



The Commercial Aviation Safety Team

CAST Portal: Your one-stop reference location for all things CAST

Founded in 1997, the Commercial Aviation Safety Team (CAST), a Government and industry collaborative initiative, has developed an integrated, data-driven strategy to reduce the commercial aviation fatality risk in the United States.

Over the past two decades CAST has identified systemic risks in the National Airspace System and has developed a portfolio of Safety Enhancements (SE) to reduce the fatality risk in Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 121 U.S. commercial operations. CAST encourages operators to evaluate the systemic risks identified by CAST within the operator's Safety Management System (SMS) process and take mitigating actions as needed. CAST SEs offer best practices for operators to take into consideration within their assessment for formulating mitigation strategies or evaluating currently deployed mitigations.

What can I get on the CAST Portal? As a registered user, you have access to CAST studies, SEs, and supporting documentation, such as study reports, presentations, and notices. The portal also provides the ability to submit comments and questions regarding the studies and SEs.

What does CAST need from operators? CAST needs your feedback. A key component of CAST's ability to manage its safety portfolio is to evaluate the implementation and effectiveness of the SEs. Operator feedback is vital for CAST to effectively manage its safety portfolio of SEs. The portal provides operators a platform to provide feedback directly to CAST by submitting comments on each study and SE.

Is my information protected and confidential? Yes, your information is protected under 14 CFR Part 193, Protection of Voluntarily Submitted Data. All information provided to the CAST secured portal is protected from disclosure and is only used by CAST to manage the CAST Safety Portfolio.

Who has access to my information? Your comments are received by CAST's working group, the Joint Implementation Measurement Data Analysis Team (JIMDAT), to assess effectiveness and implementation levels of CAST SEs. JIMDAT monitors the implementation and effectiveness of CAST SEs and recommends modifications to the CAST Safety Portfolio. JIMDAT uses the information to identify gaps and emerging risks as well as additional areas of study. JIMDAT members are bound by non-disclosure agreements, and JIMDAT has protocols/procedures in place to ensure only aggregated, de-identified summary information for the SE status (that is, implemented, implementation underway, under review, or not applicable) is reported to CAST. Your comments or provided documents *are never shared*.

Is my information shared with my association representative at CAST (A4A, RAA, NACA, CAA)?

Only a summary report that shows the overall implementation status of SEs for its respective members is shared with CAST.

Is my information shared with my FAA Principal Operations Inspector? No.

