



NEXT-GENERATION H160 RECEIVES JCAB APPROVAL

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The Japan Civil Aviation Bureau (JCAB) has granted its type certification for Airbus Helicopters' multi-role twin-engine H160, heralding a new chapter for helicopter operations in Japan.

“It is an honour to receive the H160 type certification from the JCAB. This certification, following the recent completion of Japan’s H160 first flight in France, paves the way to the aircraft’s upcoming entry into service in the country,” said Guillaume Leprince, Managing Director of Airbus Helicopters in Japan.

“This achievement reflects the strong commitment and collaboration between Airbus Helicopters teams in France and Japan, working in tandem with the JCAB to ensure thorough assessment complying with the highest safety standards. We appreciate the airworthiness agency’s trust and support in certifying the aircraft in record time while navigating COVID-19 challenges. We look forward to delivering the first H160 to Japan.

Preparation work for the H160's entry into service in Japan has commenced with technical training underway in Kobe, Japan. An H160 Helionix avionics trainer has been deployed at the facility, contributing to the training experience.

Airbus' Designed as a multi-role helicopter for a wide range of missions such as offshore transportation, emergency medical services, private and business aviation, as well as public services, the H160 integrates Airbus' latest technological innovations. The Blue Edge blades and the largest shrouded Fenestron tail rotor ensure low sound levels and deliver high end performance at the same time. Powered by Safran Helicopter Engines' latest Arrano engines, the H160 enjoys a 15% reduction in fuel burn, contributing immediately to reducing emissions.

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