. (e.g., Engine failure after take-off, CAT I and CAT II Approaches, Wind shear, Engine-out precision approach)
2	NO	NO	Train, validate and evaluate each Continuing Qualification cycle. (e.g., pilot operation of passenger doors, unpressurized flight procedures, alternate landing gear procedures)
3	YES	YES	Sample at First-Look (FL)/Manoeuvres Validation (MV)/Line Operational Evaluation (LOE) and/or Online Evaluation (OE) for each Evaluation Period. (e.g., Perform high altitude airport operations, perform adverse weather (icing) procedures) NOTE: For AQP, the sample size has to be large enough to provide reasonable assurance that the population is remaining proficient.
4	NO	YES	Sample at First-Look/Manoeuvres Validation (MV)/Line Operational Evaluation (LOE) and/or Online Evaluation (OE) each Continuing Qualification cycle (e.g., Perform Normal Landing, Perform Cruise Operations) NOTE: For AQP, the sample size has to be large enough to provide reasonable assurance that the population is remaining proficient.

Training Priority	Critical	Current	Month	Sample
1	Yes	No	12	No
2	No	No	24	No
3	Yes	Yes	12	Yes
4	No	Yes	24	Yes

NOTE: The sample size must be large enough to provide reasonable assurance that the population is remaining proficient.

NOTE: The Qualification Standards Document for instructors/evaluators does not need to include conditions or a criticality/currency analysis.

2.3.9 Evaluation Strategy

The Qualification Standards document will identify the curriculum (Qualification and/or Continuing Qualification) in which specific proficiency objectives will be met. The applicant should consider student entry level in determining this allocation. All TPOs must be included in a Qualification Curriculum (Qualification Course) regardless of entry-level analysis. For SPOs, an entry-level analysis determines what objectives will be taught under each curriculum. All objectives should also be covered in Continuing Qualification Curriculum test and evaluation strategies.

2.3.10 Consolidation of Objectives

In the Qualification Standards document, qualification standards are developed at the task and sub-task level only and at no lower level. Tasks become TPOs and sub-tasks become SPOs by combining performance statements, conditions and standards. TPOs and SPOs having common knowledge, skill, attitude, and/or CRM factors may be consolidated to avoid duplication. The consolidated tasks are translated into TPOs, and a terminal level qualification standard is developed for each one. The consolidated sub-tasks are translated into SPO, and a supporting level qualification standard is developed for each one of those as well. An example of consolidation would be non-precision approaches. VOR and Non-Directional Beacon (NDB) approaches may be consolidated as a single proficiency objective if the performance statement and standards are the same.

2.3.11 Conditions, Contingencies, and Media

The Qualification Standards will include a listing of relevant operational and environmental factors along with equipment contingencies to be addressed in training. They will also identify the media that will be employed to test, validate, or evaluate the specific training objective. There is a difference between the Qualification Standard for a Qualification Curriculum and one for a Continuing Qualification Curriculum. The TPOs and SPOs in a Qualification Standard for a Qualification Curriculum must identify the specific set of conditions and contingencies to be employed in training and evaluating a task (usually with an asterisk). In addition, the media description will describe the specific media in which the task will receive final evaluation. In contrast, in a Continuing Qualification curriculum, the TPOs and SPOs may identify a selectable menu of conditions and contingencies to be employed in training or evaluation, and a media range that will specify the minimum media level in which the task may be trained, validated, or evaluated.

2.3.12 Qualification and Continuing Qualification Curricula

The Qualification Standards for both Qualification and Continuing Qualification Curricula can be combined into one document as long as the differences in conditions and media are addressed and the tasks are annotated for applicable curricula. However, if applicants find it more convenient to submit separate Qualification Standards documents for these curricula (e.g., because of differences in conditions, contingencies, and media between the Qualification and Continuing Qualification curricula), they may do so. In addition, some Qualification Standards may be “aircraft generic” in that they may apply

to more than one aircraft type. For ease of use and definition of “fleet common” curricula, applicants may also find it convenient to specify these Qualification Standards separately from those Qualification Standards that apply to only one aircraft fleet type.

2.3.13 Qualification Standards Document

The Qualification Standards document is the third of the six documents unique to AQP that is maintained in a current status throughout the life of the program and must have a revision control methodology. It is the central AQP document because it provides the regulatory basis for all deviations from current regulations, and identifies the basic training and evaluation requirements. The Qualification Standards document has four parts: the Prologue, a Regulatory Comparison, the Evaluation/Remediation Methodology, and the specific TPO or SPO Qualification Standard information.

A. Prologue

The Qualification Standards document requires an introductory section that explains the methodology, format, and terminology of the standards to the broad range of company and Transport Canada personnel who will need an in-depth understanding of the document to perform their job functions.

B. Regulatory Requirements Comparison

The Qualification Standards document must also include regulatory comparison information. The comparison must indicate specifically the requirements of Parts IV, VI and VII of the CARs as applicable that would be replaced by an AQP curriculum. Once approved, the Qualification Standards document becomes the regulatory foundation for the operator’s AQP.

Note: The purpose of this regulatory comparison is not to justify differences from current traditional practices, but merely to document them once they have been justified. It is the quality control processes of AQP that form the basis for establishing an equivalent level of safety.

C. Testing/Validation/Evaluation & Remediation Methodology

Before implementing an AQP curriculum, the applicant must decide how, when, where, and who will assess a student’s proficiency on each terminal and supporting objective. The guidelines in figure 2-3 may be used to translate TPOs’ and SPOs’ criticality and currency ratings into testing strategies for the Continuing Qualification Cycle. This testing strategy may include a discussion describing how similar SPOs will be addressed. For example, the TPO non-precision approach may have many SPOs, such as VOR, Non Directional Beacon (NDB), localizer (LOC), etc. Depending on the criticality/currency rating, all of these approaches do not have to be evaluated each evaluation period. This section of the document is where the applicant can describe how these approaches will be

alternated/sampled over multiple evaluation periods or Continuing Qualification Cycles.

The testing/validation/evaluation methodology also addresses the applicant's approach to documenting the different qualifications of the instructor and evaluator, in terms of who will conduct the testing, validation, LOE, and OEs. In this section, the applicant can describe the level of device appropriate for conducting the evaluation. It also identifies the point in the curriculum when the testing/validation/evaluation methodology will be applied, and identifies what constitutes a failure and/or unsatisfactory performance. In addition, the applicant must specify the strategy for remedying unsatisfactory performance.

- a) **General Strategies:** For each terminal and supporting proficiency objective, the applicant will designate the testing/validation/evaluation strategy. These strategies could include, and are not limited to:
 - i) Train to Proficiency;
 - ii) Systems/Knowledge Validation (SKV);
 - iii) Procedures Validation (PV);
 - iv) Manœuvres Validation (MV);
 - v) Line Operational Evaluation (LOE);
 - vi) Operating Experience;
 - vii) Online Evaluation (OE).
- b) **Training Media:** The applicant also will designate the level of training devices, simulators, or aircraft to be used to evaluate the proficiency objective.
- c) **Rating Scale/Scoring:** The applicant will identify the rating methodology that will be used to grade the performance of the proficiency objectives against the Qualification Standards. Typically, the measurement codes associated with performance events are ratings, repeat counts, and reason codes or skill categories.

Ratings are used to define different quality levels of performance. Rating codes usually are air operator specific and Transport Canada requires that something more sensitive to performance differences than a binary code is used (i.e. some rating method that provides more performance differentiation than pass/fail for individual items being evaluated).

Note: For Manoeuvres Validations (MV), Line Operational Evaluation (LOE) and Online Evaluation (OE) a minimum four point grading scale shall be used.

Each carrier should ensure that the grades established on the rating scale are clearly defined, meaningful to the instructor and evaluator, and easily used for performance assessment. Although consistency among fleets and across different types of evaluations - Online Evaluation (OE), Manoeuvres Validation (MV), and Line Operational Evaluation (LOE) - is important and generally desirable, rating scales may be slightly different when used for different purposes such as training vs. evaluation. Figure 2-4 provides an example of a rating scale that discriminates among performance levels.

Fig 2-4: RATING SCALE EXAMPLE - First-Look, Manoeuvres Validation, Line Operational Evaluation, or Online Evaluation

GRADE		CRITERIA
1	Unsatisfactory	Major deviations from the prescribed qualification standards occur that are not recognized or corrected in a timely manner commensurate with safety. Individual or crew performance could result in hull loss or loss of life. CRM skills are not effective.
2	Satisfactory	Deviations from the prescribed qualification standards occur and are corrected in a timely manner. Individual or crew performance is safe but would be unsatisfactory if diminished by any amount. CRM skills are not completely effective.
3	Standard	No deviations occur from the prescribed qualification standards. Individual or crew performance meets expectations. CRM skills are clearly effective.
4	Excellent	Performance remains well within the prescribed qualification standards. Individual or crew performance, management and CRM skills are exemplary.

NOTE: This example should not be taken as limiting possible intervals to a four-point scale. With appropriate scale construction and instructor and evaluator training, carriers may elect to define other scales that maximize the quality (sensitivity, reliability, validity) of the collected data.

- d) **Remediation Strategy:** This section of the Qualification Standards document should describe the methodology that will be used to re-mediate unsuccessful testing, validation, or evaluation sessions. This remediation strategy must detail when and what may be repeated and whether or not additional training is warranted. Remediation strategy must also specify when no more training will be offered to the individual and the resulting actions such as “Referred to Committee,” returned to previous position, etc. The *AQP Evaluator Manual* includes expanded discussions on validation, evaluation, and remediation in the Qualification and Continuing Qualification Curricula. This strategy may be presented in narrative text or flowchart format.

- e) **Special Tracking:** This is a program for monitoring the proficiency of an individual at scheduled intervals. It is applied to individuals who have failed to demonstrate proficiency during an evaluation event (e.g., LOE). There may be other criteria that the air operator may use to place an individual on special tracking. These could include continuing difficulty in completing the Manoeuvres Validation (MV) or a failure of an OE. This section should discuss the following:
 - i) The situation(s) that requires an individual to be placed in special tracking
 - ii) The strategy to be used.
 - iii) When special tracking is no longer required.

D. Qualification Standard Information:

The information contained in the specific qualification standard is the basis for determining proficiency and evaluation criteria. The qualification standard is constructed by applying a performance statement, conditions, and standards to a task or sub-task, thereby creating a TPO or an SPO.

Although each air operator will determine the format and content of its Qualification Standards, component fields have developed out of practice and are illustrated in **Figure 2-2**. In this example, the phase of operations is 2.0: Takeoff. The TPO is 2.1: Perform Normal Takeoff. The SPOs are 2.1.1: Assess Performance and Environmental Factors, 2.1.2: Perform Takeoff Roll and 2.1.3: Perform Rotation and Lift-off. EPOs are 2.1.3.1: Call out V Speeds, 2.1.3.2: Rotate Aircraft at VR to Target Pitch Angle, 2.1.3.3: Observe Barometric/ADC Altimeter Increase and 2.1.3.4: Call Out Positive Rate.

Variation in the format of a given air operator’s Qualification Standards is permissible if all of the categories of information in the example are addressed.

- a) A header identifies the airline and the document.
- b) Page revision control dates and revision numbers.
- c) Consecutive page numbers.
- d) Phase of Operations. Number and title from task listing.
- e) Qualification Standard Title. Either TPO(s) or SPO(s).
- f) Hierarchical Task or Sub-task. Identifier and title from task listing.
- g) Crew Duty Position(s). This identifies which crew member(s) will be evaluated performing the task.
 - i) Pilot-in-Command = PIC
 - ii) Second-in-Command = SIC
 - iii) Flight Engineer = FE
 - iv) Captain, First Officer, Second Officer
- h) Criticality/Currency Rating. From the task factors analysis of the job task listing. This may be the first place that the task factors analysis is tied to the tasks.

NOTE: The Qualification Standards document for instructors and evaluators does not need to include conditions or a criticality/currency analysis.
- i) Curriculum. This field identifies the curriculum(s) in which the task will be trained and evaluated.
- j) Evaluation Strategy. The evaluation point for a particular qualification standard (e.g., (1) train to proficiency; (2) systems validation; (3) Procedures Validation (PV); (4) Manoeuvres Validation (MV); (5) LOE; or (6) OE).
- k) Media. The specific media in which training and/or evaluation will be conducted. For qualification, the media is the lowest media used for final evaluation. For continuing qualification, the media includes the range of media used for training, validation, and evaluation.

- l) **Performance Statement.** An expanded statement of expected behaviour that, when executed, will complete the work required for a specific portion of a job. A performance statement specifies precisely what behaviour must be exhibited, and may include the knowledge and skill issues that comprise the EO supporting that performance.
- m) **Operational and Environmental Conditions.** Conditions describe the range of circumstances under which student performance will be measured and evaluated. Conditions include the operational environment (unserviceable navigational aid (NAVAID), different aircraft weight, passengers not seated, aircraft configuration, etc.) and natural environment (ceiling, visibility, wind, turbulence, etc.). The qualification standard should: (1) indicate those specific conditions to be trained and tested as part of the Qualification Curriculum; and (2) provide a more exhaustive listing of conditions over which crew members will be trained and tested during the course of successive Continuing Qualification Cycles.
- n) **Contingencies.** Contingencies include abnormal situations, MEL/CDL, and emergencies. The qualification standard should (1) indicate those specific contingencies to be trained and tested as part of the Qualification Curriculum; and (2) provide a more exhaustive listing of contingencies over which flight crewmembers will be trained and tested during the course of successive Continuing Qualification Cycles.
- o) **Manoeuvre Standards.** Observable, measurable parameters of performance with tolerances (e.g., course deviation degrees (+ or -)). Standards include manoeuvres, procedures, and CRM considerations.
- p) **References.** Identify the primary references from which performance statements and associated standards were derived. Cite documents by title and where applicable, chapter or section. Page numbers are not required.

2.3.14 Instructional Systems Development (ISD) Methodology Document

This is the fourth of the six documents unique to AQP and is maintained throughout the life of the program. It must have an acceptable revision control methodology. Applicants with established curriculum development guidelines may submit these for consideration. Others should describe a systematic approach for developing a proficiency-based training system that is organized around the teaching and testing of terminal, supporting and enabling proficiency objectives. The methodology identifies the rationale, justification, and subsequent documentation to be used in the applicant's curriculum development process. The instructional systems development methodology document describes the approach to be used by applicant airlines to develop and maintain all AQP curricula.

ISD Methodology document should be finalized before constructing curricula for each duty position. It applies to pilot, instructor, and evaluator programs. This document is divided into two sections. The first section, Curriculum Development Procedures, describes the applicant’s approach for using the JTA and Qualification Standards as baseline documents to construct their general training curricula across all AQP courses. The second section, Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Methodology, describes the approach for developing LOS scenarios.

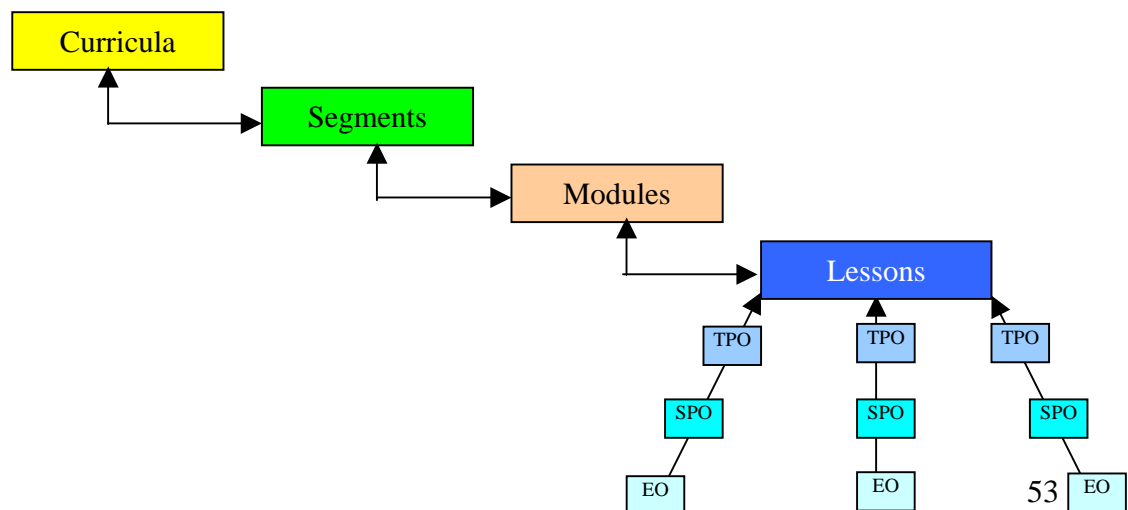
A. Curricula Development Process/Methodology

Applicants should describe the process they will use to build their curricula based on the JTA, Qualification Standards and proficiency objectives they develop for each duty position. This document should discuss how:

- a) TPOs and SPOs are allocated to curricula.
- b) Learning and evaluation activities are developed to support these objectives.
- c) Instructional media and methods are assigned to objectives.
- d) Objectives are clustered and sequenced into lessons, modules, segments, and curricula (see figure 2-5 and figure 2-6 for examples).
- e) An audit trail (hierarchical numbering or a matrix) will be maintained to link job tasks, proficiency objectives, lesson activities/content, and test items.

The resulting curricula are translated into a course footprint and are documented in each curriculum outline. These curricula are expanded in more detail in the student and instructor syllabi and in individual lessons and tests.

Fig 2-5: Curriculum Development



B. Develop Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Development Methodology

Transport Canada will approve the methodology by which LOS scenarios (i.e., SPOT, LOFT and LOE) are generated and will review and accept individual LOS scenarios. The LOS approach divides the typical LOFT scenario into a series of relatively independent segments, called event sets. A typical scenario might have for example eight event sets, relating or not to phases of flight (e.g., pre-departure, take-off, climb, cruise, descent, approach, landing, and taxi-in). Each event set consists of a series of training or evaluation events (graded events/tasks), which include both technical and CRM activities. An LOE shall contain a minimum of eight to a maximum of eleven event sets.

The above technique enables scenarios to be constructed in a building block approach, assuring that each event set is carefully scripted, sequenced and considered in relation to the other event sets in any given scenario.

The criteria used by Transport Canada when validating LOS scripts are located in Chapter 3 – AQP Authorization Process and Documentation.

Applicants with established curriculum development guidelines may submit these for consideration. Others should describe a systematic approach for developing a proficiency-based training system that is organized around the teaching and testing of TPOs, SPOs and EOs.

This document should discuss the following:

- a) Proficiency objectives are developed and organized into curricula;
- b) Learning and evaluation activities are developed to support these objectives; and
- c) An audit trail will be maintained to link objectives, lesson activities/content, and test items.

2.3.15 Curriculum Outline Document

This is the fifth of the six documents unique to AQP that must be maintained in a current status throughout the life of the program. It must have an acceptable revision control methodology. The curriculum outline provides the footprint, which is a high level description of the training and evaluation activities and planned time allotment for each day in the curriculum.

The Curriculum Outline Document contains a listing of course material divided into segments. Typical segments would be Ground School or Flight Training. These segments are then divided into modules. For example, within the Ground School segment, there could be several modules including: Aircraft Systems, SOPs, and Long Range Navigation. The Flight Training Segment would typically include FTD, Fixed Base Simulator (FBS) and Full Flight Simulator (FFS) modules. These modules are further divided into lessons. The first lesson in the FTD module might focus on Pre-Flight Operations and Normal Checklists. Finally, lessons are divided into elements or topics. The FTD module on Pre-Flight Operations and Normal Checklists would cover elements or topics such as Flight Compartment Inspection, Flows, Before Starting Engines Checklist, etc. Figure 2-6 provides an example of a curriculum outline showing portions of ground training and flight training segments which have been divided into modules, lessons and elements (topics).

Curriculum outlines are developed and submitted with the understanding that application of the course material may require some flexibility regarding the actual day on which each activity is accomplished. Each part of the curriculum outline must clearly indicate the subject matter to be taught and correspond directly to the hierarchical system of the task analysis. While the curriculum outline document need only go down to the level of the element under each lesson title, the applicant will be required to show the terminal, supporting and EOs associated with each lesson. Refer to Figure 2-5 for an illustration of this association. This is part of the necessary audit trail that links the job requirements (contained in the JTA) to the training requirements (contained in the Qualification Standards) to the training activities (contained in the Curriculum Outline).

A curriculum outline provides the basis for the curriculum footprint, which is a high level graphical overview of the curriculum content depicting the training and evaluation activities and the planned duration of each day of the curriculum (see figure 2-5). The curriculum outline document should reference the results of the student entry analysis, if one was conducted, and will include a curriculum footprint.

Fig 2-6: Sample AQP Curriculum Outline

B 737 Qualification *Curriculum* Outline

Segment: Ground Training

Module: Introduction to Aircraft

Lesson #: Aircraft Overview 9.1.4

Topic: Fuselage 9.1.4.1

Topic: Wings 9.1.4.2

Topic: Flight Controls 9.1.4.4, 9.1.4.5, 9.1.4.6

Topic: Landing Gear 9.1.4.7

Topic: Powerplant 9.1.4.3

Topic: Fuel System 9.1.4.8

Topic: Hydraulic System 9.1.4.9

Topic: Electrical System 9.1.4.10, 9.1.4.10.1, 9.1.4.10.2,
9.1.4.10.3

Lesson #: Aircraft Lighting 9.1.9

Topic: Exterior Lighting 9.1.9.1

Topic: Cockpit Lighting 9.1.9.2

Topic: Cabin Signs and Lights 9.1.9.9, 9.1.9.4, 9.1.9.6

Topic: Lighting Power Sources 9.1.9.5

Topic: Emergency Lighting 9.1.9.5, 9.1.9.5.1, 9.1.4.10.2

B 737 Qualification *Curriculum* Outline

Segment: Flight Training (FT)

Module: Flight Training Device (FTD)

Lesson: FTD #1 Pre-Flight Normal Checklists

Topic: Flight Compartment Safety Inspection 1.2.5.1

Topic: Flows 1.2.7.1

Topic: Acceptance Checklist 1.2.8.1

Topic: Before Starting Engines Checklist 1.2.11.1

Topic: Normal APU First Engine Start 1.9.1.1

Topic: Normal APU Second Engine Start 1.9.1.4

Topic: Pushback 1.9.6.1

Topic: Before Taxi Checklist 1.4.1.1

Topic: Normal Taxi 1.4.2.1

Topic: Before Take-off Checklist 1.4.9.1

Topic: Line-Up Checklist 1.4.4.1

A. Entry Level Analysis

As an option, the applicant may develop and document a student entry-level performance analysis for TPO and SPO. This analysis compares the Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes (KSAs) of the student population against the TPOs and SPOs in the JTA in order to tailor the instruction to the student. A four-point performance difference rating scale is suggested (Figure 2-7). Highly skilled instructors who are familiar with the experience and background of the student population and knowledgeable of the TPOs and SPOs should make the rating. This analysis provides guidance to determine efficient teaching strategies for the Qualification Curriculum. This analysis can also identify where training is not needed, where basic “enabling” skills must be taught, and what number of trials is expected for an applicant to reach TPO standards. More than one population group may be used in conducting the student entry analysis for a single duty position. The results of such an analysis may be used, for example, to justify alternative curriculum tracks or modules targeted at expected differences in entry-level background, and in order to achieve the most efficient use of training resources.

Fig 2-7: EXAMPLE - Performance Difference Rating Scale

Performance Discrimination Scale	Scale Description
4	Meets or exceeds the required performance.
3	Can accomplish tasks with minor errors or omissions. May take longer than expected or allowed.
2	Cannot accomplish tasks. Does not demonstrate basic background skills and knowledge.
1	Does not demonstrate basic background experience, skills or knowledge. Unfamiliar with simplest elements of a task.

B. Trainee and Instructor/Evaluator’s Curricula

The instructor and evaluator curricula must be developed in the same systematic manner as those developed for the duty positions with which they are associated. This requires the development of separate JTA, Qualification Standards, Curriculum Outlines and other documents for these instructor and evaluator positions. These instructor and evaluator curricula may share common modules or lessons. Instructors and evaluators also require separate Qualification and Continuing Qualification curricula.

C. Link Qualification Standards to Curricula

Both the Qualification and Continuing Qualification curricula for a given duty position are derived from the same set of Qualification Standards. The link between Qualification Standards and a curriculum is the Proficiency Objective (TPO or SPO). As a rule of thumb, Qualification Standards developed from TPOs focus more on the higher-level evaluation activities than Qualification Standards developed from SPOs. Qualification Standards developed from SPOs focus more on the lower level learning activities that may be validated and represent the components of those higher level standards. Therefore, a Qualification Curriculum will focus equally on Qualification Standards developed from TPOs and SPOs, while the Continuing Qualification Curriculum will focus more heavily on the Qualification Standards developed from TPOs.

2.3.16 Implementation and Operations Plan (I&O) Document

This document, like the other five unique AQP documents, must be maintained in a current status throughout the life of the program. It must have an acceptable revision control methodology and must be updated as necessary to accurately reflect the status of the AQP applicant's plan for implementing and operating each of the AQP curricula. This document is a milestone schedule detailing the transition to an AQP for flight crewmembers, instructors and evaluators and a blueprint describing provisions for maintenance, administration, data management, and continuing quality control of curricula. The Implementation and Operations Plan Document can be sectioned into two major parts.

The first part of the Implementation and Operations Plan spells out how the operator proposes to implement the AQP. Included in this proposal is the schedule for phase III, training and evaluation to include instructor and evaluator training and small group try-outs. It should also include provisions for evaluating the effectiveness of performance measurement tools, and provisions for evaluating facilities, courseware, and equipment before starting the plans for the small group try-outs.

The second part of the Implementation and Operations Plan contains an explanation of how the Operator intends to operate the AQP in phases IV and V. Included in this section are strategies for maintaining the program, crew pairing policy, First-Look administration, instructor and evaluator requirements. The operations plan should also include the data management plan, a statement of understanding addressing the collection and analysis of performance/proficiency data, a description of the PPDB, the data management collection process, and the Transport Canada data submission, analysis, and reporting requirements.

A. Implementation

This section provides the schedule for evaluating curricula in the small group try-out, as well as instructor and evaluator training, and the strategies for evaluating facilities, courseware, and equipment. It also includes the proposal for evaluating instructors, evaluators, and performance measurement tools such as the rating scale and grade sheets. The schedule for initiating phase III should correlate with the MATS as submitted in the application. This part of the I&O Plan is updated each time a new curriculum is added to the AQP and a small group try-out is planned.

NOTE: If the air operator is requesting no-jeopardy credit for the students in the small group try-out, it must be indicated in the I&O Plan and requested in writing to the POI.

B. Operations

This section of the I&O Plan describes the guidance and policies that will be used to provide for AQP maintenance, First-Look administration, crew pairing policy, instructor and evaluator requirements and data management. Once established, the operations section remains reasonably stable and does not necessarily change with the addition of a new curriculum.

- a) **AQP Maintenance Strategy for Phases IV and V.** This section describes quality control procedures (i.e., plans for acquiring and measuring data for tracking curricula, students, instructors, and evaluator performance). It also includes the strategy employed for curriculum maintenance and update. Maintenance includes the methodology for maintaining control of the AQP. It includes approval documents, maintaining curriculum currency, upgrading equipment, monitoring and responding to demographic changes, and for using training/evaluation feedback from the PPDB and other forms of surveillance to maintain and improve the AQP.
- b) **First-Look Activity Administration.** First-Look performance items are graded procedures/manoeuvres performed for the first time since the previous training cycle. The First-Look grades are analyzed to determine trends of degraded proficiency due to numerous factors, including the length of the training interval. To maintain the validity of the performance proficiency data obtained from the performance of the First-Look activities, this section must describe the strategy employed for those activities. This strategy must state that information or techniques that would unduly interfere with the First-Look performance validity will not be briefed before the first execution of these items. In addition, this strategy should discuss how First-Look manoeuvres are selected and how they will be administered.

Note: Phase V of AQP may allow for modified training and evaluation cycles. First-Look requirements are an integral part of an AQP's development process and are useful to air operators who wish to modify their training and evaluation cycles from current regulatory requirements. In such cases, the air operator must have previously implemented First-Look Manoeuvres and collected sufficient data through one full Continuing Qualification Cycle in order to establish a base line by which to measure the effect of modified intervals.

- c) **Identify Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Crew Scheduling and Pairing Strategy.** A basic requirement of AQP is to train and evaluate flight crewmembers in a crew configuration identical to line operations. Therefore, LOS should take place in a line operational environment with a complete crew. A complete crew concept allows crewmembers to use their full resources and creativity to create a complete learning experience. A complete crew consists of flight crewmembers for each seat position who are line-qualified or in qualification training for their respective seat positions.

In AQP, line crewmembers must be scheduled and paired together, as much as practical, in a standard crew configuration (e.g., line Captain with line First Officer). Transport Canada recognizes that circumstances will occur where the initial composition of the schedule cannot be maintained. Hiring requirements, illness, high First Officer to Captain ratios, or failure of a crewmember to progress, are all situations that would necessitate providing a seat substitute to complete the training. This section must address the decision rules that will apply to the selection of seat substitutes for those circumstances. In all cases, the seat substitute must be task-familiar with the duty position. Task familiar describes a flight crewmember who is familiar with and can satisfactorily accomplish the duties of a particular crew duty position, though not qualified for that duty position. For example, an SIC candidate who performs the duties of the PIC during simulator training.

The following paragraphs provide examples of substitution rules that could be applied when addressing selection of seat substitutes for LOFT, SPOT and LOE. Transport Canada strongly encourages air operators to develop such decision rules for all types of AQP training and validation/evaluation events.

Recurrent LOFT stresses scheduling of a complete crew who should be line-qualified. The use of substitutes is discouraged, and substitution should be rare. When the composition of the scheduled line-qualified crew cannot be maintained, the operator may use substitutions based on the guidelines in the table below. However, the air operator will attempt, first,

to substitute with another line-qualified flight crewmember. This table should be used only as a last resort to prevent interruption of scheduled training.

Recurrent LOFT Substitution Table

	Pilot-in-Command Position	Second-in-Command Position	Flight Engineer Position
1.	PIC ¹	SIC ¹	FE ¹
2.	SIC ²	PIC ¹	FE Instructor ³
3.	Instructor ³	Instructor ³	

¹ Includes those who are either line-qualified, or in training, and are line and task familiar with the position in which they are substituting.

² An SIC may be substituted for this position if the pilot has received a type rating in the aircraft the simulator replicates.

³ An instructor (aircraft or simulator) as provided for under part VII of the CARs. The instructor should not have previous knowledge of the scenario; however, when this is unavoidable, the instructor should not use that knowledge to influence or direct the scenario.

NOTE: The instructor conducting the LOS session will not act as a substitute crewmember.

Qualification LOFT requires a complete crew complement. It is preferable to schedule a flight crewmember who is qualifying with other flight crewmembers who are fully line-qualified. As a minimum, LOFT flight crewmembers will be task familiar with their assigned duty position. The use of substitutes is highly discouraged and substitution should be implemented rarely. When the composition of the scheduled crew cannot be maintained, the operator may substitute flight crewmembers using the table below.

Qualification LOFT Substitution Table

	Pilot-in-Command Position	Second-in-Command Position	Flight Engineer Position
1.	PIC ¹	SIC ¹	FE ¹
2.	SIC ¹	PIC ¹	FE Instructor ²
3.	Instructor ²	Instructor ²	

¹ Includes those who are either line-qualified, or in training, and are line and task familiar with the position in which they are substituting.

² An instructor (aircraft or simulator) as provided for under Part VII of the CARs. The instructor should not have previous knowledge of the scenario; however, when this is unavoidable, the instructor should not use that knowledge to influence or direct the scenario.

NOTE: The instructor conducting the LOS session will not act as a substitute crewmember.

Crew composition for SPOT may include the use of a complete or partial crew, depending upon the training objectives. The use of crew substitutes in SPOT depends upon the type of training being provided.

With respect to an LOE, a complete crew complement should be scheduled and maintained. Flight crewmember substitution is highly discouraged. If crew substitutions are necessary, the substitute flight crewmember will be either another line-qualified flight crewmember or a task familiar flight crewmember in a training status comparable to the person being evaluated. Evaluators conducting the LOE may not serve as a substitute flight crewmember. The LOE substitution table/matrix will be part of the air operator's approved AQP documentation.

- d) **Instructor and evaluator Requirements.** This part will address the specific job functions, training, validation, or evaluation that instructors and evaluators are authorized to perform. It will identify the title of each position and describe the training that each receives in order to perform the job function associated with that event.
- e) **Data Plan.** Before an applicant can proceed with data collection and analysis, it must establish the intended purpose and method for the collection, entry, reporting, and analysis of AQP training/evaluation data for each curriculum. The plan must be thorough and accurately reflect the airline's PPDB system. The AQP applicant must also acknowledge its responsibility to collect and analyze more data than required for submission to Transport Canada in order to adequately identify performance trends and requisite changes to factors that impact the performance.
 - (i) **Data Collection.** This part of the Data Plan should address the methods used to collect performance/proficiency data for all curricula. These methods will include the rationale for employing the method as well as providing the data input medium (e.g., grade sheets, computer-input screens, etc.) as examples that exemplify the data acquisition rationale. In addition, the data collection

method should explain data input quality control, security, and usability.

- (ii) **Data Base and User Interface Management.** This part of the Data Plan should explain the means and strategy the air operator intends to employ to enter, access and utilize the AQP performance/proficiency data that is collected. Included in this explanation should be:
- The type of software data management system employed (e.g., relational database, spreadsheet etc.);
 - The organization of the information in the electronic medium (e.g., database definition, database table relationships, spreadsheet description, etc.);
 - A description of the user interface to this data management system.
- (iii) **Data Analysis.** This part of the Data Plan should discuss the type of analysis that will be employed to facilitate the AQP performance information needs of the air operator and Transport Canada. This discussion of the data analysis must address how each type of AQP data will be analyzed, including training and evaluation feedback as part of determining the effectiveness of the program. This discussion should be used as a preamble to the annual AQP report.
- (iv) **Data Reporting.** This part of the Data Plan must discuss the AQP data reporting requirements that it must meet for Transport Canada inspection and audit purposes to include format and frequency. In addition, it should discuss the type of data reporting it will employ, to include report example types (e.g., tabular reports, graphs), frequency, and the air operator personnel for whom the reports are intended.

2.3.17 Authorization

Transport Canada's authorization to proceed with the implementation phase, following the approval of all documents required under Phase II, marks the end of Phase II and the beginning of Phase III.

2.4 Phase III: Implementation

2.4.1 Overview

In Phase III, the AQP applicant will acquire and test the resources required to support one or both of the Qualification or Continuing Qualification curricula. These activities include developing courseware, qualifying instructors and evaluators, Small Group Try-outs (SGT), program revisions, and data submission. Included is the initial establishment of an AQP Quality Assurance team that will provide quality assurance activities throughout the program.

A. Resources

During this phase, the applicant will secure the training facility and equip classrooms with training aids, courseware, and other features that contribute to creating and maintaining a positive learning environment.

B. Training of Instructors and Evaluators

It is important for the air operator to have all instructor and evaluator AQP documentation approved prior to implementing Phase III. This is necessary because the applicant must train, evaluate, and qualify their instructors and evaluators before beginning the SGT during this phase. Refer to Chapter 5 and the AQP Evaluator Manual for more information on the training and quality control of instructors and evaluators.

Note: It is important to note that the AQP Evaluator Course will replace the traditional ACP Course. It will require specific authorization from Transport Canada in order to ensure that it meets all of the requirements within the AQP Evaluator Manual.

C. Conduct of the Authorized Curriculum Small Group Try-outs (SGT)

This training and evaluation will consist of SGT of each lesson using actual students and instructor/evaluators. Evaluation of the SGT Formative Evaluation will normally involve no jeopardy or credit for students, since its primary purpose is to determine lesson suitability and effectiveness. The applicant may choose, however, to give student credit for part or all training and qualification achieved in the formative evaluation. The decision to give credit must be authorized by Transport Canada before conducting the curriculum evaluation and the air operator's request to do so should be documented in the Implementation and Operations Plan.

D. Revisions to Training Programs and AQP Documents

Lessons learned to the program as a result of this step will be incorporated as changes to the approved AQP documents from Phase I and Phase II. This would include any required adjustments/changes to the JTA, Qualification Standards, development methodologies (i.e., Line Operational Simulation (LOS), Curriculum Design), curriculum outlines, footprints, and scripts. In addition, the Data Plan of the Implementation and Operations Plan will be implemented for the curriculum evaluated in this phase.

E. Performance/Proficiency Data Maintenance

The applicant will maintain and analyse the performance and proficiency data as described in the applicant's Data Plan. This crewmember data may be in electronic, digitized format or other format as authorized by Transport Canada. Any changes to format or procedures must be authorized by Transport Canada. The maintenance and analysis of the performance/proficiency data will continue for the life of this curriculum (i.e., through Phase III, IV and V).

F. Periodic Program Revisions

Periodic program revisions will be made to the courseware, hardware, software, personnel, organization, and data collection and reporting system of the AQP, based on system performance and the examination of performance and proficiency data. These improvements will be implemented using the processes and the procedures described in the applicant's AQP Maintenance Strategy. This plan is part of the Implementation and Operations Plan.

2.4.2 Authorization

Transport Canada AQP authorization process for Phase III, SGT is located in Chapter 3: AQP Documentation Approval Process.

Transport Canada's authorization to proceed with the implementation of initial operations, following a satisfactory assessment of Phase III activities and outcomes, marks the end of Phase III and the beginning of Phase IV.

2.5 Phase IV: Initial Operations

2.5.1 Overview

In this phase the applicant implements the Qualification or Continuing Qualification curriculum, in accordance with the approved AQP documents. This phase of the curriculum calls for the initial operation of the AQP in a "probationary" status for a minimum of two years.

2.5.2 Phase IV Activities

During Phase IV, the applicant will implement and complete a full evaluation of the AQP. This will include collecting program audit data and individual performance/proficiency data, analysing the results and producing reports. In addition, the applicant will continue to enhance and expand their quality assurance program to maintain instructor and evaluator performance (i.e., mentorship program), curriculum and courseware concurrence, suitability, and adequacy. Collected data will be used by:

- a) The air operator for its internal quality control program to maintain curriculum and courseware concurrence, suitability, and adequacy.
- b) The air operator to analyze and validate flight crewmember performance.
- c) The air operator and Transport Canada to analyze and validate instructor and evaluator performance.
- d) The air operator and Transport Canada to support analysis for special subjects, such as CRM performance factors.
- e) Transport Canada to analyze and validate curriculum performance.
- f) Transport Canada to analyze and validate program development, implementation and maintenance procedures.

2.5.3 Revisions to Training Programs and AQP Documents

The focus of this phase is the validation of the AQP curriculum by acquiring performance/proficiency data and lessons learned in the course of conducting the curriculum for 24 months. Applicants will summarize the lessons learned and adjustments made to the curricula in an annual AQP report described in 2.7.1 as well as in Appendix C. In addition, adjustments made to the AQP will be reflected in revisions to the approved AQP documents. Performance/proficiency data must be of sufficient reliability and validity to reasonably enable conclusions concerning the effectiveness of the curriculum. Transport Canada approval of these revisions to the AQP will qualify an applicant for entry into the final phase of the AQP process: Phase V, Continuing Operations.

2.5.4 Authorization

Transport Canada's authorization to proceed with the implementation of continuing operations, following a satisfactory assessment of Phase IV activities and outcomes, marks the end of Phase IV and the entrance into Phase V.

2.6 Phase V: Continuing Operations

2.6.1 Overview

In this phase, the applicant continues operation of the AQP unless Transport Canada withdraws authorization or unless the applicant withdraws or modifies the AQP. This phase requires the maintenance of the AQP approved documentation and updated documentation of the data requirements for all curricula.

2.6.2 Data's Impact on Continuing Operations

Data will continue to be collected and analyzed by the applicant and regularly audited by Transport Canada for verification of student, instructor and evaluator proficiency. Data will also be collected and analyzed by the applicant for:

- a) Continued validation of the AQP;
- b) Identification of requirements for curriculum changes;
- c) Program maintenance.

2.6.3 Quality Assurance

For AQP to succeed, each applicant must pay particular attention to overall program quality assurance. Continued validation of performance/proficiency data of the individual and team, as achieved and maintained by all personnel, is particularly important. This quality assurance would also include the performance of all instructors and evaluators.

Continued validation of overall program completeness, accuracy, and currency, as provided by the Performance Audit Data Base (PADB), is also very important. Elements of program control should ensure that quality in proficiency is maintained throughout. The air operator's continued commitment to identify and execute required changes is essential to a successful AQP. Transport Canada will expect any AQP quality assurance program to identify needed changes in instructor and evaluator performance, curriculum, courseware and equipment, and to make these changes before unwanted trends in reduced proficiency manifest themselves. A proven and well-established quality assurance program will allow the air operator to take advantage of several benefits. These benefits include, among others, the application of data derived matrices, extended training and evaluation cycles and biennial OEs.

2.7 Document and Reporting Requirements

2.7.1 Overview

The approved AQP documentation establishes the applicant's regulatory requirements for the particular training program. This fact makes it imperative that the applicant develops a document structure that is organized and standardized. The structure must ensure that the information contained within the AQP documents will be used and translated down to the lowest level of training guidance. It must allow the applicant's entire organization to easily access and use the contents. Transport Canada has established a list of the minimum documentation required for AQP. The applicant may want to develop additional materials in support of their AQP.

A. Documentation Required by Transport Canada

Each document contains unique information that is integral to the AQP that will be used when developing subsequent curricula. A majority of the documents, once developed, will require periodic updates and therefore are subject to the revision control process.

These documents should be submitted to Transport Canada in electronic format:

- a) Application/Administration Document;
- b) Job Task Analysis (JTA);
- c) Qualification Standards;
- d) Instructional Systems Development (ISD) Methodology;
- e) Curriculum Outlines;
- f) Implementation and Operations (I&O) Plan; and
- g) Annual AQP Report.

B. Document Structures

Figure 2-8 provides an example of an AQP document structure. It is not required that an applicant follow this structure. However, the document structure that is adopted must easily identify the location of the AQP documents and more specifically, the required AQP information. If the AQP documentation is part of a subset of other manuals, a method should be developed to identify the manual and the specific AQP document that it contains.

C. Annual AQP Report

AQP requires that each AQP certificate holder prepare an annual report for TC (see Appendix C for specific requirements). This report is based on the certificate holder's analysis of the data that is collected during training and at strategic points (validation/evaluation gates) in each curriculum and maintained in the PPDB. AQP requires data collection and analysis in order to establish and maintain quality control of curricula for flight crewmembers, instructors, and evaluators. Actual adjustments made to the AQP are reflected in revisions to the approved AQP documents. The report should be submitted to TC no later than 60 days past the end of the report period. The reporting period is usually based on the authorization date for a particular curriculum in either phase IV or V. During AQP development, particularly for multiple fleet operators, with different authorization dates for multiple curricula, the reporting period may be modified (as agreed upon by TC and the certificate holder). Once the certificate holder has all its fleets and curricula into phase V, the reporting period can be fixed into a particular cycle. Copies of the report should be distributed to the POI at least 2 weeks prior to the annual AQP review meeting.

The annual AQP report should summarize the lessons learned and adjustments made to the curriculum(s) during the reporting period. The report should also include projected or proposed changes to the curriculum(s) based on the certificate holder's current analysis. As a minimum, the specific content of the annual report should consist of the following:

- An analysis of the information contained in the Performance and Proficiency Database,
- Identification of any negative trends and potential deficiencies that could result in decreased proficiency,
- A description of corrective measures taken and any resulting changes to curricula,
- Any changes to AQP maintenance strategy,
- A comparison of data between equivalent periods in preceding reporting periods,
- Any future operational changes that will affect the AQP, and
- Any additional safety data or information relating to flight crew performance and procedures which were considered by the air operator in applicable AQP training and evaluation strategies.

D. Annual AQP Review – Phases IV and V

An annual AQP review meeting between TC and the certificate holder should be held to coincide with the submission of the annual AQP report in phases IV and V. The purpose of the meeting is to formally discuss the results of the certificate holder's data analysis, program revisions, future revisions and the analysis of the data that is submitted to TC. Additional information is available from Appendix C.

Fig 2–8: Document Structures Chart

<p>Title List of Effective Pages</p> <p>Section I – All Organizational Standardized Documents: Application/Administration Document Instructional Systems Development Methodology Implementation and Operations Plan</p> <p>Section II - Qualification Training Curricula Task Analysis Qualification Standards Curriculum Outline Data Acquisition/Grading Forms</p> <p>Section III - Continuing Qualification Training Curricula Curriculum Outline Data Acquisition/Grading Forms</p>

Appendices A and B provide a more comprehensive listing of AQP documents.

Chapter 3 - AQP Documentation Approval Process

3.1 Documentation Review and Approval

3.1.1 Overview

This section establishes how Transport Canada reviews, grants or withdraws an authorization for all or part of an AQP. Specific document content is discussed in Chapter 2.

3.1.2 Review Process

Chapter 1 of this document discusses the roles and responsibility of the Transport Canada personnel involved with AQP. Transport Canada prefers to interact closely with applicants as AQP documentation is developed. Experience has shown that it is more efficient for Transport Canada to discuss plans and review rough drafts of document sections early in the development process. The submission of finished documents then becomes more of a formality, with minimal changes.

3.1.3 Approval Process

Applicants develop, implement and operate the AQP in five sequential phases. Transport Canada authorizes entry into the subsequent phase once it is satisfied that all requirements of the previous phases have been met.

A. Approval Authority

The air operator's designated POI will co-ordinate the review and approval of all AQP document revisions in each phase of an AQP. Upon written recommendation of the POI, Transport Canada will issue approval of specific documents and revisions.

B. AQP Quality Assurance Team

Developing and implementing an AQP requires a commitment of resources from both Transport Canada and the air operator. Transport Canada and the air operator must use their resources in an effective and efficient manner to fulfil this commitment. In order to provide a clear delineation of Transport Canada expectations regarding reasonable progress towards AQP implementation, Transport Canada requires that the operator establish an internal AQP Quality Assurance team from the start of the program. This team should, at least, be composed of AQP curriculum design, data, instructor and evaluator specialists and fleet specific Subject Matter Experts (SMEs).

Note: Further information can be found in Section 5.3 Quality Assurance and Standardization

The AQP Quality Assurance team will report to the AQP manager. Roles and responsibilities of this team will involve the conduct of quality assurance activities throughout the development phases of the program. The team will make recommendations to ensure that the program is in compliance with the CARs (as applicable), AQP philosophies and methodologies as well as company approved AQP policies and procedures. The role of this team is especially important during Phase III (Small Group Try-outs (SGT)) where the initial transition from the traditional training program to AQP takes place.

The AQP manager shall be responsible for ensuring that recommendations originating from the team are properly addressed and implemented as deemed appropriate. The implementation of the team's recommendations shall be made prior to Transport Canada's program validation exercises. Transport Canada shall be notified in the form of a report from the team, confirming that the program is ready for a regulatory validation.

Note: Any conflict within the team shall be resolved by the AQP manager in conjunction with the manager responsible for the operator's overall training program as applicable (i.e., Director of Training, and/or Chief Pilot, Training).

3.2 Transport Canada Approval Procedures

3.2.1 Phase I - AQP Application

Initial Application: Transport Canada's review and acceptance of the initial application marks the air operator's formal entry into the AQP. The steps for the applicant are:

- a) Submit the application to the applicable Transport Canada POI as appropriate;
- b) Address comments and recommendations from Transport Canada.

Once Transport Canada accepts the application and approves the Application / Administration document, it will issue a letter of authorization to the applicant, with permission to begin Phase II.

3.2.2 Phase II – Curriculum Development

Curriculum Development: Phase II consists of five stages with corresponding documents. Each of these stages is inter-related and must be completed in a specific order. Because of this linking, Curriculum Development follows a sequential order of document development: JTA, Qualification Standards, ISD Methodology, Curriculum Outlines, and finally the Implementation and Operations Plan. After all Phase II required

documents have been approved, Transport Canada will issue a letter of authorization to the applicant, with permission to begin Phase III.

3.2.3 Phase III - Implementation

As mentioned in 3.1.3 B. above, Transport Canada requires the establishment of a Quality Assurance (QA) team. This team will conduct quality assurance on the SGT activities in order to ensure that the program develops properly. Numerous challenges are normally encountered during this phase. These will require constant vigilance and guidance from the QA team. The team shall ensure that all regulatory requirements are met during the conduct of the SGT. This is especially important for a credited SGT.

Transport Canada's involvement at this stage is kept to a minimum in order to allow the operator to adjust and amend their program as deemed appropriate. Once Transport Canada receives a satisfactory report from the QA Team, the regulatory validation activities commence.

Note: The duration of a SGT (before a regulatory validation) should not exceed 3 runs of the curriculum. However, this may be extended at the discretion of the POI.

The following criteria are used by Transport Canada while validating Phase III events (i.e., Small Group Try-out scripts).

A. AQP Philosophy

The AQP philosophy must be applied throughout the design of the program. A Qualification Curriculum should guide the candidates through the program in a progressive and systematic way. The introduction of new material (KSAs) that focuses on manoeuvres training should have been completed at the end of the Manoeuvres Training (MT) segment. MT is then validated in the Manoeuvres Proficiency Validation (MPV).

In the LOFT segment of the training, the primary focus switches to CRM skills. During LOFTs, the candidates should not be forced to concentrate on acquiring new technical knowledge and new technical skills. To help flight crews to develop their CRM skills, direct involvement from the facilitator should be kept to a minimum.

Through careful analysis and planning, AQP creates a training program that addresses both technical topics and crew resource issues. In so doing, AQP prepares candidates for a seamless transition to line flying duties.

B. Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Methodology

The design of LOFT/LOE/SPOT must be done in accordance with the operator's approved LOS methodology.

C. Approved Matrix

All items within the approved Matrix must be covered.

D. Realism

When designing LOEs and LOFTs, the objective is to realistically simulate "line" operations. As a guideline, LOE and LOFT scripts should focus equally on technical topics and CRM issues. Introducing too many technical topics may create an imbalance. This is a common fault seen during script development.

E. Flow of Scripts

LOE and LOFT should be constructed to realistically simulate line operations. The event sets should be sequenced in a chronological, logical order. No repositioning is allowed during LOEs and LOFTs.

A logical flow in Manoeuvres Training (MTs) and Manoeuvres Validation (MV) is also encouraged as much as possible. Repositioning is encouraged during MTs and MVs. This allows repetition of exercises, reinforcement of learning and also permits more efficient use of the simulator. MT sessions should be constructed logically, using the building block approach.

F. Complexity (Level of Difficulty) and Scope of Scripts

In AQP the level of difficulty should not overwhelm and result in negative training. In addition to level of difficulty, the scope (number of exercises) of each training session should be carefully considered to prevent an overload of candidates and instructors.

The demographics of the pilots should be considered and when required, the program must be adjusted accordingly. For example, if a large group of pilots transitioned from aircraft with traditional instruments (electro-mechanical "round dials") to new technology ("glass cockpit") aircraft, a special training segment within the overall program might be required. The introduction of such a segment must be identified within the database and segregated in order to avoid contaminating the general database.

G. Duration of Scripts

Scripts should be constructed so the all events can be completed in the allotted time, assuming there are no simulator malfunctions or other mitigating circumstances.

Transport Canada uses the following guidelines when assessing the duration of scripts:

A typical 4.0 hr simulator session would include the following:

- a) **Line Operational Evaluation (LOE) / Line Oriented Flight Training (LOFT):** (including SPOT if integrated within the simulator period): These scripts must include time for at least 2 repeats (7.5 minutes each for a total of 15 minutes) and a 10 minutes break between legs. Total time for the script (excluding the time for a break and repeats) should not exceed 3hrs and 35 minutes.
- b) **Manoeuvres Procedures Validation (MPV) / Manoeuvres Training Validation (MTV):** These scripts must include time for a 10 minutes break and an allowance for at least 2 repeats (5.0 minutes each). Total time for the script (excluding the time for a break and repeats) should not exceed 3hrs and 40 minutes.

Note: If the operator has included a warm-up period prior to the validation, then the time allowed for the warm-up must also be included within the allotted time for the script.

- c) **Manoeuvres Training (MT):** These scripts must include time for a 10 minutes break and an allowance for at least 2 repeats (5.0 minutes each). Thus total events should be designed for no more than 3 hrs and 40 minutes.

H. Functionality of Scripts in Applicable Simulators

All scripts must be tested and found to be acceptable in all simulators used by the operator for a particular aircraft type.

I. Conduct of Scripts

The scripts must be conducted in accordance to the operator's authorized instructor and evaluator course. The following issues are of particular interest:

- a) Instructor and evaluator's preparedness.
- b) Adherence to scripts.
- c) Role playing by the instructor and evaluator as applicable to the type of script.
- d) Time management as appropriate.

- e) Intervention by the instructor and evaluator as appropriate and where applicable.
- f) Instructional techniques as appropriate.
- g) Handling of mitigating circumstances (i.e., what to do when simulator malfunctions or when the crew takes an “unforeseen” plan of action).
- h) Ability to operate the simulator correctly.
- i) Ability to brief and de-brief candidates in accordance with the authorized instructor and evaluator course.
- j) Knowledge of the AQP program with particular emphasis on their roles and responsibilities (i.e., ensuring that the proper level of proficiency is reached, proper grading assessment, proper conducts of repeats).
- k) Attitude towards the AQP program.

J. Program Operation

Proficiency data, maintenance plan, quality assurance, data collection, analysis and reporting systems will be evaluated for consistency and accuracy.

K. Implementation and Operations Plan Review

Once Phase III is concluded, the applicant will provide Transport Canada with an updated Implementation and Operations Plan. Subject to the recommendation of the POI, Transport Canada will be in a position to acknowledge the completion of Phase III. This constitutes authorization for using the individual curricula and will authorize the applicant to enter Phase IV. The applicant may now execute the updated Implementation and Operations Plan.

3.2.4 Phase IV- Initial Operations

In this phase the applicant will implement the AQP as defined in the updated Implementation and Operations plan through one complete cycle of the Continuing Qualification curriculum.

A. Review and Surveillance

Transport Canada activities in this phase will consist of surveillance and audit of AQP operations as well as analysis of data collection results. Joint Transport Canada and applicant reviews will be conducted periodically. These meetings will provide both parties the chance to analyze results and discuss program

concerns. A brief report of the findings and solutions will be submitted to Transport Canada by the air operator.

A final joint review will be accomplished prior to the end of Phase IV initial authorization (typically following 24 months of Phase IV activities). The review will identify any changes engendered by initial data analysis reports and demonstrate that the data collection and analysis process is still adequate and sufficient. In addition, this review should verify that the current proficiency measures for the Qualification Standards are reliable and valid and that the AQP is being maintained in accordance with the Implementation and Operations Plan.

Focus areas for these reviews are:

- a) Data Management:
 - i) Collection;
 - ii) Analysis;
 - iii) Standardization;
 - iv) Observations;
 - v) Additional training;
 - vi) First-Look;
 - vii) Program feedback.
- b) Record Keeping.
- c) Adherence to Implementation Plan.
- d) Modifications to the program.
- e) Qualification Standards reliability and validity.
- f) Maintenance of the AQP.
- g) Currency of the PADB.
- h) Instructor and Evaluator Program.
- i) Special Tracking.
- j) Transition to AQP for Non-AQP Fleets.

Once the final joint review has been completed, the applicant will update the Implementation and Operations Plan to include the changes recommended by Transport Canada. The applicant will submit a copy of the updated Implementation and Operations Plan to the POI.

B. Quality Assurance Program

Transport Canada will validate the operator's QA program to determine if all appropriate processes are being satisfactorily implemented. A proven and established QA Program (including mentorship program for instructor and evaluators) is essential for advancement into Phase V.

3.2.5 Phase V - Continuous Operations

In this phase, oversight of the AQP is maintained through ongoing Transport Canada surveillance and audit programs. The air operator will report on the maintenance of the AQP through documentation changes and program revisions. In addition, the air operator will continue to provide a copy of its Annual AQP Report to Transport Canada and hold an annual AQP review meeting with TC.

The operator will have a proven and fully established Quality Assurance (QA) Program. Subject to the authorization of Transport Canada, innovative approaches and deviations from the "traditional" requirements of the CARs may be considered at this stage of the program. All changes of this nature must be supported by data analysis. Among the possibilities which could potentially be considered are changes to the Online Evaluation (OE) training and evaluation cycles and the introduction of data derived methodologies.

3.3 Withdrawal Of Authorization

Transport Canada may withdraw interim, conditional or final authorization any time the AQP is not in regulatory compliance, does not provide for safe operations, does not effectively prepare personnel to meet qualification objectives, or when the required data is not being provided or maintained. Before withdrawing authorization, Transport Canada will make every reasonable effort to work with an applicant to correct its program deficiencies.

Chapter 4 - Curricula and Certification

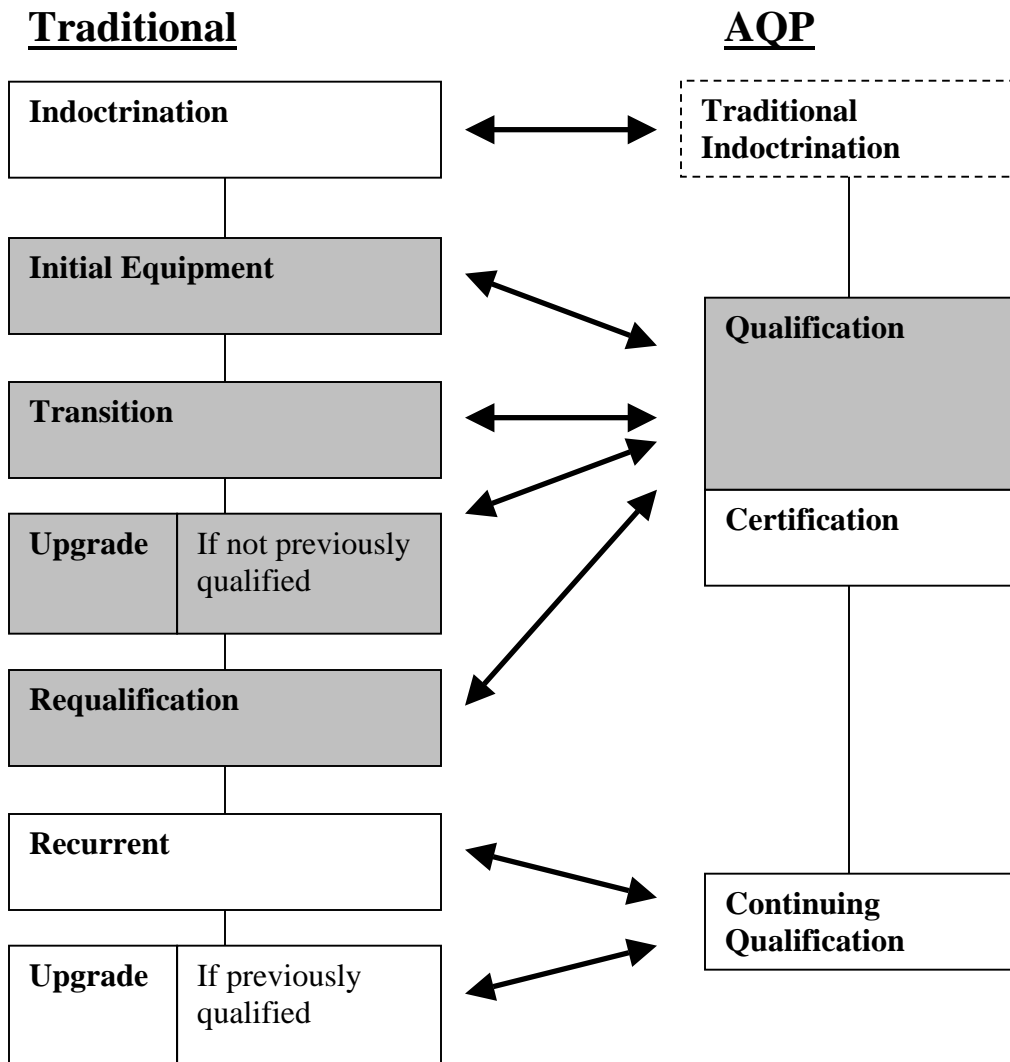
4.1 Curricula

4.1.1 Background

The AQP requires two primary curricula for each type, model, and series of aircraft (or variant), and each duty position. These curricula are Qualification and Continuing Qualification. Figure 4–1 illustrates how traditional curricula correlate to the AQP primary curricula. In addition to primary curricula, operational necessities may require secondary curricula to fulfil particular needs. Secondary curricula are Transition, Upgrade, and Requalification.

Transport Canada continues to recognize, in its regulations, a need for indoctrination training for flight crewmembers new to the air operator. AQP however is first and foremost a vehicle to train and qualify flight crewmembers on a specific type of aircraft and in a particular duty position. Indoctrination-type knowledge and information must still be imparted to new flight crews, but are not required to be developed and delivered using an AQP methodology. Indoctrination topics of interest continue to rest with company policies, practices and general operational knowledge, and contain elements that pertain to the air operator's methods of compliance with regulations and safe operating practices.

Fig 4-1: AQP Curricula



4.2 Qualification Curriculum

AQP requires a Qualification Curriculum for each duty position in each type, model, and series aircraft (or variant). To this end, the air operator shall develop Operator Difference Requirement (ODR) Tables for each applicable aircraft in its fleet. Each Qualification Curriculum will include training, validation, evaluation and pilot licensing action, as applicable. The training activities include ground and flight training, operational experience, and may include special qualification.

If the training is to result in licensing action for issuance of an Instrument and/or Type Rating, curriculum segments must explicitly identify the training and evaluation strategy to be used in place of the prescribed practical test requirements outlined in Part IV and VII of the CARs. The applicant must demonstrate, to the satisfaction of Transport Canada, that the proposed AQP training and evaluation strategy will ensure individual competency that equals or exceeds CARs requirements. The applicant must also demonstrate that each person qualified through an AQP has demonstrated satisfactory proficiency in the integration of technical and CRM skills.

4.2.1 Ground Qualification Training Activities

To be qualified for a particular duty position, a person will receive job-specific ground training. This training typically includes general operational subjects, technical systems, system and procedures integration as well as emergency-type training. Ground Qualification is confirmed by a Systems Knowledge Validation (SKV). This may take the form of a traditional written examination. It may also incorporate other means of systems knowledge validation (e.g., computer-based), as authorized by Transport Canada.

4.2.2 Simulation/Flight Qualification Training Activities

Each AQP includes curriculum segments for training, validation, or evaluations as appropriate in FTD and simulators. The use of FTDs or higher-level training devices in training is encouraged. Manoeuvres Validation, LOFT and the LOE must be accomplished in a full flight simulator that has been approved for this purpose. However, upon satisfactory small group try-out demonstrations, LOFT may be conducted in an FTD with authorization from Transport Canada. Training and evaluation in an aircraft is discouraged, but may be authorized by Transport Canada on a case-by-case basis.

4.2.3 Initial Operating Experience (IOE)

IOE replaces traditional Line Indoctrination. IOE curriculum segments are integral to the Qualification Curriculum. IOE provides hands-on training and actual experience in performing the duties of a newly assigned flight crew. An Initial Operating Experience Training Captain (IOETC) conducts IOE during actual line flying operations. Validation is accomplished when the individual is trained to proficiency and recommended for an Online Evaluation (OE).

4.2.4 Special Qualification Training

Curriculum segments may include special purpose training. These are portions of ground or flight training that has a specific application to flight crewmembers who are in international operations or for the introduction of new flight operations. Examples include: international operations, Extended Twin Engine Operations (ETOPS) and special airport operations. Special qualification training may initially be a separate curriculum segment that is later integrated into ground or flight training segments.

4.2.5 Special Purpose Operations Training (SPOT)

This is a portion of a Line Operational Simulation (LOS) training scenario consisting of flight tasks selected from any phase or phases of flight to provide practice in the integration of technical and CRM skills appropriate to the selected flight tasks. SPOT is conducted using a complete cockpit flight crew to the maximum extent feasible and is accomplished in a full flight simulator. However, in some cases, SPOT may be conducted in an FTD with authorization from Transport Canada.

4.2.6 Validation/Evaluation/Remediation

In AQP, a “**validation**” is a determination that the training produces the required results as identified in the Qualification Standards and that the individual has met the performance objectives of the training module. An “**evaluation**” is an appraisal of an individual to ascertain whether the standards required for a specified level of proficiency has been successfully demonstrated. Interrupting the evaluation session for training is not permitted. Both the validation and evaluation are assessments that the proficiency objectives of the training module have been met and the individual can proceed to the next level of training or line operations. Figure 4-2 contains a table that summarizes the relationship between the various training activities and their associated validation/evaluation gates. Figure 4-3 provides a more detailed look at the validation/evaluation gates and the associated remediation.

Note: These validations and evaluations, including the associated remediation strategies, are fully described in the AQP Evaluator Manual.

Fig 4-2: AQP Training, Validation, & Evaluation

Activity	Device	Purpose	Can it be Interrupted?	Training/ Validation or Evaluation	Sequencing of Events
Ground Training	Classroom or Computer Based Instruction, and Training Devices	Systems Training	Yes	Training & Validation	Syllabus
Manoeuvres and Procedures Training	FTD & Simulator	Aircraft Manoeuvres and Operational Procedures	Yes	Training & Validation	Isolated Manoeuvres and Procedures. Logical, Specific Sequencing of Events
Special Purpose Operational Training (SPOT)	FTD & Simulator	Focuses on CRM Skills, Differences Tng., Wind shear Tng., Special Qualification	Yes	Training	Isolated Manoeuvres and Procedures. Logical, Specific Sequencing of Events
Line Oriented Flight Training (LOFT)	FTD & Simulator	Crew Oriented Training (CRM) in Preparation for LOE	No Except To Begin Different Scenarios	Training	Logical Sequencing of Events Within Varying Length Scenarios
Line Operational Evaluation (LOE)	FTD & Simulator	Evaluate the training and qualifications of the crewmembers	May be Segmented to Condense Distances as in International Scenarios	Evaluation	Specific Flight Scenario from Take-off to Landing
Operating Experience	Aircraft	Consolidation of knowledge & skills in a operational environment	Yes	Experience	Routine Flight Operations
Qualification Online Evaluation (OE)	Aircraft	To verify a crewmember's ability to satisfactorily perform duties & responsibilities	No	Evaluation	Routine Flight Operations
Continuing Qualification Online Evaluation (OE)	Aircraft	To evaluate crew proficiency and their knowledge, skills, and ability to operate effectively as part of a crew.	No	Evaluation	Routine Flight Operations

Fig 4-3: AQP Validation/Evaluation Table

Gate	Qualification Curriculum	Continuing Qualification Curriculum	Evaluation Media
System Knowledge Validation (SKV)	80% or Greater corrected to 100%, < 80% retest	80% or Greater corrected to 100%, < 80% retest	Written, Oral, or Electronic Testing System (ETS)
Procedures Validation (PV)	Train to Proficiency		As Authorized
Manœuvres Validation (MV)	2 Repeats of One Manœuvre, or 1 Repeat Of Any 2 Manœuvres*	Repeats Allowed Within Training Period	Approved Simulation Device
Line Operational Evaluation (LOE)	Grading By Event Set 8 or more Event Sets Repeat - 2 Event Sets**	Grading By Event Set 8 or more Event Sets Repeat - 2 Event Sets **	Approved Simulation Device
Online Evaluation (OE)	Any Unsatisfactory Task must be Repeated. If Required, Remedial Training, Additional Initial Operating Experience, and Another Operational Evaluation as Recommended by the evaluator	Any Unsatisfactory Task must be Repeated. If Required, Remedial Training, Additional Initial Operating Experience, and Another Operational Evaluation as Recommended by the evaluator	Aircraft (Actual Line Operations)

* For any repeat in a Qualification Manœuvres Validation (MV), Qualification LOE or Continuing Qualification LOE, no training, practice, or coaching is permitted.

** Failure to meet the required level of proficiency during an LOE or OE will result in retraining, re-evaluation, and will require special tracking.

** Regardless of number of events sets, unsafe individual or crew performance that would result in significant damage, hull loss or loss of life (e.g., crash) during an LOE constitutes a failure of the LOE.

A. Systems Knowledge Validation (SKV)

This is an assessment of an individual's technical systems knowledge. The intent of the Systems Knowledge Validation session is to ensure an individual's systems knowledge is at an appropriate level before progressing into the next training phase. Systems Knowledge Validation may be accomplished by a written, electronic or oral exam. An overall score of 80 percent or better, corrected to 100 percent, would be an acceptable validation. An overall score of less than 80 percent will require retraining and another complete test. A failure of an individual test module or sub-section, with an 80 percent or better overall score, only requires retraining and retesting of the specific module. Consideration should be given to establishing a maximum number of modules or sub-sections that if failed constitute an overall failure of the validation.

B. Procedures Validation (PV)

This is an assessment of an individual's systems integration knowledge and skill. This validation addresses the individual's ability to assimilate system and procedural knowledge into the appropriate execution of procedures. This validation session should take place in an FTD or a simulator. The intent of the PV session is to ensure an individual's systems and procedural knowledge and skills are at an appropriate level before progressing into the flight simulator training phase. There is no established requirement that the systems and PV be accomplished sequentially. It is the prerogative of each air operator to develop an evaluation system that works for them. For example, the systems validation could take place in two parts. The first part may be a written exam administered at the conclusion of ground school. The second stage could be an oral examination conducted at the conclusion of procedures training, before the Manoeuvres Validation (MV) or before the LOE. Validation is accomplished when it is verified that the individual is trained to proficiency.

C. Manoeuvres Validation (MV)

This validation addresses the individual's proficiency in the execution of manoeuvres. It must take place in a full flight simulator. In order to differentiate between the Manoeuvres Validation (MV) conducted in a Qualification Curriculum and a Continuing Qualification Curriculum, the following terms have been established:

- a) Manoeuvres Proficiency Validation (MPV) for the Qualification Curriculum
- b) Manoeuvres Training and Validation (MTV) for the Continuing Qualification Curriculum.

The essential difference between the MPV for Qualification Curricula and the MTV for Continuing Qualification Curricula is the manner in which repeats of unsuccessful exercises are addressed.

For a MPV (Qualification Curriculum), flight crewmembers are expected to have reached a satisfactory level of proficiency in the manoeuvres prior to the validation event. An MPV should not allow more than two repeats of any one manoeuvre or one repeat of any two manoeuvres. A debriefing of why the manoeuvre(s) was unsatisfactory is allowed, but the repeats must occur with no training, practice, or coaching. If the flight crewmember fails to demonstrate proficiency in the time constraints of the simulator session, an additional training session is required. After additional training, the individual need only repeat the manoeuvres that were unsatisfactory.

D. Line Operational Evaluation (LOE)

This evaluation addresses the individual's ability to demonstrate technical and CRM skills appropriate to fulfilling job requirements in a full mission scenario environment. The intent of a LOE is to evaluate and verify that an individual's job knowledge, technical skills, and CRM skills are commensurate with AQP Qualification Standards and that the individual is qualified to begin the Initial Operating Experience portion of the Qualification Curriculum. LOE is considered a jeopardy event and a failure is reported to Transport Canada.

LOEs are graded at the event set level. A LOE consists of a minimum of 8 events sets. During the LOE, two events sets can be repeated. No single event set can be repeated more than once. A debriefing of why the event set(s) is unsatisfactory is allowed, but the repeat must occur with no training, practice, or coaching. If any repeated event is unsatisfactory, remedial training and another complete LOE evaluation is required.

NOTE: Regardless of number of events sets, unsafe individual or crew performance that would result in significant damage, hull loss or loss of life (e.g., crash) during an LOE constitutes a failure of the LOE.

E. Online Evaluation (OE)

OE replaces the traditional Line Check. Flight crewmembers receiving this evaluation are assessed for their proficiency in the duty position. Successful completion of the OE verifies that the individual is adequately trained and is capable of performing their duties and responsibilities. If any task is unsatisfactory, the individual must receive remedial training on that task, additional operating experience if necessary, and possibly another OE. If a pilot receives an unsatisfactory overall performance rating on an OE, the pilot cannot progress to line operations until the accepted means of remediation (additional training as required) has been successfully completed.

4.2.7 Planned Hours

All curricula will include planned hours for ground training, flight training, evaluation, and operating experience. Planned hours represent the estimated amount of time, as specified in a curriculum outline, that it takes an average candidate to complete a segment of instruction. This will include all instruction, demonstration, practice and evaluation, as appropriate, to reach proficiency. Planned hours enable Transport Canada and the air operator to schedule their personnel resources more efficiently and provide a baseline for curriculum adjustments. Planned hours are not used by Transport Canada as a basis for program authorization, review, or compliance assessment. Planned hours can be shown on the course footprint that is part of the curriculum outline. Figure 4-4 provides an example of a course footprint with planned hours.

Figure 4-4: Example of AQP Qualification Curriculum Footprint, Transport Category Airplane operated under Subpart 705 of the CARs

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day Off	Day Off
Welcome :30 Intro :30 CBT 5:00 TT 6:00	CBT 5:00 Review 1.00 TT 6:00	CBT 5:00 Review 1.00 TT 6:00	CBT 5:00 Performance 1.00 TT 6:00	Evacuation 3:00 Ditching 3:00 TT 6:00		
Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10	Day Off	Day Off
CBT 5:00 Setup Lect. 1.00 TT 6:00	CBT 3:00 FTD Brief 1.00 FTD # 1 2.00 TT 6:00	CBT 5:00 Review 1.00 TT 6:00	CBT 3:00 FTD Brief 1.00 FTD # 2 2.00 TT 6:00	SYSTEM VAL Testing 1:00 Flt Ops Brf. 4:00 Debrief :30 TT 6:30		
Day 11	Day 12	Day 13	Day 14	Day 15	Day Off	Day Off
Sys Rev 1:00 FTD Brief 1.00 FTD # 4 4.00 TT 6:00	FTD Brief 1:30 FTD # 5 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	FTD Brief 1:30 FTD # 6 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	FTD Brief 1:30 FTD # 7 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	Proc Val FTD Brief 1:30 FTD # 8 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30		
Day 16	Day 17	Day 18	Day 19	Day 20	Day Off	Day Off
Sim Brief 1:30 Sim # 1 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	Sim Brief 1:30 Sim # 2 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	Sim Brief 1:30 Sim # 3 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	Sim Brief 1:30 Sim # 4 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	MAN VAL Sim Brief 1:30 Sim # 5 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30		
Day 21	Day 22	Day 23	Day 24	Day 25	Day Off	Day Off
LOFT Brief 1:30 LOFT # 1/SPOT 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	LOFT Brief 1:30 LOFT # 2/ SPOT 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	LOFT Brief 1:30 LOFT # 3/ SPOT 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	LOFT Brief 1:30 LOFT # 4/ SPOT 4.00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30	LOE Brief 1:30 LOE 4:00 Debrief 1:00 TT 6:30		
Day 26	Day 27	Day 28	Day 29	Day 30		
IOE	IOE	IOE	IOE	IOE		
Day 31 IOE	Day 32 OE	SYST VAL - Systems Validation PROC VAL - PV MAN VAL - Manoeuvres Validation LOE - LOE SPOT - Special Purpose Operations Training			CBT – Computer-based training FTD - FTD Sim - FFS LOFT - LOFT IOE - Initial operations experience OE –Online Evaluation	

4.3 Continuing Qualification Curriculum

A Continuing Qualification curriculum provides the means for fully qualified individuals to maintain their proficiency in their duty positions and aircraft assignments. Continuing Qualification applies to all persons subject to an AQP, including instructors and evaluators. AQP requires a Continuing Qualification curriculum for each duty position in each type, model, and series aircraft (or variant). Similar to the Qualification Curriculum, each Continuing Qualification Curriculum will include training, validation, and evaluation.

4.3.1 First-Look Manoeuvres

Analysis of AQP data may allow for modified or extended training and evaluation cycles once the program moves into Phase V. In order to substantiate modifications to training and evaluation intervals, the air operator must have previously implemented First-Look Manoeuvres (FLM) and collected sufficient data through one full Continuing Qualification Cycle in order to establish a base line by which to measure the effect of modified intervals. FLM are those manoeuvres, procedures or tasks that are identified as likely to be sensitive to loss of proficiency due to infrequent practice or exposure.

The principal purpose of FLM is to test the retention of the flight crews in performing these manoeuvres over the evaluation cycle. FLM are an AQP requirement as soon as flight crewmembers are subject to a Continuing Qualification Curriculum. FLM are also a valuable tool that can be employed as a means of validating that currency items are performed in line operations with sufficient frequency that proficiency is being maintained.

An AQP-qualified instructor may conduct first look proficiency assessment in a Level C or higher FFS. However, if an applicant proposes to request manoeuvres validation credit for critical first-look manoeuvres, the applicant must ensure that the first-look proficiency assessment is accomplished by an AQP-qualified evaluator, rather than by an instructor. During First-Look, evaluators must employ the same measurement methodology and rating criteria as used in Manoeuvres Validation. The First-Look grades are analyzed to determine if trends of degraded proficiency exist.

There are four considerations for First-Look Manoeuvres proficiency assessment:

- a) Composition of the manoeuvres list,
- b) Strategy for testing the manoeuvres,
- c) Administering the test, and
- d) Remediation.

A. List of Manoeuvres

The list of First-Look Manoeuvres is developed by the applicant. This list may be data derived provided that the methodology has been accepted by Transport Canada. First-Look items are performed, graded and analyzed to validate that flight crews can maintain proficiency in these items between training intervals. These may also include certain items given a designation of “Currency” in the Qualification Standard, in order to facilitate initial validation that these items are being performed outside of training with sufficient frequency that proficiency is being maintained.

B. Testing Strategy

The testing strategy the applicant develops for First-Look is part of the Implementation and Operations Plan (see Chapter 2). An ideal approach would be to develop a list of several critical and/or currency items that will be sampled using a controlled sampling technique. This would ensure that each of the items is adequately and evenly assessed during the evaluation period. It is important to remember that First-Look testing is not as much an assessment of an individual's skills, as it is a measure of the collective retention of proficiency by flight crews. Individual assessment occurs in MV and LOE only. The data that is collected from First-Look testing is used for trend analysis and as a tool to validate the AQP's overall effectiveness.

C. Administration

First-Look items must not be briefed in advance of the first execution of such manoeuvres. Proficiency data must be collected before the repeated execution of any such First-Look item during training in a flight simulator. There are several options as to when the First-Look Manoeuvres testing should be conducted. For example, First-Look Manoeuvres could be introduced as the first event of a simulator training session addressing manoeuvres. Another option would be to allow the flight crew an opportunity to “warm up” to the simulator by doing other pre-briefed manoeuvres prior to First-Look. Other options would be to make it part of an event in a LOFT or SPOT. The common element in all such options is that proficiency is assessed the first time the First-Look item occurs in training.

D. Remediation

First-Look Manoeuvres proficiency assessment is considered a no jeopardy event, subject to the requirement that any manoeuvres unsuccessfully accomplished be trained to proficiency *prior* to the LOE.

4.3.2 Training Activity

Continuing Qualification curricula should achieve a proper balance between training and evaluation.

Continuing Qualification curricula should typically outline a uniform timetable for the following activities:

A. Continuing Qualification Ground Training Activities

Continuing Qualification training includes ground instruction and evaluation for flight crewmembers, instructors and evaluators. This training includes a review of the information covered in Qualification training, updated as appropriate.

B. Continuing Qualification Flight Proficiency Training

Flight crews and those instructors and evaluators who conduct flight training or flight evaluations will complete proficiency training designed for their respective duty position. This training may be achieved in an aircraft, flight-training device, or flight simulator. Flight proficiency training permits flight crews to experience and practice the procedures and manoeuvres that are not normally encountered in day-to-day flight operations such as alternate, abnormal, and emergency flight events. For instructors and evaluators whose duties are limited to flight simulators and FTDs, flight proficiency training may be conducted in flight simulators and FTDs.

C. Special Purpose Operational Training (SPOT)

These training segments in Continuing Qualification curricula are used for the same purposes as in qualification curricula.

4.3.3 Validation/Evaluation/Remediation

Continuing Qualification must include validation/evaluation in all events and major subjects required for original qualification. This requirement is met through proficiency evaluations and OEs.

A. Manoeuvres Validation (MV)

The MV session in the Continuing Qualification curriculum allows assessment and attainment of technical proficiency in the training program prior to evaluation in the LOE. In Continuing Qualification curriculum training, repeats are allowed and are not counted as an evaluation repeat. In a Continuing Qualification curriculum, MV must be successfully completed within the time limits of the standard company scheduled simulator session (national norm is approximately 2 hours per flight crewmember) or an additional training period is required. If an individual requires additional training periods to be able to demonstrate proficiency, consideration should be given to placing the individual in special tracking.

B. Line Operational Evaluation (LOE)

The LOE is the primary proficiency evaluation. The LOE is conducted in a simulation device approved for its intended use in the AQP. Under extenuating circumstances, the AQP proficiency evaluation may be accomplished in an aircraft, subject to Transport Canada authorization. The purpose, administration, and remediation strategy for the Continuing Qualification Curriculum LOE is the same as for a Qualification Curriculum.

C. Online Evaluation (OE)

Irrespective of the length of the CQC, an OE must be scheduled on an annual basis following initial qualification.

Note: These validations and evaluations, including the associated remediation strategies, are fully described in the AQP Evaluator Manual.

4.3.4 Flight Crewmember Recent Experience

The applicant's AQP should show compliance with the currency experience requirements as outlined in the CARs/CASS. These currency requirements, if not met during line operations, may be satisfied through a flight currency reestablishment activity specified in the Continuing Qualification Curriculum. Currency activities for instructors and evaluators who are not regular line flight crewmembers will be specified in each AQP. These instructor and evaluator activities should enable each instructor or evaluator to maintain proficiency in teaching and evaluating the events he/she is authorized to perform.

4.3.5 Cycles and Evaluation Period

The time period during which all proficiency objectives are trained, validated, or evaluated for all crewmembers is called a Continuing Qualification Cycle (CQC). Figure 4-5 illustrates an example of a Continuing Qualification Cycle (following initial qualification). A CQC is initially based on a 2-year matrix (24 months). This CQC is typically divided into two 12-month Evaluation Periods. All Critical Proficiency Objectives must be evaluated during each Evaluation Period. All Currency Proficiency Objectives must be accomplished during each Continuing Qualification Cycle. It is important to remember that Criticality and Currency does not pertain solely to TPOs, but can also apply to SPOs, dependent on the air operator's Job Task Analysis. CQC intervals can be modified when the program reaches Phase V given adequate justification based on program data analysis.

A. Schedule

The Continuing Qualification Cycle footprint must provide sufficient detail to show compliance with the CASS. Elements of ground training activities, flight training activities, validation, evaluation and currency activities are specifically identified. The schedule for the cycle should specify the period between each type of activity such as Manoeuvres Training (MT), LOFT, MTV and LOE. It should also specify the order in which each activity is to be performed.

Developing a Continuing Qualification activity schedule involves selecting and arranging modules (with related proficiency objectives) from the Qualification Curriculum. These modules are regularly revisited to maintain both individual and crew proficiency. Each Continuing Qualification Curriculum will identify the frequency of training sessions for each person qualified under an AQP.

B. Training and Evaluation Periods

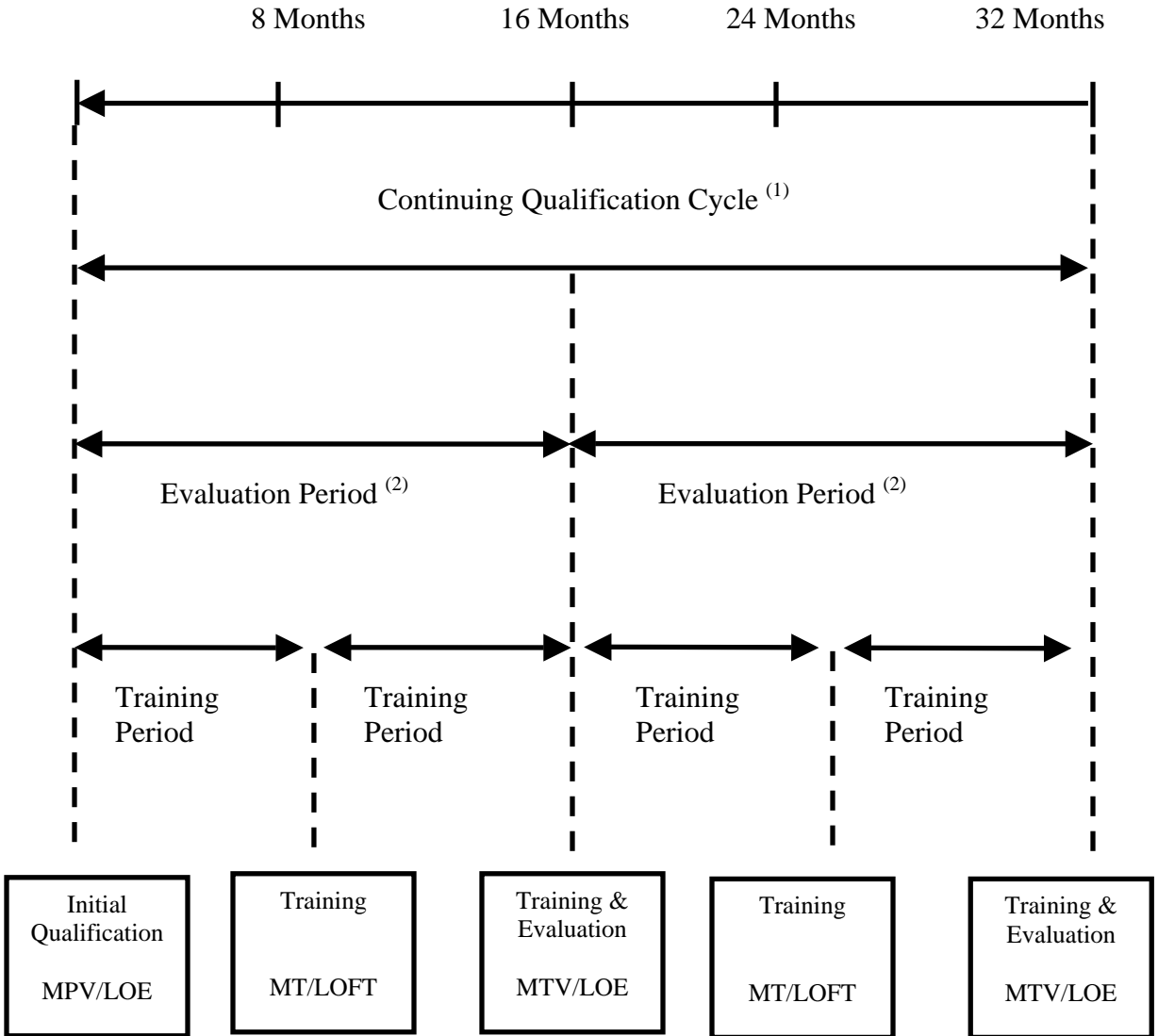
The Continuing Qualification Cycle must be divided into Evaluation and Training Periods. All critical proficiency objectives shall be evaluated during each Evaluation Period. A typical, twelve-month Evaluation Period will be valid until the first day of the thirteenth month following the month in which the evaluation was completed. Once in Phase V however, Evaluation Periods may be longer or shorter than twelve months. For illustration purposes, a sixteen-month Evaluation Period, for example, would be valid until the first day of the seventeenth month following the month in which the evaluation was completed.

Each Evaluation Period shall have one or more Training Periods during which a training activity occurs. A typical, six-month Training Period will be valid until the first day of the seventh month following the month in which the training was completed. Once in Phase V however, Training Periods may be longer or shorter than six months. For illustration purposes, an eight-month Training Period, for example, would be valid until the first day of the ninth month following the month in which the training was completed.

Within the traditional program, when a pilot proficiency check (PPC) or training is renewed within the last 90 days of its validity period, its original anniversary date can be maintained. A similar provision exists for air operators using AQP that are maintaining 6/12 month training and evaluation periods: If the flight crewmember's evaluation or training is renewed within 90 days of its validity period, then the original anniversary date can be maintained.

However, for AQP air operators that are authorized for training and evaluation periods greater than 6/12 months, the original anniversary date can only be maintained if the training or evaluation occurs within the last 60 days of the validity period.

Figure 4-5: Continuing Qualification Cycle (Example Using a Phase V, 32-Month Matrix)



Note 1: All Currency Proficiency Objectives must be evaluated during each Continuing Qualification Cycle.

Note 2: All Critical Proficiency Objectives must be evaluated during each Evaluation Period.

C. Extensions

For air operators that are maintaining 6/12 month training and evaluation periods, a 60-day extension may be granted, if the Minister is of the opinion that aviation safety is not likely to be affected. When an air operator is authorized to maintain training and evaluation periods longer than 6/12 months, a 30-day extension may be granted, if the Minister is of the opinion that aviation safety is not likely to be affected.

Extensions are only considered for unforeseen circumstances that are beyond the air operator's control. These unforeseen circumstances could include such things as illness and simulator breakdown. Extensions will not be granted due to poor planning, scheduling conflicts or lack of proper preparation.

D. Validation

The Continuing Qualification Cycles and Evaluation Periods are subject to continued demonstration of overall effectiveness. The demonstration will be dependent on the data submitted by the applicant for program validation and Transport Canada surveillance. To ensure adequate individual and crew qualification, an applicant must show that its AQP has the capability to monitor each individual's demonstrated proficiency. Included within this validation is the introduction of First-Look Manoeuvres.

E. Dual Qualification

For the purposes of AQP, an individual is deemed to be "dual qualified" if, during the Continuing Qualification Cycle following an AQP proficiency evaluation (LOE), the individual performs flight crew duties in an additional aircraft type. If maintaining qualification in more than one aircraft type in accordance with the definition of "dual qualification" above, the individual will have one aircraft type designated as the "primary" type. The other aircraft type on which they are maintaining qualification will be designated as the "secondary" type.

F. Training Cycle

A person, who is qualified on more than one aircraft type or in more than one duty position on different aircraft types, should be simultaneously enrolled in a separate Continuing Qualification Curriculum for each assigned aircraft and duty position. For each aircraft type on which he/she is maintaining qualification, the individual flight crewmember must accomplish each of the relevant aircraft's Continuing Qualification Curriculum in its entirety. Those training items that are not "fleet specific" in nature need only be addressed in the primary aircraft's Continuing Qualification Cycle.

G. Online Evaluation

In addition, the individual must accomplish at least one OE during the Continuing Qualification Cycle of the "primary" aircraft. The flight crewmember should be subject to OEs on each additional type prior to repeating the OE on any single type.

H. Multiple Duty Positions

A person assigned simultaneously as a flight crewmember, instructor, and/or evaluator on the same aircraft, may be enrolled in a Continuing Qualification Curriculum which combines the activities necessary to maintain skill and proficiency in all duty positions.

4.4 Secondary Curricula

Under a traditional training program, an air operator may develop secondary curricula by using their approved training program as a basis. Under AQP, an air operator may proceed in much the same manner. The authorized AQP curricula can be used as a reference to generate secondary curricula. Developing a secondary curriculum entails selecting, revising, and arranging modules with related Proficiency Objectives from both primary curricula. In all cases, the TPOs, SPOs, and EOs must include CRM principles and include the use of Line Operational Simulation (LOS) for training and evaluation. The differences between the traditional training/checking regulatory requirements and those specified in an air operator's AQP will be identified by the applicant.

Validation and evaluation strategies (i.e., MPV versus MTV) for secondary curricula are based on the strategy employed under the primary curriculum (Qualification or Continuing Qualification) from which they were developed. Therefore, it is essential that all secondary curricula be classified under a primary curriculum as authorized by Transport Canada. For example, a Transition Curriculum is classified as a Qualification Curriculum.

4.4.1 Transition Curriculum

This curriculum is applicable for a candidate who has been previously trained and qualified in a specific duty position by the air operator and is now being assigned to the same duty position on a different aircraft. As required by Part VII of the CARs, the new aircraft must be in the same aircraft group or the Qualification Curriculum must be used. For the purpose of AQP, an aircraft of the same group means reciprocating engine, turbo-propeller engine or turbo-jet engine airplanes. A Transition Curriculum utilizes the same Qualification Standards as the Qualification Curriculum. Candidates must meet all the same testing, validation and evaluation points contained in the Qualification Curriculum.

However, a Transition Curriculum may be somewhat abbreviated compared to the normal Qualification Curriculum. This abbreviation will be based on an analysis of the

training/validation/evaluation requirements of the Qualification Curriculum compared to an assessment of the currency, knowledge, skills and qualifications of the individual. In most cases, the Transition Curriculum will consist of modules extracted from the Qualification Curriculum. For example, flight crewmembers may already be qualified on an aircraft with a particular type of Flight Management System (FMS). If they then transition to an aircraft with the same FMS, the FMS training might only address the specific differences such as aircraft weight and fuel burn. Proficiency could be validated through testing, and it would not be necessary for the candidates to attend the entire FMS curriculum segment.

4.4.2 Upgrade Curriculum

This curriculum is for a candidate who has been previously trained and qualified as either a First Officer, Cruise Relief Pilot, Flight Engineer or Second Officer for the air operator and is being assigned as either a Captain or First Officer, respectively, for the same aircraft type in which he or she was previously trained and qualified. Elements or training modules for this curriculum may be found in both primary curricula. In upgrade training, the same Qualification Standards apply as found in the Qualification Curriculum. The individual must meet all the same testing, validation and evaluation points for the applicable Qualification Curriculum. However, the training received may be abbreviated, based on an analysis of the training/validation/evaluation requirements of the Qualification and Continuing Qualification Curricula compared to an assessment of the currency, knowledge, skills, and qualifications of the individual. For example, if a First Officer is already qualified and current on a specific type, proficiency in training modules such as systems and FMS may be validated through testing. Training on topics such as command authority and CRM, which may be unique to the individual crewmember's duty position, may be trained and evaluated using a combination of classroom and LOS methodology.

4.4.3 Requalification Curriculum

This curriculum is for individuals who no longer meet the recency requirements and/or the validity date of their LOE has expired. These individuals would not meet the requirements of a Continuing Qualification Curriculum, because they have become unqualified for their duty position. The individual must be re-qualified under a secondary curriculum to resume serving in that duty position.

Note: Requalification training is applicable for Captains reassigned as First Officers in the same type aircraft. In this case, duty position dependent training is required.

Note: Requalification Curriculum is required for Captains and First Officers who are reassigned as Flight Engineers or Second Officers on the same aircraft type provided they were previously qualified as Flight Engineers or Second Officers on this type aircraft.

4.4.4 Difference Curriculum

This curriculum is applicable for an employee who has previously been trained and qualified in a specific duty position by the air operator and is being assigned the same duty position on an aircraft of the same family (i.e., A330 to A340, B757 to B767, and CRJ-200 to CRJ-700). The new aircraft must be in the same aircraft family or a Qualification Curriculum must be used. In a Difference Curriculum, an analysis of the Qualification Curriculum of both aircraft must be made to identify the differences. Each Qualification Curriculum will include training, validation, evaluation and pilot licensing action, as applicable. These curriculum differences are used to develop the Difference Curriculum.

Chapter 5 - Instructors and Evaluators

5.1 Instructor/Evaluator Curricula

5.1.1 General

Instructors and evaluators are the backbone of the AQP. Without adequately trained and qualified instructors and evaluators, AQP will not be successful. The applicant must devote the appropriate time and resources to the qualification and continuing qualification of these key personnel.

5.1.2 Instructor/Evaluator Curricula

Each AQP must contain instructor and evaluator Qualification and Continuing Qualification Curricula. These requirements include a separate JTA, Qualification Standards, curricula, and curriculum outlines focusing on the instructor/evaluator duty positions.

Note: The Qualification Standards document for instructor/evaluators does not need to include conditions or a criticality/currency analysis.

An AQP is an alternate method of training, evaluating, qualifying, and certifying, to ensure the competency of pilots, flight crewmembers, instructors, and evaluators subject to the training and evaluation requirements under the applicable Subpart of Part VII of the CARs.

AQP provides for authorization of an alternate method for qualifying, training, certifying and ensuring the competency of instructors and evaluators required to be trained or qualified under Part VII of the CARs. AQP has entailed a detailed re-examination of the existing policies and procedures as they apply to the eligibility, nomination and surveillance requirements for instructors and evaluators. The specific qualification and currency requirements of AQP evaluators are located in the AQP Evaluator Manual.

Historically, ACPs checked pilots using a manoeuvre-based evaluation scenario based on the ACP Manual and the PPC schedules located in Part VII of the CASS. AQP relies on a progressive validation process. In addition to a manoeuvre-based evaluation, AQP also features a LOE. The Qualification Standards used for pilot checking and licensing under AQP will reflect the complete set of standards under which the pilots will operate throughout their operational line flying. Due to the unique characteristics and detailed scripting of LOEs, all personnel authorized to conduct licensing action, are required to complete AQP evaluator training. This training can consist of the Qualification Curriculum either for new personnel or for a differences module for instructors and ACPs that are already qualified under the air operator's traditional program.

5.1.3 Definitions

Evaluator: An “evaluator” is a person delegated by the Minister who has satisfactorily completed training and evaluation that qualifies that person to evaluate the performance of flight crewmembers, instructors, and other evaluators, as appropriate. In an effort to remain aligned with traditional ACP policy and procedure, the AQP term “Evaluator” is considered synonymous with “Check Pilot” or “ACP” in a traditional program.

5.1.4 Qualification Training

The training requirements for each curriculum are derived by a thorough and accurate task analysis. In order to provide an example of what might be included in each curriculum, Transport Canada reviewed several task analyses and extracted some subject areas of interest which are listed below:

A. Instructor Qualification Curriculum

1. General overview of:

- a) The learning process.
- b) Elements of effective teaching.
- c) Student evaluation, quizzing, and testing.
- d) Overview of AQP program development, implementation, and operation policy.
- e) Lesson preparation and application.
- f) Classroom instructing techniques.
- g) Techniques for instructing in the cockpit environment.
- h) Standardization and Rater/Referent Reliability.
- i) CRM and human factors training.
- j) How to conduct training modules for students with varying backgrounds and varying levels of experience and ability.
- k) Instructor responsibilities.

2. Specific training in:

- a) Effective use of and qualification in specific FTDs, flight simulators and aircraft used in the AQP.
- b) Limitations on use of training equipment.
- c) Evaluation of performance against objective standards.
- d) Effective pre-flight and post-flight instruction.
- e) Effective analysis and correction of common errors.
- f) Teaching/facilitation of CRM skills.
- g) Performance and analysis of standard flight events and procedures.
- h) Safety considerations in the training environment.
- i) Data gathering procedures.
- j) Standardization and Rater/Referent Reliability

B. Differences Between Traditional and AQP for Existing Instructors

- a) Overview of AQP program development, implementation, and operation policy.
- b) CRM and human factors training.
- c) Standardization and Rater/Referent Reliability.
- d) Data gathering procedures.
- e) Effective use of and qualification in specific FTDs, flight simulators and aircraft used in the AQP.
- f) Limitations on use of training equipment used in the AQP.
- g) Evaluation of performance against objective standards.

C. Evaluator Qualification Curriculum

1. General overview of:

- a) Evaluation policies and techniques.
- b) The role of the evaluator.

- c) Administrative procedures.
- d) General safety considerations.
- e) Evaluating human factors and CRM skills.
- f) Standardization and Rater/Referent Reliability.

2. Specific training in:

- a) For each crewmember position requiring a particular evaluation the method of conducting:
 - i) Manoeuvres Validation
 - ii) First-Look Manoeuvres
 - iii) Online Evaluations
 - iv) In-flight proficiency evaluations if required
 - v) LOE in flight simulators and/or FTDs
 - vi) Special purpose evaluations (e.g., long range navigation)
- b) The standards for the evaluations in a).
- c) The methods and standards associated with licensing requirements for the issuance of an Instrument and Type Rating.
- d) How to conduct evaluations while simultaneously serving as PIC, SIC, or safety pilot.
- e) Safety considerations for the various types of evaluations.
- f) Safety considerations particular to the make, model, and series aircraft (or variant).
- g) How to evaluate instructors and evaluators.
- h) Company/Transport Canada policies with regard to the conduct of evaluations.
- i) Administrative requirements particular to evaluations.
- j) Evaluating CRM skills.

k) Briefing and debriefing techniques.

l) Data gathering procedures.

D. Differences between Traditional and AQP for Existing Evaluators

a) Overview of AQP program development, implementation, and operation policy.

b) CRM and human factors training/evaluating.

c) Standardization and Rater reliability.

d) Data gathering procedures.

e) Effective use of and qualification in specific FTDs, flight simulators and aircraft used in the AQP.

f) Limitations on use of training equipment.

g) Evaluation of performance against objective standards.

h) Briefing and debriefing techniques.

i) How to evaluate instructors and evaluators.

j) Company/Transport Canada policies with regard to the conduct of evaluations.

k) Administrative requirements particular to evaluations.

5.1.5 Qualification – Evaluation and Observation

Every instructor/evaluator must receive a validation/evaluation at the end of each curriculum. These methodologies must be described in the test and evaluation strategy within the Instructor/Evaluator Qualification Standards.

5.1.6 Continuing Qualification – Training, Evaluation and Observation

Instructors/evaluators should be given an opportunity to operate in all positions in which they are authorized to perform duties. Flight instructors/evaluators should demonstrate the ability to brief and debrief, fly and instruct in both pilot seats and operate the simulator, if appropriate. If possible, instructors/evaluators should focus on the training, validations and evaluations that are under development for the next evaluation period. This will allow the instructors/evaluators to become familiar with all aspects of the

sessions they will be expected to teach/evaluate during the following year. This will help ensure the development of a polished Continuing Qualification program and give the instructors/evaluators an opportunity to maintain their own proficiency using scenarios that they have not seen. Each training period should be conducted by one of a small core of the most experienced instructors/evaluators.

Each Instructor/Evaluator's Continuing Qualification curriculum segment should include the requirements listed below. The requirements of paragraphs c. and d. below should be defined in the Test and Evaluation Strategy in the Instructor/Evaluator Qualification Standards:

- a) Basic crew position Continuing Qualification.
- b) Ground and flight training to enhance, upgrade, and maintain each instructor/evaluator's knowledge, skills, and abilities.
- c) A schedule for recency of instructor/evaluator's experience. The program must define the minimum requirements each category of instructor/evaluator, as defined in the Evaluator Manual, will have to meet in order to stay current in their position. Instructors must maintain a high level of competency, so the minimum standard must be sufficient to maintain their proficiency. Evaluators will perform an adequate number of each of the validation events that they are qualified to administer, as specified in the AQP Evaluator Manual.
- d) A schedule for critical examination of each instructor/evaluator's abilities and adherence to prescribed standards.

5.1.7 Instructor and Evaluator CRM Training and Evaluation

All instructors and evaluators will receive instruction and evaluation in CRM objectives and training methods.

5.2 Type, Qualification and Currency Requirements for Evaluators

Type, qualification and currency requirements for AQP evaluators are located within the AQP Evaluator Manual (TP 14672).

5.3 Quality Assurance and Standardization

5.3.1 Quality Assurance

In order to continuously improve the quality of AQP training, an AQP applicant shall develop a quality assurance program (i.e., mentorship program) to continually evaluate the training programs, the instructors, and evaluators. The most experienced personnel available in the organization will be appointed by the air operator as Quality Assurance Instructors (QAI) and Quality Assurance Evaluators (QAE) to carry out the quality assurance duties. Air operators may also use other terms such as “mentors” to refer to these individuals. Quality Assurance Instructor and Evaluator duties would include observing training, validation, and evaluation events in order to:

- a) Critique performance.
- b) Recommend change.
- c) Provide feedback to the entire training organization at regular intervals.

A Job Task Analysis (JTA), Qualification Standards, and Qualification Curriculum will be required for QAIs and QAEs. All QAIs and QAEs will be required to attend an initial course. The air operator shall establish currency requirements as deemed appropriate.

5.3.2 Standardization

A standardization program for instructor and evaluator is necessary to establish uniform grading criteria, address reliability between instructor and evaluator, and develop remediation procedures. The AQP data collection and analysis is incumbent upon reliable and valid grading assessment from instructors and evaluators. The program must provide Inter-Rater Reliability (IRR) and/or Referent Rater Reliability (RRR) training during the Qualification, Continuing Qualification and Secondary Curricula.

Chapter 6 - AQP Data Management

6.1 Introduction

6.1.1 Background

This chapter provides general guidance for the management of performance/proficiency data within an AQP. Background information and principles for collecting, entering, reporting, and analyzing performance data are addressed in a publication titled “Data Management Guide”. This reference document was developed by the Data Management Focus Group AQP Subcommittee, which is sponsored by the Air Transport Association (ATA). The “Data Management Guide” is available from Transport Canada.

A. Regulatory Requirement

In AQP, the air operator is required to collect and analyze performance information on its flight crewmembers, instructors and evaluators. The data collection, analysis and reporting processes employed by the air operator must be acceptable to Transport Canada. This data will enable the air operator and Transport Canada to determine whether the form and content of training and evaluation activities are satisfactorily accomplishing the overall objectives of the curriculum. Good data management practices are necessary to determine whether an AQP is meeting its objectives.

B. Validation

The principal goal of the AQP is true proficiency-based training and qualification. Performance Objectives are systematically developed and maintained, then continuously validated through the collection and evaluation of empirical performance data. Data collection and analysis (data management) is, therefore, an integral part of AQP.

6.1.2 Definitions

Data management can be classified into two broad categories:

- a) Individual Qualification Records; and
- b) Performance/Proficiency Data.

These broad categories are described below:

A. Individual Qualification Records

These are identifiable, detailed records that are maintained on each individual flight crewmember, instructor and evaluator who is qualifying or has qualified under an AQP. These records show how and when the individual satisfied the requirements of the curriculum required for their assigned duty position. They may also include demographic and work history information, as well as completion information on the modules and lessons. Air operators may maintain a manual record keeping system, or a computerized record keeping system. The record keeping process in AQP does not differ from traditional record keeping requirements.

B. Performance/Proficiency Data

In addition to the traditional record keeping requirements described above, AQP also requires the establishment of a separate PPDB. Performance/proficiency data records are de-identified and are maintained separately from the normal qualification records.

This de-identified information represents the results of an individual's ability to successfully demonstrate the performance objectives of each curriculum. This information is captured during validation and evaluation gates as a flight crewmember progresses through an AQP curriculum. This data is obtained from each flight crewmember's performance and is stored in a collective form in the PPDB.

This data is used to analyze training programs and/or groups of participants, not for tracking individual accomplishment. Successful collection and analysis of this data will allow the air operator to identify and correct problems, validate AQP curricula, and identify developing trends.

6.2 Data Management

6.2.1 Overview

In AQP, data management is a continual process of data collection, entry, submission and analysis.

6.2.2 Data Collection

AQP data collection is required in all curricula. The specifics are detailed in the air operator's AQP Data Collection and Analysis Plan, which are contained in the Implementation and Operations Plan (I & O Plan). Data is collected at each validation or evaluation gate. This data consists of graded proficiency objectives using a rating scale with associated reason codes (if applicable). Data collection requirements for the AQP will vary with the curriculum, the type of curriculum activity (training, validation, or

evaluation), the type of participant (flight crewmember, instructor, or evaluator), and the overall management objectives for use of the data. Figure 6-1 illustrates the AQP data collection fields required for submission to Transport Canada. All performance data collected on each proficiency objective must be relative to the applicable Qualification Standards defined for the training and evaluation activities.

For each flight crewmember in a Qualification or Continuing Qualification Curriculum, Transport Canada must be able to associate the data records applicable for that flight crewmember in that curriculum through logical grouping of the records, or linkage by a common de-identified index number (but not by name).

6.2.3 Data Entry

All performance/proficiency data collected throughout the AQP is entered into the air operator's PPDB. Typically, this is an electronic database for ease in analysis, comparison and reporting purposes. Considerations for data entry include the method, the hardware/software required for data input, and the hardware/software required for data storage and utilization. Distinct advantages, disadvantages and costs are associated with any method of data entry. Database design is at the discretion of the air operator, provided that the design can generate the required report table specified, in a manner acceptable to Transport Canada.

6.2.4 Data Submission

For the purposes of program oversight, Transport Canada has established the minimal requirements for the submission of de-identified data by curriculum. Figures 6-1 through 6-4 summarize the submission requirements in three tables. These tables are the Performance Data Report Table (PDRT), the Skill Reason Table (SkIRsn) and the Training Objectives Report Table (TORT). The information in these tables is downloaded from the air operator's PPDB. The air operator is responsible to prepare de-identified data reports and check them for data integrity, and then to submit them to Transport Canada in 1 calendar-month blocks within 2 months of collection. Reports can be forwarded electronically to Transport Canada or made available by convenient means such as through web access. Transport Canada will analyze the de-identified data using standard automated queries and reports to identify AQP performance trends. Figures 6-2, 6-3, and 6-4 contain specifications for each field in the three tables.

a) PDRT

The PDRT contains a listing of 23 fields that are reported for every measured item, providing a separate record for each. A measured item is a manoeuvre, task, procedure, or event set, and is the main component for data analysis. These fields provide a record of the results of the performance of each measured item along with supporting data for reporting and analysis. Certain supporting data fields (air operator designator, curriculum, etc.) repeat for each record and can be automatically generated from a query/software routine. Each field in the PDRT must contain either an alpha/numeric,

numeric, or text entry. Figure 6-2 contains the specifications for each field, defines the meaning of each field item, and provides examples of the field values.

b) SklRsn

With respect to the SklRsn table, an unsatisfactory rating (Mrate) of a measured item requires that a reason be entered to explain the rating. All reasons are entered in the SklRsn table in field No. 24, Skill Reason Text. This table allows the carriers to report more than one Skill Reason Text for an unsatisfactory rating of a measured item without having to enter multiple records. There are only two fields in this table.

(1) The first field is Field No. 5 (SklRsn), which is the same as in the PDRT and provides the linkage between the two tables. For each record in the PDRT where one or more Skill Reasons need to be reported, an identifier is entered in the SklRsn field that is unique to the measured item. This identifier can be a concatenation of the fields that make it unique. For instance: Fleet+EvalType+CmID+Mitem. As long as the identifier is unique to the record, it is the carrier's discretion to determine which fields are used.

NOTE: If this approach is used, care must be taken to ensure that none of the component field contains an NA value.

(2) The second field in the SklRsn Table is the Skill Reason Text, the field that will contain descriptive text for each reason relevant to a particular measured item. For example: Systems Knowledge, Procedural, CRM, Technical Knowledge, etc.

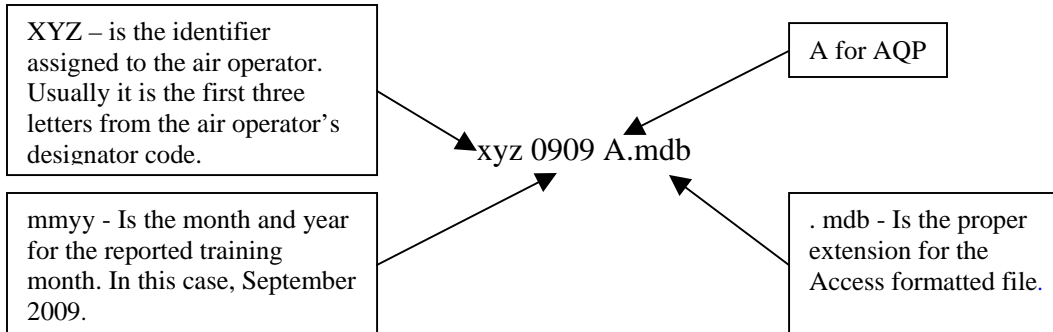
c) TORT

The TORT table is comprised of training objective(s) associated with each measured item. It provides a means of auditing the relationship between the measured item and the task analysis, qualification standards, and the curriculum. There are four fields in this table. The TORT links to the PDRT through the first field, Measured Item ID (MItemID). The second field, Objective ID (ObjID) is an identifier assigned to each terminal proficiency objective (TPO) or supporting proficiency objective. The Objective ID may be the same as the Measured ID if it is a single TPO or SPO. However, in the case of a measured item that is an event set, there may be several training objective identifiers associated to the Measured Item ID. The third field, Objective Title (ObjTitle) is a text description of the training objective. The last field in this table is the Objective Type (ObjType) that identifies the training objective as a TPO, SPO, EO or as required by the air operator's qualification standards structure.

Due to the unique features of each operator's AQP, TC in consultation with the air operator may require the collection of additional data as deemed appropriate.

d) File Naming Convention

Data submissions must use the file-naming format (xyzmmyya.mdb) as shown in the example below:



On the following pages, figure 6-1 lists the minimum AQP data submission requirements. Figure 6-2 provides the specification for each field in the PDRT. Figure 6-3 discusses the skill reason codes and supporting text applicable to the SklRsn table while figure 6-4 on the topic of the TORT links training objectives with measured items.

Req - A required entry.

N/A - If no value is to be entered, use N/A. Leave no blank fields.

Des - Desired. This is optional information that is not required, but desired for submission. If not submitted, then N/A must be entered as the value.

*/** - See Notes in Data Reporting Format - Figure 6-2.

*** - If there is no crew pairing for Systems or Procedures Val, submit the single CmID (No. 21) for the crewmember.

Qual - AQP Qualification Curriculum

CQ - AQP Continuing Qualification Curriculum

FL - First Look Manoeuvres

SV - Systems Validation

PV - Procedures Validation

MV - Manoeuvres Validation

LOE - Line Operational Evaluation

OE - Online Evaluation

FIGURE 6–2: PERFORMANCE DATA REPORT TABLE (PDRT)

Table	No	Field	Description	Short Name	Type	Field Size	Example(s)	Notes
PDRT	1	Measured Item	The task, manoeuvre, procedure, or event set statement.	Mitem	Text	80	Perform Engine Failure Procedure	1) This field will be N/A for Qual. SV and PV because these validations are usually graded pass/fail and recorded in field No. 23.
	2	Measured Item ID	An alphanumeric used to identify the task, manoeuvre, procedure or event set being graded.	MitemID	Text	12	1.2.1.3 or KK73456	1) This value is associated with a TPO, SPO, or event set. When it is a TPO or SPO, use the related number from the hierarchical numbering system. When it is an event set, enter the event set identifier. 2) This field will be N/A for Qual. SV and PV because these validations are normally graded in aggregate (pass/fail), and recorded in field No. 23.
	3	Measured Item Rating	The <u>numeric</u> rating assigned on the <u>first</u> attempt for each measured item.	Mrate	Numeric	1	3	1) Values depend on rating scale. 2) Do not provide records that are missing MRate: Provide only performance related information. Do not provide “Incomplete”. 3) Reported rating must refer only to the first attempt of the measured Item, not the terminal performance. 4) * Use 9 instead of N/A for Qual. SV and PV. This is a numeric only field.
	4	Rating Meaning	A description of the Measured Item Rating	Rmean	Text	40	Satisfactory	1) The text meaning of each number in the rating scale.
	5	Skill/Reason	Link between the PDRT and SKLRSN tables	SkIRsn	Text	90	B-737-LOE-5555-Taxi	1) This field is a unique record identifier that must be provided for Unsatisfactory Measured Item ratings (MRate) to provide a link to the Skill Reason table for single or multiple reasons for a failure. 2) This identifier can be a combination of the fields that make it unique. For example: Fleet+EvalType+CmID+MItem. As long as the identifier is unique to the record, it is the carrier’s discretion to determine which fields are used. 3) If Mitem is satisfactory, insert N/A in this field.
	6	PF/PNF	Indicates whether the pilot performing the Measured Item was flying or not flying.	PFPNF	Text	3	PF or PNF	1) No entry requirement for FE. 2) N/A for Qualification Curriculum Systems and Procedures Validation 3) ** For FL, it is desired and encouraged that PNF data be submitted along with PF data. However, if significant grade sheet changes are necessary to accommodate this, only the standard PF items need be identified. For these air operators, the value entered for all FL Measured Items will be “PF”. 4) ** This field is desired for Qual. and CQ Manoeuvres Validation; however, if PNF is not submitted then the value will be “PF”.
	7	Is currency Item?	Indicates whether the Measured Item is a currency item.	Currency	Text	3	Yes, No or N/A	1) N/A is used when the Measured Item is an Event Set.

Table	No	Field	Description	Short Name	Type	Field Size	Example(s)	Notes
	8	Is Critical Item	Indicates whether the Measured Item is a critical item.	Crit	Text	3	Yes, No or N/A	1) N/A is used when the Measured Item is an Event Set.
PDRT	9	Crew ID	The de-identified alphanumeric assigned to a specific pairing of crewmembers that will be maintained for the duration of a curriculum, unless the crew make-up changes or a seat substitute is present.	CrewID	Text	40	P21234 SIC F12312	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) CrewID is the concatenation of the CmID's (#21) of all crewmembers present. Order of ID's: PIC SIC RP FE. 2) If two PICs, SICs or RPs are trained together use the structure PIC PIC FE, or SIC SIC FE or RP RP, as appropriate, separated by spaces. 3) If there is no crew pairing for Systems or Procedures Val, submit the single CmID (#21) for the crewmember. 4) Maintain CrewID in exact form and order, except for seat substitutes. For seat subs, use Crew Position (No. 22) values relative to the seat position in the CrewID sequence and add the CmID number. For example, P21234 SIC S17521 F12312 would indicate that the first officer position was occupied by a First Officer seat substitute with CmID number S17521. 5) Do not submit data collected on non-employees (e.g., contract instructors) performing their required validations/evaluations.
	10	(MM/YYYY)	The month and the year the Measured Item data is collected.	Date	Date	7	10/2001	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Set the date field format in Access to month/year; use full century: MM/YYYY. 2) The day value will default to 01.
	11	Air operator Designator	The air operator's four-character designator reporting the measured items.	AirDsgn	Text	4	XYZA	
	12	TC Fleet Designator	The TC designation of the fleet or equipment type relevant to the Measured Item.	Fleet	Text	20	B-737	1) See Air operator/Fleet Designator Menu
	13	Training Program	The training program relevant to the Measured Item.	TrPgm	Text	4	AQP	
	14	Curriculum	The AQP curriculum in which the Measured Item is being validated or evaluated.	Curr	Text	4	Qual, CQ or N/A	
	15	Evaluation Type	The evaluation type in which the Measured Item is accomplished.	EvalType	Text	4	FL, SV, PV, MV, LOE, OE	

Table	No	Field	Description	Short Name	Type	Field Size	Example(s)	Notes
PDRT	16	TC Simulator ID	The TC simulator ID number of the simulator where the Measured Item is performed.	SimID	Text	4	1234 or N/A	1) If a simulator is not used, enter N/A
	17	Evaluator ID	The identification number of the evaluator who graded the Measured Item.	EvaltrID	Text	15	123456	1) If an TC inspector is the evaluator, use the TCID in this field and in the TC Inspector ID field, No. 18.
	18	TC Inspector ID	The Form 110A number of the aviation safety inspector who observed the Measured Item.	TCID	Text	4	1234	1) Report the TC ID Number (110A) of a TC inspector who is there as an observer and/or evaluator (#17). If no TC inspector is present, enter N/A.
	19	OE Geographic Area	The geographic area where the Measured Item is collected for OE.	GeoArea	Text	30	Pacific	1) Use geographic descriptors as defined by the air operator. 2) This field is only required for AQP operators intending to apply or already authorized for deviations from regulatory OE interval requirements; otherwise, enter N/A.
	20	Comments	Additional comments submitted by evaluator.	Comment	Memo			1) The comment field provides further explanation of unsatisfactory or outstanding measured Item Rating. 2) Evaluator comments are provided at the discretion of the air operator, unless otherwise required in accordance with the air operator's AQP. 3) If there are no comments, enter N/A.
	21	Crewmember ID	The de-identified alphanumeric assigned for the duration of a curriculum to the crewmember performing the measured item.	CmID	Text	10	P123456	1) Begin all PIC IDs with P, SIC IDs with S, Cruise Relief Pilot (CRP) IDs with R and FE IDs with F. 2) The P, S, R or F refer to the position for which the pilot in training is being qualified, not necessarily the seat occupied. 3) Do not submit data collected on non-employees (e.g., contract instructors) performing their required validations/evaluations.
	22	Crew Position	The "seat" occupied by the person performing the Measured Item.	CrewPos	Text	4	PIC	PIC = Pilot in Command SIC = Second in Command FE = Flight Engineer E.g., a SIC or CRP in the left seat would be entered as PIC.
	23	Evaluation Type Rating	The overall rating the pilot performing the Measured Item received for the evaluation type.	EvalRtg	Text	5	Sat or Unsat	1) Rating must refer to the first execution of the evaluation type. Repeated sessions are not reported in this table.

FIGURE 6-3: SKILL/REASON TABLE (SKLRSN)

Table	#	Field	Description	Short Name	Type	Field Size	Example(s)	Notes
SkIRsn	5	Skill/Reason	Link between the PDRT and SKLRSN tables	SkIRsn	Text	90	B-737-LOE-5555-Taxi	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) This field is a unique record identifier that must be provided for Unsatisfactory Measured Item ratings (MRate) to provide a link to the Skill Reason table for single or multiple reasons for a failure. 2) This identifier can be a combination of the fields that make it unique. For example: Fleet+EvalType+CmID+ MItem. 3) As long as the identifier is unique to the record, it is the carrier's discretion to determine which fields are used. 4) None of the component fields can contain a N/A value.
	24	Skill reason Text	A description of the skill or reason for assigning an unsatisfactory Measured Item rating.	SkIRsn Text	Text	40	Technical CRM Procedural	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Provided for Unsatisfactory Measured Item Ratings from the carrier's Reason Codes. 2) If more than one skill or reason is relevant, allow one field for each skill or reason. 3) Enabling Objectives (EOs) are acceptable as skill descriptors.

FIGURE 6-4: TRAINING OBJECTIVES REPORT TABLE (TORT)

Table	#	Field	Description	Short Name	Type	Field Size	Example(s)	Notes
TORT	2	Measured Item ID	An alphanumeric used to identify the task, manoeuvre, procedure or event set being graded.	MitemID	Text	12	1.2.1.3 or KK73456	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) This value is associated with a TPO, SPO, or event set. When it is a TPO or SPO, use the related number from the hierarchical numbering system. When it is an event set, enter the event set identifier. 2) This field will be N/A for Qual. SV and PV because these validations are normally graded in aggregate (pass/fail), and recorded in field No. 23.
	25	Objective ID	An alphanumeric assigned to each terminal or supporting objective tested by the Measured Item.	ObjID	Text	12	3.2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) List all the TPOs, SPOs or other <u>high level objective grouping</u> that apply to the Measured Item.
	26	Objective Title	A description of the objective ID	ObjTitle	Text	80	Perform Engine Fire Procedures	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A description of the objective ID in field No. 25.
	27	Objective Type	A description of the objective type	ObjType	Text	5	TPO or SPO or EO	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Identify the training objective as a TPO, SPO, or EO.

6.2.5 Data Analysis

The primary users of data reports are air operator personnel and Transport Canada.

A. Air Operator

AQP requires that the data collection conducted by the air operator for its own use in monitoring curricula will support more analytical detail and diagnostic functions than the data collected for submission to Transport Canada. Transport Canada expects the air operator to do an in-depth analysis of the effectiveness of the training. Reporting of data is based on the analysis of the PPDB to provide information on the curriculum and participant groups (flight crewmembers, instructors/evaluators). Once the data is collected and entered into the data management system (PPDB), an analysis should be performed on the aggregate information. Statistical analysis of the proficiency data enables air operators to make an internal assessment of their performance. Air operators should tailor these processes and techniques to suit their own requirements. Each air operator's data collection and performance assessment processes should be refined over time, based on their own practical experience. That is, the measures and processes should be optimized on an iterative basis to provide the degree of discrimination in flight crewmember performance needed to establish effective quality control over AQP curricula.

B. Transport Canada

The data submissions to Transport Canada are primarily ratings and reason codes associated with performance measures taken at validation and evaluation gates and supporting data. The data, presented to Transport Canada in the tables previously discussed is analyzed using the Canadian Data Analysis Reporting Tool (CDART) to allow a POI and other Transport Canada personnel to conduct trend analysis to monitor overall program effectiveness.

Chapter 7 - Crew Resource Management (CRM)

7.1 Introduction

7.1.1 Overview

CRM training develops skills that enhance flight safety through the effective use of all available resources including human, hardware and information resources. CRM training increases awareness of human error and systemic and organizational threats, and discusses techniques, skills and attitudes that will minimize their effects. Meanwhile, recent developments in assessment techniques focus on threat and error management strategies and performance where it is recognized that from time to time and although not desirable, errors or deviations from standard practices will occur. Effective risk mitigation therefore includes an awareness of flight crewmember attitudes and behaviors as well as the use of practical flight management skills.

CRM training achieves a greater degree of integration through an AQP than that offered through a traditional training program. This chapter describes the integration of CRM training into pilot training curricula using the instructional systems development methodology that forms the foundations of the AQP process. The approach demonstrates how the analytical methodologies in AQP have the potential to produce more rigorous CRM training, including the appropriate integration of CRM and technical training.

7.2 Integrating CRM into an AQP

7.2.1 Scope of Integration

One of the major objectives of AQP is the seamless integration of CRM and technical training, such that CRM becomes an integral part of the flying job. Where appropriate, CRM procedures are identified, documented, integrated and accorded the same weight as the technical procedures required for the execution of a given phase of flight and its associated flight tasks. Seamless integration does not, however, mean that only those aspects of CRM that can be proceduralized are addressed in flight operations technical training and evaluation. Comprehensive CRM training in AQP requires that two aspects of CRM be addressed.

A. Phase Specific

Some aspects of CRM are inherent to manoeuvre performance. For example, communication procedures for co-ordinating callouts during take-offs, approaches, and other manoeuvres are clearly specified in terms of “what” should be said and “when” it should be said. These callouts take place during most flight phases and are performed, for the most part, at fairly fixed points in the flight-phase sequence of task activities. Similarly, some aspects of communication during the management of non-normal conditions can be easily positioned within the sequence of activities performed to manage

the non-normal condition. These aspects of CRM are phase specific or condition specific.

B. Phase Independent

Other equally important CRM activities, in contrast, are performed on an as-needed basis, in order to manage the flight, work well as a team, or respond to unique situations. Recognizing the need for, and effectively executing these activities, is critical to coordinating the various duties the crew must perform during the flight. For example, certain communications should be performed in order to maintain crew awareness of flight status. Regardless of the phase of flight, it is critical that the crew recognizes this communication requirement and effectively acts upon it in a timely manner to maintain crew situational awareness.

These global activities do not fit neatly within a hierarchical list of technical activities, organized by phase of flight. Instead, they act as a “shell” or “template” that overlays and organizes the activities that may need to be performed during any phase of flight. These phase-of-flight independent skills as a whole constitute a management strategy that represents a critically important part of the inventory of defences against error by flight crews and threats surfacing from the organization or the operational environment. In particular, they can provide the crew with the tools needed to resolve problematic situations to which they may never have been previously exposed in training or in flight operations. It is important, therefore, that training activities seek to fully instil these skills in crews, in order to provide a basis for generalization to a potentially wide variety of situations. Figure 7-1 contains samples of some of these phase-of-flight independent CRM skills.

Fig 7-1: Sample Phase Independent CRM Skills

Exercise Captain’s Authority or Responsibility	Distribute workload and prioritize between primary and distracting duties.
	Communicate plans and decisions to the crew.
	Enforce standardization, policies, and procedure.
	Set expectations for maintaining vigilance and avoiding complacency.
	Respond to any safety-related concern raised by any crewmember.
	Develop and enhance the aviation skill and knowledge of junior crewmembers.
	Review operational irregularities and establish bottom lines.
	Communicate intentions, “bottom lines,” and decisions to all crewmembers.

Fulfil First Officer or Flight Engineer Responsibilities	Cross-check and back the Captain up. This requires maintaining vigilance and flying proficiency. It also includes effective monitoring of the situation.
	Report to the Captain any safety-related concern and request a plan or decision if none is articulated.
	Support decisions articulated by the Captain within the limits of safety, legality, and procedure.
	Develop individual proficiency and take the best from each Captain.

Maintain Situational Awareness	Prepare, plan and maintain vigilance—be prepared for what you can reasonably expect.
	Carry out actions or decisions based on priorities and crew workload established by the Captain.
	Identify systemic traps.
	Be aware of the limits of human performance and the nature of human error.

Establish Effective Communications	Conduct or contribute to briefings (keep your head in the game and work to get ahead of it).
	Maintain a communications “loop”—acknowledge commands, statements, and questions of crewmembers.
	Use resources appropriately to make informed decisions.
	Resolve disagreements or differences in expectations—ensure that all crewmembers are working from the “same page.”
	Manage errors appropriately to mitigate consequences.
	Continuously review the appropriateness of decisions made and actions taken
	Debrief critical flight events—take the opportunity to learn from unusual events by reviewing the expectations and actions of all flight crewmembers at the end of the flight.

Develop And Maintain Teamwork	Establish appropriate duties and responsibilities by crew position.
	Back each other up through effective cross-check and acknowledgment.
	Demonstrate motivation appropriate to the situation—transition between casual conversation and focused flight communication based on the need to prepare and execute your flight. This entire range is appropriate at different points in flight.

	Protect crewmembers from the consequences of work overload.
	Effectively coordinate with other groups: flight attendant's, gate agents, dispatch, and ground crew.
	Apply judgment in use of automated systems and modes.
	Operate the airplane using different levels of automation as appropriate to the situation.
	Verify that automation is doing what you expect and act to control it when it does not.
	Intervene to control autoflight.
	When using automation, back each other up (verify settings, state intentions, establish roles).

7.2.2 CRM and the AQP Task List

The AQP task list reflects the air operator's definition of the flight crew's job, including the role that CRM is expected to play in the performance of that job. This job definition specifies the task activities, the knowledge and the skills that must be trained in order to achieve and maintain pilot and crew proficiency. Because of the fundamental role played by the task list, it should provide a comprehensive specification of the various task activities that constitute the job, and the knowledge and skills required to perform those task activities, both technical and CRM.

In terms of the task list, this means that there are CRM task activities just as there are technical task activities. All of the technical and CRM task activities that must be performed to support these high-level task activities can now be identified. The high-level task activities, which also act as objectives, serve as a type of template that will overlay the specific procedures for handling each condition. High-level CRM task activities act as the framework within which technical activities are positioned to support management objectives.

7.2.3 CRM Knowledge and Skills

A CRM skill represents the ability of a person to apply specific CRM knowledge across a broad range of flight related situations. In AQP, these CRM skills are combined to develop proficiency objectives. Once the air operator has identified the set of task activities appropriate for defining the flight crew's job (from the task list), these activities then provide the framework for identifying the CRM knowledge and skills that a pilot or crew must possess in order to effectively perform each task activity. Two approaches are commonly used to identify CRM knowledge and skills:

A. Top-down

This approach uses the CRM categories chosen by the air operator, to identify the set of CRM knowledge and skills. The resulting knowledge and skills can then be attached to those task activities whose performance they support.

B. Bottom-up

This approach identifies CRM knowledge and skills by analyzing each individual task activity. The structure of the task activity determines the knowledge and skill requirements. This approach has the advantage that it defines an inherent link between the task activity and its knowledge and skills.

7.2.4 CRM and Proficiency Objectives

Once the task list has been completed, the proficiency objectives can be identified for that job. Two types of proficiency objectives are used. These are categorized according to whether a flight crewmember requires specific knowledge or whether the flight crewmember is required to perform an activity. Ground training EOs reflect the subject matter that a flight crew must “know”. Flight training TPOs, SPOs and EOs reflect the activities a flight crew must be able to “do”. Appropriate integration of CRM into both ground and flight proficiency objectives ensures that the range of CRM issues important to the air operator will be addressed both in training and in evaluation. This is accomplished by including CRM performance standards in the proficiency objectives.

7.2.5 Training Events

The complete set of proficiency objectives defines the end result of training: the task activities the crew must be able to perform, the set of conditions under which they must be able to perform them, the performance standards that must be met, and the evaluation strategy that will be used to evaluate proficiency. They do not, however, describe the specific training situations and activities that will be used to achieve this end result, especially in terms of flight training. One means for specifying the set of flight training situations to be included in a curriculum is by means of events.

The suggestion that flight training and testing activities should be developed around a set of events was formalized in 1994 by an industry group tasked to recommend a systematic approach for developing LOS scenarios under AQP. The event set methodology has achieved wide acceptance because of its analytical approach to scenario design and its reinforcement of the use of realistic line conditions that enable crews to practice the full range of flight management skills.

The effectiveness of the event set methodology for integrating technical and CRM training objectives suggests that an event orientation throughout the curriculum, rather than just in LOFT or LOE, could offer important advantages.

A. Event Sets

The primary unit of both LOS design and CRM assessment is the event set. The event set is made up of one or more events, including an event trigger, distracters, and supporting events. The event trigger is the condition or group of conditions under which the event is fully activated. The distracters are conditions inserted within the event set time frame that are designed to divert the crew’s attention from other events that are occurring or are

about to occur. Finally, supporting events are other events taking place within the event set designed to further CRM and technical training objectives. In LOS scenario design, the CRM and technical training objectives should be integrated into the event sets.

This event set framework allows the design team to present the appropriate degree of realism in the LOS. Instead of focusing on a specific technical issue, the event set integrates the entire complex line environment (e.g., terrain, Air Traffic Control (ATC), weather issues, etc.) to facilitate and maximize the crew's performance in response to specified CRM and technical issues. The event set tends to follow the phase of flight and may extend beyond a single phase. This event set framework provides a logical breakdown for terrain, ATC, and weather issues as they interact with LOS events. With the LOS scenario now defined by event sets, scenario validation is performed at the event set level rather than limiting validation to the overall LOS. A sample event-set development worksheet is shown in Figure 7-2.

B. Sources of Events and Event Sets

The air operator's safety information system (incident reports, flight crew reports, FOQA data, OE data, etc.) is an important source for events and event sets. The conditions that encouraged the occurrence of an incident can be replicated in flight training or discussed in ground training. The purpose is to educate pilots about the types of conditions that can increase the likelihood of an error, to present strategies for avoiding these errors, and techniques for recovering from them, should they occur.

Figure 7-2: Sample Event Set Worksheet (aircraft operated under Subpart 705 of the CARs)

**A340 EVENT SET NUMBER 101 WORKSHEET
(FROM A340 R L 03-02 LEG 1)**

OVERVIEW. Low Visibility take-off and climb with a reroute and a TCAS event			SUCCESS CRITERIA	
Phase of Flight: Take-off through Climb				
	TPOs and SPOs	Conditions	Technical Skills and Observables	CRM Skills and Observables
<u>Trigger:</u> Departure weather, 200 overcast, RVR 1500. <u>Distracters:</u> TCAS RA, shortly after take-off. <u>Supporting Events:</u> Reroute and climb restriction <u>Difficulty Equivalency Rating:</u> Low Visibility take-off - IMC - 4 FMS – 1 TCAS – 3 Total - 8	Low Visibility take-off operations (2.1) Proper cleanup profile. (2.1.4) Perform TCAS RA avoidance (9.1.28) Perform climb operations. (3.1)	Take Off Thrust - Normal IMC weather	Proficient in use of FMS and Autopilot Flight Director System. (9.1.11) (9.1.13) Accomplishes take-off/climb procedures IAW SOP. (2.1.1) (2.1.2) (2.1.3) (2.1.4) (3.1.1) (3.1.2) Appropriate response to TCAS Alert (9.1.28)	Crew coordinates for airspeed and altitude changes. (SA 3.4) Crew verbalizes and acknowledges changes in the altitude selector window. (AT 6.4) PF coordinates with PM in the use of automation. (AT 6.6)

7.2.6 Curriculum Design

Curriculum design is the final product of the AQP analyses performed to this point: what is the job, what is proficiency on the job and how is it measured, and what type of training should be provided to achieve proficiency. The curriculum layout reflects the products of these analyses. Much of the work involved in designing a curriculum has been accomplished through the preparation of the task list, proficiency objectives and event sets. If a series of objectives and events have been developed, the design of the curriculum is largely complete, except for choosing the specific locations within the syllabus for the individual elements.

A. Qualification Curriculum

CRM training should progress from general information to specific application. First, a separate CRM portion might be appropriate to address the philosophical issues pertaining to Captain's and First Officer's authority and corporate expectations concerning professionalism and individual responsibility. In addition, CRM is also likely to play a supporting role in other portions, such as flight management during conditions of severe weather. The decision processes involved in managing severe weather conditions provides an appropriate flight management context for addressing operational issues pertaining to weather.

Specific qualification training will likely use a different set of training topics. These topics could reflect the transition from knowledge to skill acquisition and, finally, to skill application. If so, the sections will reflect the following learning stages:

- a) **Knowledge:** This includes basic awareness training concerning the nature of the skills, their value, strategies for using them, and ways to assess the effectiveness of skill use. Presenting the different roles that could be played by each crewmember sets the stage for later events where the crew must actually assume the appropriate roles for that situation.
- b) **Procedures:** This training includes the proceduralized aspects of CRM which are typically reflected in an air operator's SOPs.
- c) **Manoeuvres:** This training can extend beyond simply practicing individual manoeuvres so as to encompass situation assessment, planning, workload distribution, and other critical CRM skills.
- d) **Flight management:** This training requires the strategic use of multiple skills adapted to the requirements of challenging flight situations. It also requires the accurate assessment of skill effectiveness in management of such situations. Effectively accomplishing such training requires a systematic approach to the development of scenario events designed to elicit complex crew skills.

B. Continuing Qualification Curriculum

This curriculum has two goals: To evaluate pilot and crew proficiency, and to provide supplemental training. Because of the severe time constraints imposed on this curriculum, only “snapshot” samples of pilot and crew performance are possible. If a flight management framework has been used to prepare the task list and proficiency objectives, the performance samples could utilize an event-based approach that gauges pilot and crew performance for procedures, manoeuvres, and flight management.

7.2.7 Line Operations and Proceduralized CRM

Developing and teaching specific observable actions that would be required in the execution of specific activities at designated points in normal flight operations, as well as during abnormal or emergency conditions, can enhance the crew’s ability to communicate effectively, plan and manage their workload, and solve problems during flight operations. A procedural approach may raise key aspects of CRM to the level of SOP, which increases CRM’s operational significance and provides crews with a standard form of CRM. CRM procedures may be embedded in a range of crew activities through the different phases of flight, reducing distractions to the pilot flying (PF) in both normal and abnormal situations. Also, providing structure to briefings with a checklist format can enhance the crew’s performance and improve the transfer of critical information.

7.3 Evaluating CRM

7.3.1 Overview

The training developed for AQP reflects the corporate philosophy as to how the job is to be performed, including the identification of observable behaviours that serve as the basis for evaluation. The use of a flight management philosophy during the development of training curricula and during the actual training supports an outcome-oriented assessment of skill use. Effective task activity performance is defined within the context of achieving predefined flight objectives. This approach supports the definition of objective standards that can serve as the basis for evaluation, and provides a consistent foundation on which to evaluate both CRM and technical skills.

7.3.2 Observable Behaviours

Observable behaviour is a specific action employing a CRM skill in a given situation. Evaluation of individual pilot and crew CRM proficiency is possible through the inclusion of observable behaviours in the evaluation criteria that reflect performance on CRM-related task activities. These observable behaviours are defined for both the proficiency objectives and the events. Evaluation of CRM skills is possible if the event sets used in the evaluation process address these skills and incorporate appropriate observable behaviours in the performance standards.

7.4 CRM in Line Operations

7.4.1 Supplemental Feedback

Pilots should be able to recognize when flight management task activities need to be performed, implement strategies for performing these activities, and utilize techniques for assessing their effectiveness in the achievement of flight objectives. The AQP process offers a formal analytical methodology for developing and maintaining effective training programs towards that end. It provides a concrete approach to defining, training and evaluating CRM. In particular, it supports skill-oriented training intended to provide crews with realistic strategies for effectively managing flight situations in accordance with corporate standards for safety and efficiency. Further, it encourages the use of a comprehensive strategy for training pilots, instructors, and evaluators to help ensure that a common corporate standard is followed by all.

However, even with the best of training and evaluation strategies, the extent to which skills are regularly applied during normal operations must be determined. The ability to demonstrate the successful application of CRM skills in training does not ensure their use outside this setting. It is therefore important that air operator develops mechanisms to assess CRM practices during line operations. AQP requires full crew OEs as one source of information on CRM practices during actual line operations. Additional sources of feedback are strongly recommended. The following are among some of the vehicles that have been effectively employed for that purpose:

- a) Anonymous surveys to measure acceptance of CRM concepts;
- b) Periodic non-jeopardy audits of line operations to observe CRM practices and Threat and Error Management techniques;
- c) Pilot non-punitive self-reporting programs;
- d) Company-based incident reporting systems that can be supplemented by data from other outcome-based systems; and
- e) Formalized programs (such as the routine analysis of data from a Flight Operations Quality Assurance – FOQA program and/or a Line Operations Safety Audit – LOSA program).

7.4.2 Corporate Culture

Ultimately, the effectiveness of CRM in the operational environment depends upon the extent to which an air operator treats CRM as an integral part of its culture. The commitment of corporate management to this integration is critical to its achievement. A corporate decision to implement AQP is a clear indication of that commitment. It is expected that good CRM will be adopted as a cultural norm and seen as important as good stick and rudder skills. A measure of the successful achievement of that norm is the extent to which a pilot's competence, as perceived by peers, is

determined by flight management skills as well as by technical skills. AQP provides a highly effective vehicle for achieving such an organizational culture.

Appendix A - AQP DOCUMENTATION

AQP Document Requirements

There are six documents and an annual report required for each AQP air operator. The six AQP documents, and the required number of each document, are listed below:

1. **Application/Administration** - One per AQP air operator.
2. **Job Task Analysis** - One for each trainee type and one for each trainee type's instructors, evaluators, QAIs and QAEs.
3. **Qualification Standards** - One for each trainee type and one for each trainee type's instructors, evaluators, QAIs and QAEs.
4. **Instructional Systems Development (ISD) Methodology** - One per AQP air operator.
5. **Curriculum Outline** - One per curriculum for each type, model, series, variant and instructors, evaluators, QAIs and QAEs.
6. **Implementation and Operations Plan** - One per AQP air operator but must be organized to address issues specific to each curriculum

Each of the above documents must remain current throughout the life of the AQP and must have a revision control process acceptable to Transport Canada.

In addition to the six documents described above, the air operator is also required to submit to TC an annual report once any curricula has reached Phases IV and V. Details can be found in paragraph 2.7.1 and Appendix C.

Minimum AQP Documentation Requirements for the Program Audit Database

Listed below are the topics that must be addressed in each document. If an air operator adopts a different document configuration than the one suggested below, then the air operator should provide clear and specific guidance in the applicable document(s), as to the location of the information for each of these document topics.

Phase	Document Type	Document Topics
I	Application/Administration	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application Statement of Intent 2. Applicant Staff Organization 3. Documentation Organization and Revision Procedures 4. Reporting Requirements 5. Aircraft Configuration and Performance Baseline 6. Operating Environment Description 7. Trainee Demographics 8. Principle Operator Document References Governing Operations 9. Training Equipment Description and Location 10. Facilities Description 11. Transition Plan/Update 12. PADB Master List
II	Job Task Analysis (JTA)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General Explanation 2. Task Hierarchy 3. Knowledge and Skills 4. CARs Training Requirements
II	Qualification Standards	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prologue 2. Training/Checking Requirements compared to CARs Requirements 3. Curriculum Test and Evaluation/Remediation Strategy 4. Qualification Standards

II	Instructional System Design (ISD) Methodology	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Curriculum Development Methodology 2. Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Development Methodology
II	Curriculum Outlines	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Curriculum Entry/Prerequisite Analysis 2. Curriculum Footprint 3. Curriculum Outline
II	Implementation and Operations Plan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implementation and Operations Guidance and Policy 2. Data Plan
IV, V	Annual Reports (to TC)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Performance/Proficiency Data Analysis Reports 2. Curriculum Maintenance Reports

Appendix B - AQP DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

This section provides detailed information for use by both Transport Canada and the air operator for the development and review of required AQP documents. Subject to the authorization of Transport Canada, other document configurations may be utilized. If an air operator adopts a different document configuration, other than the one suggested here, the air operator should provide clear and specific guidance in the applicable document(s), as to the location of the information for each of these document topics.

Application/Administration Document

(Phase I Step 1)

The purpose of the Application/Administration Document is to establish the applicant's methodology for developing an AQP for all or part of its fleets, and for instructors and evaluators. The application is submitted once and is updated as information in the document changes (e.g., a change in the transition schedule, adding new aircraft types, etc.). In order to establish the applicant's intent and approach for developing an AQP, the application should thoroughly discuss the topics in the following checklist.

A. Statement of Intent

This section of the application should address the following topics:

- a) The applicant's intent to develop, implement and operate an AQP.
- b) The general concept, approach and methodology for developing the AQP (specific methods and procedures for all steps).
- c) The general concept, approach and methodology for implementing the AQP.
- d) How and to what extent the AQP is expected to differ from a traditional training program.
- e) How the AQP will be operated and maintained.
- f) How CRM will be integrated and measured.
- g) How LOS concepts will be integrated into both evaluation and training.
- h) How existing levels of performance and safety will be met or exceeded.

B. Applicant Staff Organization

The size of the air operator's organization and the level of effort required by the air operator in developing its AQP will dictate the level of personnel man-hours required. The AQP staff can be comprised of personnel resources already existing within the organization, or with contractor support. These personnel can be used to develop an AQP in concert with their normal duties. As a general rule, the staffing and expertise of an AQP applicant's staff should consist of the following:

- a) **AQP Co-ordinator:** Management or supervisory level person who is the company focal point for its AQP development effort. This person is not only responsible for AQP leadership but will also act as the primary contact with Transport Canada and any other external organizations that may impact the air operator's AQP. Experience has shown that this position should be filled with an individual who understands the job tasks and training requirements the AQP is to address.
- b) **Subject Matter Experts (SME):** Current and qualified individuals who have varying levels of expertise that fairly represent the population of professionals the AQP will affect. The individuals must act as liaison with operational support personnel.
- c) **Document and Curriculum Developer(s):** Individual(s) who interface with the AQP Coordinator and the SMEs to develop the requisite AQP process, curriculum, and instructor and evaluator documents.
- d) **Document Managers:** Individual(s) who ensure AQP document control and congruence with Transport Canada approvals.
- e) **Computer Specialist/Database Manager:** Individual(s) who develop and manage the performance/proficiency data acquisition and analysis system. In addition, this individual could be used for other computer-related issues related to the facilitation of an AQP such as electronic document review.

C. Documentation Procedures

The prudent management of an AQP depends on an organized, coordinated and well-maintained documentation system.

The application must describe the air operator's proposed AQP documentation scheme, how changes to the documentation will be managed, and how this documentation will relate to the air operator's current traditional training program documentation.

D. Reporting Requirements

The applicant must discuss their responsibility in providing Transport Canada with performance/proficiency data, on demand, for inspection and audit purposes. The applicant must also discuss the need to provide an annual report to Transport Canada. Finally, the air operator must discuss their responsibility to respond to Transport Canada requests for information that may fall outside the auspices of an inspection/audit or annual reporting.

E. Aircraft Configuration and Performance Baseline

For each type, model, and series of aircraft (or variant) the following information shall be provided:

- a) General descriptive summary of each aircraft.
- b) Training and qualification recommendations included in the standards.
- c) Flight Crew Training Manual (FCTM)
- d) Aircraft Operations Manuals or FCOM (identify by title).

F. Operating Environment Description

Applicants should describe their operating environment, including the general physical environmental factors expected to be encountered in operations. Environmental factors are critical to the development of LOS scenarios and serve as meaningful proficiency objectives. Environmental factors include:

- a) Weather norms and extremes (e.g., minimum extremes of expected weather conditions)
- b) Normal, abnormal and emergency equipment operation.

G. Trainee Demographics

Demographic data will be part of the supporting data. This data should be updated as demographic changes warrant. This data may be provided in tabular format and must include the following:

- a) General summary data for trainee experience and entry level should be provided, by aircraft type, model, series (or variant). Entry requirements for ground and flight instructors and evaluators should be stated; e.g., previous experience working for the air operator. Students should be identified as a group in terms of previous experience (e.g., with high, low and mean experience).

NOTE: It may be desirable to create curriculum modules for more than one student entry-level population for a single duty qualification.

- b) The current and anticipated need for replacement crewmembers by duty position (throughput) should be provided.

H. Documents Governing the Applicant's Operations

A list of air operator's principal references which govern its operations. (e.g., COM, AOM, etc.)

I. Training Equipment Description

This document should list the training equipment to be used and identify the organization responsible for its security and maintenance. Flight simulators and/or FTDs should be identified by type, model, serial number, and manufacturer; or by the identification number assigned by Transport Canada. Specifically, the applicant will identify any new training equipment to be used, if known at the time of application. If qualification is required, applicants should indicate when they intend to submit a request for equipment qualification. Qualification requests will be processed in accordance with existing procedures.

J. Facilities Description

Each AQP submission should describe the facilities the applicant intends to use. These facilities may belong to an air operator or may be operated by a training centre. In either case, the applicant should briefly describe the location, general type of facility, classrooms, training aids, and other resources to be used to support AQP training.

K. Transition Plan

Each applicant will include a separate transition plan (containing a calendar of events) to accompany the cover letter. Transition from one program to another (traditional to AQP or AQP to traditional) may include a period of overlap as one program is phased in and the other phased out. This plan must cover all aircraft, flight crewmembers, instructors and evaluators. The following are guidelines for appropriate transition:

- a) Currently qualified personnel may transition between traditional recurrent training curriculum and Continuing Qualification Curriculum.
- b) Personnel who have completed Initial, Transition or Upgrade Curricula may enter a Continuing Qualification Curriculum. Personnel who have received traditional indoctrination training, but have not completed an Initial, Transition or Upgrade Curriculum may enter an AQP Qualification Curriculum.

- c) Personnel who are qualified and current instructors or evaluators may transition via an AQP Differences Course.
- d) Partial transition plans are not acceptable.
- e) The transition plan may provide for incremental implementation of Qualification and Continuing Qualification curricula in Phase IV (Initial Operations), and incremental final authorization into Phase V.

L. Program Audit Data Base (PADB) Master List

A master list of all documents in the database is required. All documents should be listed by title. The applicant may tailor the listing to include only applicable documents, or combine documents, provided prior Transport Canada authorization is obtained.

Job Task Analysis (JTA)

(Phase II Step 1)

A JTA is the method or procedure used to reduce a unit of work to its base components. The JTA provides a detailed, sequential listing of tasks, sub-tasks, and elements with the knowledge, skill, and attitude characteristics (KSAs) that clearly define and completely describe the job. An applicant will provide a JTA for each type, model, and series aircraft (or variant). These may be submitted as individual listings, or a single-higher level listing with appendices for each aircraft, showing its unique lower-level features. It also identifies characteristics such as consequence of error (Criticality), relative difficulty, and frequency of occurrence in specific operations (Currency). As a complete document, the JTA has four components: a job task list, a learning analysis (KSA), identified crew positions, and references.

A. General Hierarchy

The JTA should provide a general introduction explaining the development of the task listing and the subsequent task analysis and how it is to be used to form the basis for the Qualification Standards, and the AQP curricula upon which they are built.

An applicant will provide a Task Listing for each type, model, and series aircraft (or variant). These may be submitted as individual listings, or a single-higher level listing with appendices for each aircraft, showing the unique lower-level features.

A Task Listing is developed to include tasks, sub-tasks, and (where desired), attitudes. The Task Listing should be of sufficient scope to identify all prerequisite knowledge and skills. This can be accomplished by reference to applicable documents at the element level. In addition, the Task Listing should incorporate all knowledge and skill requirements currently specified in the regulations (e.g., Hazardous Material, Security,

Emergency equipment, etc.). The identification of Knowledge, Skills and Attitudes is referred to as KSA development.

The task listing includes the listing of phases of flight, tasks and sub-tasks only. Because this basic structure forms the backbone of the much more detailed JTA, it should be reviewed and authorized by Transport Canada before the development of the JTA.

B. Task Hierarchy

The task listing should be organized in a hierarchical fashion, with the flight phases at the top level, higher-order tasks at the next level, lower-order component sub-tasks at the next level, elements (where desired) at the next level, and applicable knowledge, skills, CRM markers, and (where desired) attitudes, in subsequent descending order. The Task Listing should include an internally consistent numbering system that represents the hierarchical order. One acceptable format is listed below:

2.1 Take-off

2.1.1 Perform Normal Take-off [Captain or First Officer].

2.1.2 Perform take-off roll [Captain or First Officer]

2.1.3 Apply appropriate take-off guidance IAW AOM Chapter X, Section XX (K)

2.1.4 Release brakes (Psychomotor Skill - PS)

2.1.5 Use nosewheel steering to remain on centreline (PS)

2.1.6 Set appropriate take-off power (PS)

2.1.7 Monitor instruments for appropriate operations (Cognitive Skill - CS)

Note: The following Acronyms are used in this JTA:

CA	Captain
FO	First Officer
K	Knowledge
PS	Psychomotor Skill
CS	Cognitive Skill
IAW	In accordance with

Another acceptable format of the Task listing, exhibiting KSAs by reference, follows:

Task Number	Task	Source	Page Number
2	TAKE-OFF		
2.1	Assess Take-off Environment	Airport Analysis Charts	as required for city
2.1	Assess Take-off Environment	Take-Off and Landing Speeds	
2.1	Assess Take-off Environment	Pilot Handbook	4-13 to 4-18
2.2	Perform Normal (Instrument) Take-off	Pilot Handbook	2-22, 2-35 to 2-37, 3-8, 6-18 to 6-20
2.3	Perform Rejected Take-off	Pilot Handbook	3-13, 6-54
2.3.1	Perform engine fire procedures before V1	Abnormal Emergency Checklist	1-B
2.3.1	Perform engine fire procedures before V1	Pilot Handbook	1-6, 6-55
2.3.2	Perform engine failure procedures before V1	Abnormal Emergency Checklist	3-B
2.3.2	Perform engine failure procedures before V1	Pilot Handbook	1-10, 6-54
2.4	Perform Take-off with Engine Failure after V1	Abnormal Emergency Checklist	3-B
2.4	Perform Take-off with Engine Failure after V1	Pilot Handbook	6-49 to 6-51

The JTA must denote the specific aircrew position, where applicable. In the example above, [Captain or First Officer] is annotated by "Perform Normal Take-off" and "Perform Take-off Roll".

C. Flight Crew Training Requirements

The Task Listing must provide task detail to the Knowledge and Skill level (Attitudes are optional). CRM factors must be included, either as part of the main Task Analysis, or as a separate CRM Task Analysis that is later integrated into the Qualification Standards and AQP curricula. The knowledge and skill descriptions may be specified by reference to one or more documents, at the element level or below. The document reference must

be of sufficient specificity to provide precise guidance in discerning the knowledge or skill description (i.e., document name, chapter, section, paragraph number, page number).

NOTE: It is only for the initial iteration of the JTA that references are made all the way down to the page number. For the Qualification Standards, and updates to the JTA, references need be made only down to the document title and section or chapter title level.

CARs Training Requirements must be addressed. The Task Analysis/Listing is the basis for Qualification Standards and Curriculum courseware development. Since AQP programs must meet or exceed the current regulatory standard of training quality, the training subjects listed below should be addressed in the Task Analysis/Listing. Deviations will be entertained on a case-by-case basis. They should be specified either as specific Knowledge and Skills required for the execution of sub-tasks or elements, or by reference at the element or KSA level.

Aircraft Systems' Subjects (as applicable to aircraft type):

- Aircraft General.
- Equipment and Furnishings.
- Emergency Equipment.
- Powerplants.
- Electrical.
- Pneumatic.
- Air-conditioning and Pressurization.
- Ice and Rain Protection.
- APU.
- Hydraulics.
- Landing Gear and Brakes.
- Flight Controls.
- Fuel.
- Communications Equipment.

- Flight Instruments.
- Navigation Equipment.
- Autoflight.
- Warning and Detection Systems (to include TCAS, GPWS, and WX Radar).
- Fire and Overheat Protection.
- Oxygen.
- Aircraft Performance General System-Operations Integration Training.
- AOM or FCOM or AFM Content and/or SOPs.

System-Operations Integration Training:

- Pre-flight Visual Inspection.
- Pre-start Checklist and Procedures.
- Powerplant Start.
- Taxi to include lowest visibility allowed by OP SECS.
- Pre-Take-off Checks and Procedures.
- Normal Take-off.
- Crosswind Take-off.
- Instrument Take-off (Low Visibility).
- Powerplant Failure on Take-off (at or near V1).
- Powerplant Failure After V2.
- Rejected Take-off.
- Area Departure.
- Cruise Procedures.
- Holding.

- Area Arrival.
- Normal ILS.
- Engine-out ILS.
- Autopilot-Coupled ILS.
- Non-precision Approach.
- ILS missed Approach.
- Second Missed Approach.
- Precision Radar Monitored Approaches/Missed.
- Circling Approach.
- No-flap Landing.
- Crosswind Landing.
- Landing With Engine Out.
- Landing From Circling Approach.
- Rejected Landing.
- Landing With 50% Power Loss.
- Approaches to Stalls.
- Steep Turns.
- Powerplant Failure.
- Wind shear Training.
- Mis-trimmed Situations/Trim Runaway.
- Selected Events - Unusual Attitudes.
- TCAS and GPWS –Escape.
- Normal and Abnormal Procedures.

- Emergency Procedures.

COM Content, as applicable:

- Company Policy or Procedures (dispatch and flight release requirements).
- Regulations, Operations Specifications, and SOPs.
- Weather Requirements (seasonal changes, flight into various geographic locations and temperatures).
- Hazardous Material.
- Security (to include Hijack Procedures).
- Special Operations (special airports, special approaches and departures).
- Emergency crew assigned duties and procedures.
- Operation of emergency equipment/systems.
- Operation of ditching and evacuation equipment/systems.
- CRM.
- Emergency Situation Training - Rapid Decompression, Fire in Flight or on the surface, and smoke control procedures.
- Assistance of Persons to Exits during Emergency.
- Illness, Injury, or Other Abnormal Situations Involving Passengers or Crew (to include use of medical kit).
- Flight Physiology (i.e., Hypoxia, Respiration, etc.).
- Use of Checklist.
- Cockpit Familiarization.
- Pre-flight Planning and FMS.
- In-flight Planning LNAV, VNAV, and GPS.
- Required Navigation Procedures.

- Navigation Systems Integration.
- Autoflight and Flight Director Integration.
- Use of Radar/CRTs.
- TCAS/ACAS.
- GPWS/TAWS.
- Communication Systems Integration (ACARS/FMS/CPDLC).
- Surface Movement Guidance Systems (SMGS).
- Runway Incursion Prevention Strategy.
- Stabilized Approach Strategy.
- Precision Radar Monitoring (PRM) Procedures.
- Land and Hold Short (LAHSO) / Simultaneous Intersecting Runway Operations (SIRO) Procedures.
- CAT II/III operations.

Qualification Standards

(Phase II Step 2)

The Qualification Standards document is the single most important document of any AQP. It provides the complete curriculum baseline. As such, it will be all-inclusive in specifying the foundational aspects of the content and execution of the AQP curriculum.

The Qualification Standards document has four parts. These are:

- a) Prologue.
- b) Regulatory Requirements Comparison.
- c) Testing/Validation/Evaluation & Remediation Methodology.
- d) The Qualification Standard.

Each part is described in detail below:

A. Prologue

This is an introductory section that explains the methodology, format, and terminology of the document.

The intent of the Qualification Standards Prologue is to provide the background information so that a reader of the Qualification Standard, who is not intimately familiar with its development, could comprehend how the AQP compares to existing training requirements and how the development and implementation of the AQP curricula relate to the Qualification Standards. It is important to note that the Qualification Standards serves as the definitive basis for the training program. Therefore, the Prologue to the Qualification Standards should be comprehensive and understandable so that a reader can discern the scope and appropriateness of the training. In addition, any aspect of the curriculum, from curriculum outline to lesson topics or grade sheet items should be traceable to some item in the Qualification Standard.

The following are topics that the Prologue should address:

- a) The Prologue must discuss the methodology used to develop the Qualification Standards document.
- b) The explanation of methodology must show how any aspect, from curriculum outline to lessons topics or grade sheets, is to be traceable to an item in the Qualification Standard.
- c) The Prologue must discuss the format (structure) that is used for the Qualification Standards.
- d) The Prologue must define terms used for the Qualification Standards.

B. Regulatory Requirements Comparison

The Qualification Standards document must also include regulatory comparison information. The comparison must show how the AQP will address the requirements of the CARs/CASS, as applicable. The comparison should be both comprehensive and clearly understandable. It must allow the reader to easily discern the scope and appropriateness of the training and checking activities.

The following individual issues must be addressed:

- a) The Regulatory Requirements Comparison must specify the requirements of the CARs/CASS and show how they will be addressed in an AQP.
- b) All departures from traditional requirements must be identified and justified.

- c) Any Qualification Standards specifications that are at variance from Schedule I, II or III as applicable must be explained.

C. Testing/Validation/Evaluation & Remediation Methodology

This section is a detailed plan describing the point in the curriculum when a test, validation, or evaluation will be applied. It must identify what constitutes a failure and/or unsatisfactory performance. This section will also describe the remediation strategy to be used to correct unsatisfactory performance and special tracking provisions.

Most objectives will be validated using one of the following methods:

- a) In a train to proficiency context;
- b) As part of MV and/or LOE; or
- c) During OEs.

One common variant of this approach is to divide the Qualification Curriculum into four evaluation gates: SKV, PV, MV, and LOE. While the specific strategy assignment for each individual Qualification Standard will be spelled out in the body of the text, this strategy provides a general discussion of the types of evaluations and the rationale for selecting and assigning evaluation strategies to Qualification Standards.

The following individual issues must be addressed:

- a) A detailed plan for describing how evaluation is accomplished throughout each curriculum is contained in this section. It describes how, when, where and who will assess a candidate's proficiency on each Terminal and Supporting Objective.
- b) The points in the curriculum where the testing, validation or evaluation will be applied are identified. These will include: SKV, PV, MV, LOE, and OE.
- c) Clear definitions of the different strategies that will be used to test, validate or evaluate performance will be provided. These will include: First Look, Train to Proficiency, SKV, PV, MV, LOE, and OE.
- d) A description of how the "criticality" and "currency" ratings translate into testing strategies for TPOs and SPOs in the Continuing Qualification Cycle will be included.
- e) This section will describe how a TPO with several SPOs may be alternatively sampled over multiple evaluation periods of Continuing Qualification Cycles. e.g., TPO (Non-Precision Approaches) SPOs (Non Directional Beacon (NDB), VOR, BC, etc.).

- f) A clear description of the rating scale that will be used by instructor and evaluator to score performance will be included. Rating scale definitions must clearly discriminate various performance levels.
- g) The defining criteria for a failure and/or unsatisfactory performance for each validation/evaluation point will be identified.
- h) A discussion of the commensurate remediation strategy that would be employed (i.e., special tracking, etc.) in the event of a failure will be included.
- i) The description of remediation strategy must detail ‘when’ and ‘what’ must be repeated and whether or not additional training is warranted.
- j) The description of remediation strategy will also detail the methodology that will be used to remediate unsuccessful test, validation or evaluation sessions.
- k) For circumstances when no more training will be offered to the individual, the remediation strategy must specify and the resulting actions such as “Referred to Director of Training”. “Returned to previous position”, etc.
- l) Remediation strategy must describe the criteria for placing an individual on “Special Tracking”. It must also detail the strategy used for these individuals while they have this status. Finally, it will describe what must take place for an individual to be removed from Special Tracking.
- m) The level of training devices, simulator or aircraft to be used to evaluate the proficiency objectives at each point in the curriculum will be described.

D. Qualification Standards

The Qualification Standard is constructed by applying a performance statement, conditions, and standards to a task or sub-task, thereby creating a TPO or an SPO.

The following items will be included for each individual Qualification Standard.

- a) Header identifying the air operator and the document.
- b) Page revision control dates and revision numbers.
- c) Consecutive page numbers.
- d) Phase of Flight: Number and Title from Task Listing.
- e) Qualification Standard Title: Either TPOs or SPOs.

- f) Task or Sub-task: Number and Title From Task Listing.
- g) Crew Duty Positions.
- h) Criticality/Currency Rating: From Task Factors Analysis.
- i) Curriculum: This field identifies the curriculum in which the task will be trained and evaluated.
- j) Evaluation Strategy: The validation or evaluation point for this particular Qualification Standard: e.g. train to proficiency, PV, MV, LOE, or OE.
- k) Media: The specific media in which training and/or evaluation will be conducted. For Qualification, the media is the lowest media used for final evaluation. For Continuing Qualification, the media is the range of media used for training.
- l) Performance Statement: An expanded statement of expected behaviour, which, when executed, will complete the work required for a specific portion of a job.
- m) Conditions: The applicable conditions and combinations thereof that will be addressed in training and/or evaluation. If this Qualification Standard is applicable to both the Qualification Curriculum and Continuing Qualification Curriculum, annotate those conditions that the task will be evaluated with for Qualification/Certification. The Qualification Standard should (1) indicate those specific conditions to be trained and tested as part of the Qualification Curriculum, and (2) provide a more exhaustive listing of conditions over which flight crewmembers will be trained and tested during the course of successive Continuing Qualification Cycles.
- n) Contingencies: The specific contingencies to be used for the Qualification Curriculum.
- o) Standards: The standards that will apply for training to proficiency and/or evaluation of proficiency. These standards are usually organized under the headings of **Manoeuvre Standards** and **Procedural Standards**. Manoeuvre Standards should be relatively specific and resemble the standards listed in the Schedule I, II or III as applicable. The Procedural Standards are usually more general and may reference information in a document or manual. The reference should be specific to chapter or section but does not require page number.
- p) References: Identify the primary references from which performance statements and associated standards were derived. Cite documents by title and where applicable, chapter or section. Page numbers are not required.

There is a difference between the Qualification Standard requirements for a Qualification Curriculum and the requirements for a Continuing Qualification curriculum. The

Terminal Level and Supporting Level Tasks in a Qualification Standard for a Qualification Curriculum must identify the specific set of conditions to be employed in training and evaluating a task. In addition, the media description will describe the specific media in which the task will receive final evaluation. In contrast, the Terminal Level and Supporting Level Tasks in a Qualification Standard for a Continuing Qualification Curriculum may identify a selectable menu of conditions to be employed in training or evaluation, and a media range that will specify the minimum media level in which the task may be trained. Because of this difference, applicants may find it more convenient to submit separate Qualification Standards documents for Qualification and Continuing Qualification. However, the Qualification Standards for both of these Curricula can be combined in one document as long as the differences in conditions and media are addressed, and the tasks are annotated for applicable curricula.

Some Qualification Standards may be “aircraft generic” in that they may apply to more than one aircraft type. For ease of use and definition of “fleet common” curricula, applicants may also find it convenient to specify these Qualification Standards separately from those Qualification Standards that apply to only one aircraft fleet type.

For the instructor and evaluator Qualification Standards, the document must adequately address the role of instructor and evaluator. This means that the instructor and evaluator process must be specified in adequate detail to include a description of who will administer the instructor and evaluator evaluations, how often they are administered, and what is evaluated. Applicants must provide sample-grading forms.

Instructional Systems Development Methodology

(Phase II Step 3)

The ISD Methodology document describes the approach to be used by applicant air operators to develop and maintain all AQP curricula. This document is divided into two sections:

- a) Development Procedures; and
- b) Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Methodology.

A. Development Procedures

This section describes the procedure for using the JTA and Qualification Standards as baseline documents to construct their training curricula. This involves allocating objectives to lessons, selecting media and methods, and developing the curricula. It explains the basis for grouping lessons into modules, modules into segments, and segments into a curriculum.

The following individual issues must be addressed:

- a) The procedure for allocating TPOs and SPOs to lessons, selecting media and methods, as well as developing curricula is described here.
- b) A description of how EOs are developed to support their higher end objectives is included.
- c) This section contains a description of how learning and evaluation activities are developed to support these objectives.
- d) The assignment of instructional media and methods is described.
- e) The method for clustering and sequencing objectives into lessons, modules, segments and curricula is described.
- f) A method for developing an audit trail will be described. This will link proficiency objectives, lesson activities/content and test items.

B. Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Development Methodology

This document describes the approach for developing LOS scenarios. This includes the methodology used for LOFT, LOE and SPOT development.

The following individual aspects must be included:

- a) The method for constructing a typical scenario.
- b) An explanation of how each event set relates to a phase of operation.
- c) A description of how each event set consists of a series of proficiency objectives that include both technical and CRM activities.
- d) A description of the use of event conditions, triggers and distracters, as well as supporting events.
- e) An explanation of how the applicant will identify possible sources of incidents that will elicit the behaviour required by the proficiency objectives for the scenario.
- f) Definitions of the basic success criteria for the LOS, and each event set within it, must be included.

- g) The applicant must define the scenario development process in terms of the following issues:
 - i) An explanation of who will do the work of drafting the scenarios.
 - ii) How grade sheets will be used.
 - iii) Who will be involved with testing the scenarios.
 - iv) How instructors and evaluators will be trained to administer LOS scenarios.

AQP Curriculum Outline

(Phase II Step 4)

Curriculum Outlines are required for each of the two primary curricula (Qualification and Continuing Qualification) and any specialized secondary curricula (Requalification, Transition, Upgrade, etc.) for every duty position in each type, model, and series/variant aircraft (refer to Chapter 3).

The Curriculum Outline is a listing of course content. It should be arranged from curriculum into segments, segments into modules, modules into lessons, and lessons into elements or topics. Each part of the Curriculum Outline must clearly indicate the subject matter to be taught and correspond directly to the hierarchical system of the task analysis. A Curriculum Outline provides the basis for the Curriculum Footprint, which is a high level graphical overview of the curriculum content depicting the training and evaluation activities and the proposed hours for each day of the curriculum.

To maintain appropriate oversight of the curriculum, the Curriculum Outline provides a sufficient level of detail and will allow the AQP applicant to make changes to the syllabus without submitting a new syllabus document for each syllabus change.

A. Curriculum Outline

The following aspects must be addressed:

- a) Qualification and Continuing Qualification curricula are required for each duty position in each aircraft type, model and series/variant.
- b) Separate Qualification and Continuing Qualification curricula are required for instructors and evaluators.
- c) Special curricula are required for Transition, Upgrade, Requalification and Refresher.

- d) Each curriculum must be constructed in the following order: Curriculum, segment, module, lesson, and lesson element or topic.
- e) The curriculum outline must provide a level of detail that will allow the AQP applicant to make changes to the syllabus without submitting a new document for each syllabus change.
- f) The Curriculum Outline must be part of a revision control system. This will be indicated by page format.
- g) Curriculum Outlines must provide a hierarchical link (proficiency objectives) between the Qualification Standards and a curriculum.
- h) Each part of the Curriculum Outline must clearly indicate the subject matter to be taught and correspond directly to the hierarchical numbering system of the Task Analysis.
- i) Each Curriculum Outline must include the following:
 - i) Air Operator's Name.
 - ii) Type of Aircraft.
 - iii) Duty Position(s).
 - iv) Title of curriculum and/or curriculum segment.
 - v) A listing of numbered (coded) objectives organized into lessons, modules and segments. Numbers (codes) must allow Transport Canada to track objectives back to Qualification Standards and JTA.
 - vi) An outline of each training module within each curriculum segment. Each module should contain sufficient detail to ensure that the main features of the principal elements or events will be addressed during instruction.
- j) The checking and qualification modules of the Qualification Curriculum segment used to determine successful course completion, including any additional CARs qualification requirements for flight crewmembers to be employed in their respective CARs Part VII operations (e.g., line indoctrination, OEs, route and aerodrome qualifications, etc.).
- k) The applicant will document the analysis results of curriculum entry and minimum prerequisite requirements for each curriculum. Examples include: prior glass cockpit experience, prior instructor experience, flight experience, time away from performing duties, etc.

B. Curriculum Footprint

This section provides a graphical depiction of the curriculum content overview in relation to the number of days and proposed hours on a daily basis. For a sample AQP Qualification footprint, see chapter 3.

The following issues must be addressed:

- a) The Curriculum Footprint must describe the training and evaluation activities conducted each day of the curriculum.
- b) The Curriculum Footprint must include planned hours.

Implementation and Operations Plan

(Phase II Step 4)

This document summarizes the analysis of the training requirements for implementing and operating the AQP. The Implementation and Operations Plan now includes the following sections:

A. The Implementation and Operations Guidance and Policy

This section will include the following topics:

- a) **Curriculum Schedule:** This section includes proposed schedules for the implementation of the AQP curricula.
- b) **Phase III Curriculum Evaluation Strategy:** This section describes the plan and schedule for the evaluation of facilities, courseware, equipment, students, instructors, evaluators, and performance measurement techniques. The plan normally includes provisions for small group try-outs of all new courseware, software, and equipment. Applicants who wish to provide no-jeopardy credit for their small group try-out course graduates must request authorization to do so in a separate letter addressed to the National Operations Branch, Airlines Division (AAROA) or the regional Commercial & Business Aviation operational oversight division, as appropriate. The air operator's Quality Assurance team will be assembled in order to provide Quality Assurance activities and oversight of the program.
- c) **AQP Maintenance Strategy for Phases IV and V:** This section describes quality control procedures; i.e., plans for acquiring and measuring data for tracking curricula, students, instructors, and Evaluator performance. It also includes the strategy to be employed for curriculum maintenance and update. Maintenance includes the methodology for maintaining control of the AQP

approval documents, maintaining curriculum currency, upgrading equipment, monitoring and responding to demographic changes, and for using training/evaluation feedback to maintain and improve the AQP.

- d) **First-Look Activity Administration Strategy:** To maintain the validity of the performance and proficiency data obtained from the performance of the First-Look activities, this section must describe the strategy employed for those activities. This strategy must describe how the candidates will not be provided with information or techniques on these activities prior to the first execution of these activities that would unduly improve their performance if provided prior assistance. In addition, this strategy should discuss when in the training program the activities would occur and under what circumstances the activities would be updated.
- e) **Crew Scheduling and Pairing Strategy:** A basic tenant of AQP is to maximize the training and evaluation of professionals in a pairing or crew configuration as they would perform those duties in their typical job environment. Although the AQP applicant must make every effort to schedule and pair professionals in a typical crew configuration or pairing (e.g., a Captain with a First Officer), situations will arise where non-standard professional pairings will arise. This section must address the procedures used to ensure appropriate training and evaluation will occur with a non-standard crew composition.
- f) **Instructor and Evaluator/Mentor Requirements:** The description of Instructor, Evaluator and Mentor requirements must include a schedule for AQP Instructor, Evaluator and Mentor qualification. This schedule should identify both differences training for existing instructors and evaluators, and the time frame by which a full AQP course will be completed for future Instructors and Evaluators.

B. Data Plan

Before an air operator can proceed with data collection and analysis, they must establish a plan. The plan must address the intended purpose, collection methods, management, analysis and reporting of AQP training/evaluation data. This plan must be thorough and maintained to accurately reflect the air operator's PPDB system. The air operator must also realize its responsibility to collect and analyze sufficient data in order to adequately identify performance trends and required changes. Refer to Chapter 6 for more specific guidance on AQP Data Collection, Management, Analysis and Reporting.

The Data Plan will include the following topics:

- a) **Data Acquisition:** This plan should address the methods used to collect performance/proficiency data for all curricula. The rationale for employing a particular method will be described. Examples of the data input medium (i.e.,

grade sheets, computer-input screens, etc.) will be provided. In addition, the data collection method should address data input quality control, security and usability.

- b) **Data Base and User Interface Management:** This plan should discuss how the air operator intends to store, access, and assimilate the performance/proficiency data that is collected. This discussion will include:
 - i) The type of software data management system employed (i.e. relational database, spreadsheet, etc.);
 - ii) The organization of the information in the electronic medium (i.e., database definition, database table relationships, spreadsheet description, etc.); and
 - iii) A description of the user interface to this data management system.
- c) **Data Analysis:** The air operator must discuss the type of analysis it will employ to facilitate their own performance information needs as well as the performance information needs of Transport Canada. This discussion must address how each type of data will be analyzed.
- d) **Data Reporting:** This part of the Data Plan must discuss Transport Canada's data reporting requirements. Format and frequency must be specified. In addition, it should discuss the type of data reporting that will be employed. It will include examples of the various report types (e.g. tabular reports, graphs). An explanation of duties of various air operator personnel must be provided. Finally, the requirement to provide Transport Canada with access to pilot performance/proficiency data for inspection and audit purposes must be highlighted.
- e) **Data Acquisition/Grading Forms:** This section will include examples of all forms used for data acquisition and grading.
- f) **Database Structure:** This section will include a description of data field types and a graphical depiction of the database table relationships.
- g) **Data Quality Assurance Plan:** This section will describe the quality assurance plan for data acquisition. The plan to assure data integrity and reliability and the plan for instructor and evaluator grading calibration will be described.

Appendix C - AQP DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST AND REVIEW JOB AID TABLES

This AQP tool contains seven job aids for both TC and the certificate holder to use as simplified checklists for the development and review of the documentation requirements of AQP. Other document configurations may be appropriate to a specific certificate holder. If a certificate holder adopts a different document configuration, other than the one suggested in the attachment to Policy Letter 169, then the applicant should provide clear and specific guidance as to the location of the information for each of these document topics. Certificate holders should include specific references where information can be found which addresses each item. The comment section may be used to record any remarks relative to the review and approval status of the document.

There are six document types and one annual report required for each AQP certificate holder. Each document will have its own job aid:

1. Application – One per AQP air operator
2. Job Task Analysis – One for each trainee type and one for each trainee type's instructor/evaluators
3. Qualification Standards – One for each trainee type and one for each trainee type's instructor/evaluators
 4. Instructional Systems Development Methodology – One per AQP air operator
 5. Curriculum Outline – One per curriculum/make, model, series, variant and instructor/evaluator
6. Implementation and Operations Plan (I&O Plan) – One per AQP air operator

NOTE: Each of the above documents must remain current throughout the life of the AQP. Each of the documents must utilize a revision control process.

Annual AQP Report – Certificate holders will monitor the status of all AQP curricula and the performance/proficiency Data Base and will summarize their findings annually in a report to TC. Although there is no established format for the report, the associated job aid highlights areas that should be addressed.

Application, Phase I. The purpose of the application is to establish the applicant’s methodology for developing an AQP for all of its fleets, their instructors and evaluators. The application is submitted once and is updated as information in the application changes (e.g., a change in the transition schedule, adding new aircraft, etc.). In order to establish the applicant’s intent and approach for developing an AQP, the application should thoroughly discuss the following topics numbered 1 – 9 in this job aid.

1	Statement of Intent	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the Statement of Intent specify the applicant’s intent to develop, implement, and operate an AQP?			
	b. Does the Statement of Intent address all fleets?			
	c. Does the Statement of Intent address how and to what extent the AQP will be operated and maintained?			
	d. Does the Statement of Intent address how CRM will be integrated and measured?			
	e. Does the Statement of Intent address how LOS concepts will be integrated into both training and evaluation?			
2	The Applicant’s Staff Organization	Y	N	Comments
	a. AQP Coordination: Is a person identified that will be the focal point for the applicant’s AQP development and contact with TC?			
	b. Subject Matter Expertise (SME): Are current and qualified individuals identified by name or position, who have varying levels of expertise that fairly represent the population of professionals the AQP will address?			
	c. Document and Curriculum Development: Are individual(s) identified by name or position, who interface with the AQP coordinator and the SMEs to develop the requisite AQP process, curriculum, and instructor/evaluator documents?			

	d. Document Management: Is an individual identified, who ensures AQP document control and congruence with TC approvals?			
	e. Computer Specialist/Database Management: Is an individual identified who will develop and manage the performance/proficiency data acquisition and analysis system?			
	f. In addition, will the computer specialist/database manager be used for other computer-related issues related to the facilitation of an AQP, such as electronic document review?			
3	Data Collection, Submission and Analysis Reporting	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant acknowledge their understanding and acceptance of the AQP performance data requirements by stating the intended purpose for the collection, management, analysis, and reporting of AQP training/evaluation data for each curriculum?			
	b. Does the applicant defer to the I&O plan for describing the process and methodology for AQP data collection and analysis?			
	c. Does the applicant acknowledge that an electronic data management system will be developed prior to entering phase III of any AQP curriculum?			
	d. Does the applicant acknowledge that requirement for submitting de-identified data to TC no later than 2 months after collecting the data?			
	e. Does the applicant acknowledge the requirement of a more stringent collection and analysis of the data than that submitted to TC?			
	f. Does the applicant describe the purpose of the data analysis and how it will be used?			

	g. Does the applicant acknowledge the requirement for submitting an annual AQP report summarizing their data analysis and any resulting changes that ensued in their AQP program?			
4	Supporting Documents and Manuals	Y	N	Comments
	a. Do the supporting documents and manuals list each make, model, and series aircraft or variant?			
	b. Has the applicant provided TC with the following documents or manuals:			
	1. A current listing of company and manufacturers manuals that govern company operations?			
	2. General descriptive summary of each aircraft type, including aircraft configuration and the performance baseline?			
	3. Flight Crew Operations Manual (FCOM)?			
	4. Company Operations Manual (COM)?			
	5. Manufacturer's Aircraft Flight Manual (AFM)?			
	6. Master Equipment List (MEL/CDL)?			
	c. Does the applicant have available the training and qualification recommendations in the Flight Standards Board reports where applicable?			
5	Operating Environment Description	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant describe the operating environment, including the general meteorological and geographic factors expected to be encountered during operations?			
	b. Does this description include the weather norms and extremes expected to be encountered in operations?			
	c. Does this description include normal, abnormal, and emergency equipment operation in geographic areas that require special procedures (e.g., engine failures in mountainous terrain)?			

	d. Does this description include terminal and enroute operating areas such as controlled and uncontrolled airfields?			
6	Trainee Demographics	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant provide a general summary of trainee experience and entry level by aircraft make, model, series or variant?			
	b. Does the applicant identify entry requirements for ground and flight instructors and evaluators?			
	c. Does the applicant group students in terms of previous experience (e.g. with high, low and mean experience included)?			
	d. Does the applicant identify the current and anticipated need for replacement crewmembers by duty position? This information is necessary to determine priority on curriculum development.			
7	Training Equipment – Description and Location	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant identify the training equipment to be used, its location, and identify the organization (vendor or applicant) responsible for its security and maintenance?			
	b. Does the applicant identify flight simulators and/or flight-training devices by make, model, serial number, and/or TC identification number?			
8	Facilities Description	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant describe the location, general type of facility, classrooms, training aids, course software, and other resources to be used to support AQP training?			
9	Master AQP Transition Schedule (MATS)	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the MATS include all aircraft, aircrew, instructors and evaluators that the applicant intends to transition to AQP?			

	b. Is the MATS complete? A partial MATS is not acceptable.			
	c. Does the MATS address how currently qualified personnel may transition between traditional recurrent training & continuing qualification curricula?			A simple spreadsheet, provided by the applicant, may be helpful to highlight the crew pairing requirements during the first year of AQP operations.
	d. Does the MATS address how personnel who have completed initial, transition or upgrade curricula may enter a continuing qualification curriculum?			
	e. Does the MATS address personnel who have completed a traditional basic indoctrination curriculum, but have not completed an initial, transition or upgrade curriculum?			
	f. Does the MATS address personnel who are current instructors or evaluators and how they may transition to AQP via a differences course?			
	g. Does the MATS address the incremental implementation of the curricula as opposed to all at once?			
	h. Does the MATS provide the time frame necessary to withdraw from AQP if it becomes necessary to revert to the applicable CARS Part VII training program?			

Job Task Analysis (JTA), Phase II. A JTA is the method or procedure used to reduce a unit of work to its base components. The JTA provides a detailed, sequential listing of tasks, subtasks, and elements with the knowledge, skill, and attitude characteristics (KSAs) that clearly define and completely describe the job. An applicant will provide a JTA for each make, model, and series aircraft (or variant). These may be submitted as individual listings, or a single-higher level listing with appendices for each aircraft, showing its unique lower-level features. As a complete document, the JTA has four components: a job task list, a learning analysis (KSA), identified crew positions, and references.

1	JTA Structure	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the JTA provide a general introduction explaining the development of the task listing and the subsequent task analysis and how it is to be used to form the basis for the qualification standards, and the AQP curricula upon which they are built?			
	b. Is the JTA organized using a hierarchical system with the flight phases at the top level, tasks at the next level, component subtasks at the next level, elements at the next level?			
	c. Is the JTA complete with tasks, subtasks, elements, and crew positions?			
	d. Has the applicant completed full development of the JTA to the element level?			
	e. In the JTA, are applicable knowledge, skills, CRM markers, and (where desired) attitudes applied at the element level?			
2	Flight Crew Training Requirements	Y	N	Comments
	Does the JTA incorporate all knowledge and skill requirements currently specified in the regulations?			
	a. Aircraft Systems' Subjects			
	Aircraft General			
	Equipment and Furnishings			
	Emergency Equipment			
	Powerplants			
	Electrical			
	Pneumatic			

	Air conditioning and Pressurization			
	APU			
	Hydraulics			
	Landing Gear and Brakes			
	Flight Controls			
	Fuel			
	Communications Equipment			
	Flight Instruments			
	Navigation Equipment			
	Autoflight			
	Warning and Detection Systems (to include TCAS/ACAS, GPWS/TAWS, and Weather Radar)			
	Fire and Overheat Protection			
	Oxygen			
	Aircraft Performance & Limitations			
	MEL/CDL			
	b. System-Operations Integration Training			
	Pre-flight Visual Inspection			
	Pre-start Checklist and Procedures			
	Powerplant Start			
	Taxi to include lowest visibility allowed by OPS SPECS			
	Pre-Takeoff Checks and Procedures			
	Normal Takeoff			
	Crosswind Takeoff			
	Instrument Takeoff (Low Visibility)			
	Powerplant Failure on Takeoff (at or near V1)			
	Powerplant Failure After V2			
	Rejected Takeoff			
	Area Departure			
	Cruise Procedures			
	Holding			
	Area Arrival			
	RNAV, RNP, SAAAR			
	Normal ILS			
	Engine-out ILS			
	Autopilot-Coupled ILS – CAT II/III			
	Non-precision Approach			
	ILS missed Approach			
	Second Missed Approach			

	Precision Radar Monitored Approaches/Missed			
	Circling Approach			
	No-flap Landing			
	Crosswind Landing			
	Landing With Engine Out			
	Landing From Circling Approach			
	Rejected Landing			
	Landing With 50% Power Loss			
	Approaches to Stalls			
	Steep Turns			
	Powerplant Failure			
	Windshear Training			
	Mis-Trim Situations / Trim Runaway			
	Selected Events - Unusual Attitudes			
	TCAS and GPWS - Escape			
	Normal and Abnormal Procedures			
	Emergency Procedures			
	c. Company Operations Manual Content			
	Company Policy or Procedures (dispatch and flight release requirements)			
	Regulations, Operations Specifications, and Standards Operating Procedures (SOP)			
	Weather Requirements (seasonal changes, flight into various geographic locations and temperature-related requirements)			
	Hazardous Material			
	Security			
	Special Operations (special airports, special approaches and departures)			
	Emergency crew-assigned duties and procedures			
	Operation of emergency equipment/systems			
	Operation of ditching/evacuation equipment/systems			
	Crew Resource Management (CRM)			
	Emergency Situation Training – Rapid Depressurization, Fire (in flight/on ground), and Smoke Control Procedures			

	Assistance of Persons to Exits during an Emergency			
	Illness, Injury, or Other Abnormal Situations Involving Passengers or Crew (use of medical kit)			
	Flight Physiology (i.e., Hypoxia, Respiration, etc.)			
	Use of Checklist (SOP)			
	Cockpit Familiarization			
	Preflight Planning and FMS			
	In-flight Planning: LNAV, VNAV, RNAV and GPS			
	Required Navigation Procedures			
	Navigation Systems Integration			
	Autoflight and Flight Director Integration			
	Use of Radar/CRTs			
	TCAS/ACAS			
	GPWS/TAWS			
	Communication Systems Integration (ACARS/FMS/CPDLC)			
	Surface Movement Guidance Systems (SMGS)			
	Runway Incursion Prevention Strategy			
	Stabilized Approach Strategy			
	Precision Radar Monitoring (PRM) Procedures			
	Land and Hold Short (LAHSO) Procedures / Simultaneous Intersecting Runway operations (SIRO)			
	CAT II/III			

Qualification Standards (QS), Phase II. The qualification standards document has four parts: The prologue, a regulatory comparison, the evaluation/remediation methodology, and the specific terminal proficiency objectives (TPO)/supporting proficiency objectives (SPO) qualification standard.

1. Prologue: This is an introductory section that explains the methodology, format, and terminology of the document.
2. Regulatory Requirements Comparison: The qualification standards document must also include regulatory comparison information. The comparison must meet the requirement of AQP regulatory guidance, which states that the AQP program must indicate specifically the requirements of CARS Parts IV, VI and VII, as applicable, that would be replaced by an AQP curriculum. The comparison should be comprehensive and understandable so that a reader can discern the scope and appropriateness of the training.
3. Testing/Validation/Evaluation & Remediation Methodology: This section is a detailed plan describing the point in the curriculum when a test, validation, or evaluation will be applied. It must identify what constitutes a failure and/or unsatisfactory performance. This section will also describe the remediation strategy to be used to correct unsatisfactory performance and special tracking provisions.
4. The Qualification Standard: The qualification standard is constructed by applying a performance statement, conditions, and standards to a task or subtask, thereby creating a TPO or an SPO.

1	Qualification Standards Prologue	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the prologue discuss the methodology used to develop the qualification standards document?			
	b. Does the methodology explain how any aspect, from curriculum outline to lesson elements or grade sheet items, is to be traceable to an item in the qualification standard?			
	c. Does the prologue discuss the format (structure) that is used for the qualification standards?			
	d. Does the prologue define terms used for the qualification standards?			

2	Regulatory Comparison	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the regulatory comparison specify the requirements of the applicable flight check standards and CARS Parts IV, VI and VII that would be replaced by an AQP curriculum and how they will be addressed?			
	b. Are departures from those requirements identified and justified?			
	c. Are any standards specifications used that differ from flight check standards?			
3	Testing/Validation/Evaluation & Remediation Methodology	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant describe where to ascertain how, when, where, and who will assess a student's proficiency on each terminal and supporting objective?			
	b. Does this section identify the points in the curriculum where the testing, validation, or evaluation will be applied?			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systems Knowledge Validation 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedures Validation 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manoeuvres Validation 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOE 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OE 			
	c. Does the applicant clearly define the different strategies that will be used to test, validate, or evaluate performance?			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Look 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Train To Proficiency 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Systems Knowledge Validation 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedures Validation 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manoeuvres Validation 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOE 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial OE 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OE 			
	d. Does this section describe how the criticality and currency ratings translate into testing strategies for TPOs and SPOs in the continuing qualification cycle?			

e. Does this section describe how a TPO with several SPOs may be alternatively sampled over multiple evaluation periods or continuing qualification cycles? e.g., TPO (non-Precision Approaches) and corresponding SPOs (NDB, VOR, BC, etc.)			
f. Does the applicant specify and clearly describe the rating scale that will be used by instructors/evaluators to score performance?			
g. Do the rating scale definitions clearly discriminate performance levels? Are they clear?			
h. Does the applicant identify what constitutes a failure and/or unsatisfactory performance for each validation/evaluation point?			
i. Does the applicant specify the strategy for remedying unsatisfactory performance?			
j. Does this remediation strategy detail when and what may be repeated and whether or not additional training is warranted?			
k. Does the applicant describe the methodology that will be used to remediate unsuccessful testing, validation, or evaluation sessions?			
l. Does the applicant describe the level of training devices, simulators, or aircraft to be used to evaluate the proficiency objective at each point in the curriculum?			
m. Does the remediation strategy specify when no more training will be offered to the individual and the resulting actions such as “Referred to Director of Training,” “returned to previous position,” etc.?			
n. Does the remediation strategy describe the criteria for placing an individual on special tracking?			

	o. Does the remediation strategy describe the strategy that will be used for an individual on special tracking?			
	p. Does the remediation strategy describe what must take place for an individual to be removed from special tracking?			
4	Qualification Standards	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does each individual qualification standard contain the following:			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A header identifying the air operator and the document? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Page revision control dates and revision numbers? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consecutive page numbers? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase of Operations: Number and title from task listing? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualification Standard Title: Either TPOs or SPOs? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task or Subtask: Number and title from task listing? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crew duty positions? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criticality/Currency Rating: From the task factors analysis? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curriculum: This field identifies the curriculum(s) in which the task will be trained and evaluated. 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation Strategy: The evaluation point for this particular qualification standard: e.g., train to proficiency, procedures validation, manoeuvres validation, LOE, or OE? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media: The specific media in which training and/or evaluation will be conducted? (For qualification, the media is the lowest media used for final evaluation. For continuing qualification, the media is the range of media used for training.) 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Statement: An expanded statement of expected behaviour, which, when executed, will complete the work required for a specific portion of a job? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conditions operational and environmental? Are the specific conditions to be used for the qualification curriculum specified? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contingencies: Are the specific contingencies to be used for the qualification curriculum specified? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manoeuvre Standards: Are they specific and do they correspond to the standards listed in the flight check standards? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedural Standards: They may be specific or general. If they are specific, do they correspond to the standards listed in the manuals listed in the reference block? If general, do they reference information in a document or manual to chapter or section (page numbers are not required)? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • References: Do they identify the primary references from which performance statements and associated standards were derived? Do they cite documents by title and where applicable, chapter or section (page numbers are not required)? 			
	<p>b. Are there any operations specifications requirements other than those listed above?</p>			

The Instructional Systems Development Methodology. This document describes the approach to be used by applicant air operators to develop and maintain all Advanced Qualification Program (AQP) curricula. This document is divided into two sections. The first section, Development Procedures, describes the applicant’s approach for using the Job Task Analyses and Qualification Standards as baseline documents to construct their general training curricula across all AQP courses. The second section, Line Operational Simulation Methodology, describes the approach for developing line operational simulation (LOS) scenarios.

1	Development Procedures	Y	N	Comments
	a. Is the procedure for allocating TPOs and SPOs to lessons, selecting media and methods, and developing the curricula described?			
	b. Does the applicant describe how enabling objectives (EO) are developed to support their higher-level objectives?			
	c. Does the applicant describe how learning and evaluation activities are developed to support these objectives?			
	d. Does the applicant describe how instructional media and methods are assigned to objectives?			
	e. Does the applicant describe how objectives are clustered and sequenced into lessons, modules, segments, and curricula?			
	f. Does the applicant describe how an audit trail will be maintained to link proficiency objectives, lesson activities/content, and test items?			
2	Line Operational Simulation (LOS) Methodology	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant describe how the typical scenario is constructed?			
	b. Does the applicant describe how each event set relates to a phase of operation?			
	c. Does the applicant describe how each event set consists of a series of proficiency objectives that include both technical and CRM activities?			

	d. Does the applicant describe the use of event conditions, triggers, and distracters, as well as supporting events?			
	e. Does the applicant identify possible sources of incidents that will elicit the behaviour required by the proficiency objectives selected for the scenario?			
	f. Does the applicant define the basic success criteria for the LOS, and each event set within it?			
	g. Does the applicant describe the scenario development process?			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting - who will do the work? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of grade sheets? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing - who will be involved? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training instructors or evaluators to administer specific LOS scenarios? 			

The curriculum outline. This is a listing of course content. It should be arranged from curriculum into segments, segments into modules, modules into lessons, and lessons into elements. Each part of the curriculum outline must clearly indicate the subject matter to be taught and correspond directly to the hierarchical system of the task analysis. A curriculum outline provides the basis for the curriculum footprint, which is a high level graphical overview of the curriculum content depicting the training and evaluation activities and the proposed hours for each day of the curriculum.

1	Curriculum Outline	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the certificate holder have qualification and continuing qualification curricula for each duty position in each make, model, and series/variant of aircraft?			
	b. Does the certificate holder have separate qualification and continuing qualification curricula for the instructors and evaluators?			
	c. Does the certificate holder have any special curricula (transition, upgrade, requalification or refresher)?			
	d. Is each curriculum constructed in the following order: curriculum, segment, module, lesson, and lesson element?			
	e. Does the curriculum outline provide a level of detail that will allow the AQP applicant to make changes to the syllabus without submitting a new document for each syllabus change?			
	f. Does the curriculum outline include the following:			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operator's name? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type of aircraft? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duty position(s)? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Title of curriculum and/or curriculum segment? 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A listing of numbered (coded) objectives organized into lessons, modules, and segments? 			Numbers (codes) must allow TC to track objectives back to qualification standards and Job Task Analysis

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An outline of each training module within each curriculum segment? 			Each module should contain sufficient detail to ensure that the main features of the principal elements or events will be addressed during instruction.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The checking and qualification modules of the qualification curriculum segment used to determine successful course completion, including any regulatory qualification requirements for crewmembers to serve in CARS Part VII operations (such as initial operating experience, OE, route and aerodrome familiarization)? 			
	g. Does the curriculum outline indicate that it is part of the revision control system by page format?			
	h. Do the curriculum outlines provide a hierarchical link (proficiency objectives) between the qualification standards and a curriculum?			
	i. Does each part of the curriculum outline clearly indicate the subject matter to be taught and correspond directly to the hierarchical numbering system of the task analysis?			
2	Curriculum Footprint	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the curriculum footprint describe the training and evaluation activities conducted each day of the curriculum?			
	b. Does the curriculum footprint include the planned hours?			

Implementation and Operations Plan (I&O). This document is a milestone schedule detailing the transition to an AQP for flight crewmembers, instructors and evaluators, and a blueprint describing provisions for maintenance, administration, data management, and continuing quality control of curricula. The I&O Plan can be sectioned into two parts. The first part spells out how the operator proposes to implement the AQP. Included in this proposal is the schedule for the phase III training evaluation to include instructor/evaluator training and small group tryouts. It should also include provisos for evaluating the effectiveness of performance measurement tools, and provisions for evaluating facilities, courseware, and equipment before starting the plans for the small group tryouts. The second part explains how the certificate holder intends to operate the AQP in phases IV and V. Included in this section are strategies for maintaining the program, crew pairing policy, first-look administration, and instructor/evaluator requirements. The operations plan should also describe in detail the data management plan. This plan includes a statement of understanding addressing the collection and analysis of performance/proficiency data and a description of the performance/proficiency database (PPDB), the data management collection process, and the TC data submission, analysis, and reporting requirements.

1	Implementation – Phase III	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does this section include schedules for the implementation of each of the AQP curricula?			
	b. Do the schedules correlate to the MATS?			
	c. Do the schedules include dates for training the instructors/evaluators?			
	d. Does the instructor/evaluator training include difference training for those previously qualified (if applicable)?			
	e. Does this section include provisions for evaluating facilities, courseware, and equipment before starting the phase III training?			
	f. Does this section describe a plan for evaluating and observing the instructors and evaluators during the phase III small group tryout?			
	g. Does the instructor/evaluator training include provisions for evaluating the effectiveness of performance measurements such as the application of the rating scale, use of grade sheets and student feedback?			

	h. Does this section indicate that the applicant will request no-jeopardy credits for the small group tryout course graduates in a separate letter addressed to TC?			
2	Operations Phases IV & V – AQP Maintenance	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does this section describe the methodology for maintaining control of the AQP approval documents?			
	b. Does this methodology include a procedure for providing document copies to the POI after receiving the approval stamp from the POI?			
	c. Does this section describe the strategy to be employed for curriculum maintenance and update?			
	d. Does the strategy for curriculum maintenance and update include plans for acquiring and measuring data for tracking curricula?			
	e. Does the strategy for curriculum maintenance and update identify the person(s) responsible for making changes in the AQP?			
	f. Does this section describe the strategy for monitoring and responding to demographic changes?			
	g. Does this section describe using training and evaluation feedback to maintain and improve the AQP?			
	h. Does this section describe how student and instructor feedback will be obtained?			
	i. Does this section describe any plans to upgrade training equipment?			
3	Operations Phases IV & V – First Look Manoeuvres Administration	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant define first-look manoeuvres, their purpose, and the strategy that will be used to administer them?			
	b. Does this strategy indicate who will administer the first-look manoeuvres and at what point in the curriculum?			

	c. Does this strategy state that first-look will not be briefed prior to the first execution of these items?			
	d. Does this section describe how first-look manoeuvres are selected?			
	e. Does this section describe how the first-look manoeuvres would be updated?			
	f. Does the applicant describe how first-look manoeuvres will be analyzed to determine trends of degraded proficiency?			
4	Operations Phases IV & V – LOFT/LOE Crew Scheduling and Pairing Policy	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does this section describe the circumstances that would require a seat substitute?			
	b. Does this section describe the decision rules that would apply in obtaining a seat substitute?			
	c. Do the decision rules that would apply in obtaining a seat substitute ensure that in all cases, the seat substitute must be task familiar with the duty position?			
	d. Does this section describe at what point in the curriculum that a seat substitute would be used?			
	e. Does the applicant acknowledge that all occurrences of seat position substitution including the qualification of the seat substitute must be reported?			
5	Operations Phases IV & V – Instructor/Evaluator Requirements	Y	N	Comments
	a. Does the applicant identify by title each instructor or evaluator position?			
	b. Does the applicant describe the job function(s) that each instructor or evaluator is authorized to perform?			
6	Data Plan	Y	N	Comments

	a. Does the data plan have a prologue that establishes the intended purpose and methods for the collection, management, analysis, and reporting of AQP training/evaluation data for each curriculum?			
	b. Does the prologue specify how the data plan will be maintained and updated?			
	c. Does the prologue acknowledge the air operator's responsibility to collect and analyze more data than is required to be submitted to TC in order to adequately identify performance trends and make changes to factors that impact crewmember performance?			
	d. Does the data plan address the methods (e.g., grade sheets, computer-input screens, etc.) used to collect performance/proficiency data for all curricula?			
	e. Does the data plan address data input quality control, security, and usability?			
	f. Does the data plan address data management as the means and strategy the AQP air operator intends to employ to store, access, and assimilate the AQP performance/proficiency data that is collected?			
	g. Does the data plan address the type of software the data management system employs (e.g., relational database, spreadsheet etc.), the organization of the information in the electronic medium (e.g., database definition, database table relationships, spreadsheet description, etc.) and a description of the user interface to this data management system?			
	h. Does the data plan address the type of analysis it will employ to facilitate the AQP performance information needs of the air operator and TC? This discussion of the data analysis must address how each type of AQP data will be analyzed.			

	i. Does the data plan address TC data submission requirements including format and frequency?			
	j. Does the data plan address the type of data format it will employ for the reports, (e.g., tabular reports, graphs)?			
	k. Does the data plan address the frequency of the reports, both internal and TC?			
	l. Does the data plan identify the internal air operator personnel that will receive the reports?			
	m. Does the data plan include copies of all forms used for data acquisition and grading?			
	n. Does the data plan include a database description of data field types and a graphical depiction of the database table relationships?			
	o. Does the data plan address a quality assurance strategy for ensuring data integrity? Does this strategy include instructor and evaluator grading calibration?			

Annual AQP Report – Phases IV & V. AQP requires that each AQP certificate holder prepare an annual AQP report. This report is based on the certificate holder’s analysis of the data that is collected during training and at strategic points (validation/evaluation gates) in each curriculum and maintained in the performance/proficiency database (PPDB). AQP requires data collection and analysis in order to establish and maintain quality control of curricula for flight crewmembers, instructors, and evaluators. The annual AQP report should summarize the lessons learned and adjustments made to the curriculum(s) during the reporting period. The report should also include projected or proposed changes to the curriculum(s) based on the certificate holder’s current analysis. The actual adjustments made to the AQP are reflected in revisions to the approved AQP documents. The report should be submitted to TC no later than 60 days past the end of the report period. The reporting period is usually based on the authorization date for a particular curriculum in either phase IV or V. During AQP development, particularly for multiple fleet operators, with different authorization dates for multiple curricula, the reporting period may be modifiable as agreed upon by TC and the certificate holder. Copies of the report should be distributed the principal operations inspector (POI) at least 2 weeks prior to the annual AQP review meeting.

	Annual AQP Report	Y	N	Comments
	a. Is there a prologue or introduction to the report that addresses how each type of AQP data was analyzed? This prologue should corroborate the information in the I&O Plan.			
	b. Does the report discuss data reliability and consistency?			
	c. Does the report summarize the internal quality assurance reports as addressed in the I&O Plan?			
	d. Does the report validate the effectiveness of the AQP with supporting evidence of successful training and evaluation?			
	e. Is the report supported by TC analysis of the submitted data?			

	f. Does the report identify any trends, problem areas, and potential deficiencies that could result in decreased proficiency?			
	g. Does the report include a description of corrective measures taken and any resulting changes to curricula?			
	h. Does the report include any projected corrective measures to be taken and provide rationale for these changes?			
	i. Does the report indicate a need for changes to the AQP maintenance strategy as described in the I&O Plan?			
	j. Does the report indicate a need for changes to the certificate holders data plan as described in the I&O Plan?			
	k. Does the report provide an analytical comparison of data between equivalent periods in preceding years?			
	l. Does the report identify any future operational changes that will affect the AQP (operational changes or trainee demographics)?			
	m. Does the report analyze training and evaluation feedback as part of the collected data to determine the effectiveness of the training program?			
	n. Does the report analyze on-time completion rates for training curricula and initial operating experience?			
	o. Does the report analyze special tracking rates?			
	p. Does the report analyze instructor/evaluator (I/E) rater reliability training results?			
	q. Does the report analyze instructor comments as part of the collected data to determine the effectiveness of the training program?			
	r. Does the report analyze first look data?			
	s. Does the report analyze manoeuvres data?			
	t. Does the report analyze LOE data by technical topics, and CRM elements?			

	u. Does the report analyze OE data (exclusive of initial OE)?			
	v. Does the report address progress towards phases III, IV, & V in other fleets (as applicable)?			
	w. Does the report address seat substitution rates?			
	x. Does the report address recordkeeping?			
	y. Does the report address adherence to the I&O Plan?			
	z. Does the report address the validity and usefulness of the qualification standards?			
	aa. Does the report address internal audit or TC surveillance findings?			
	bb. Does the report address related safety programs implemented by the air operator (i.e., flight data monitoring / operational safety auditing)?			