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Safety Recommendation:

The IAA should review paraglider flying in relation to compliance with the applicable Statutory Instruments, consider promulgating an advisory memorandum giving suitable guidance to operators of paragliders for other than “private use” and also consider if additional education and enforcement activities are required to ensure awareness of, and compliance with, the relevant statutory provisions.

Response:

December 2015

On 2 December 2015 the IAA informed the AAIU by email that:

"The operation of paragliders (and powered paragliders) in the State is under review at the moment. Any guidance published will take account of this review."

November 2017

The IAA responded further to the AAIU on 21 November 2017 advising that:

"Subsequent to a review of the applicable regulations and consultation with the Irish Hang- gliding and Paragliding Association (IHPA), the IAA has produced and published an Advisory Memorandum (AOM 11) giving guidance to operators of Hang-gliders and Paragliders for 'other than private use'. This notice also includes information about the IHPA's website which now includes information about the requirements and test methods for classifying flight safety characteristics of paragliders (EN926).

AAIU Comment:

The AAIU considers the status of this safety recommendation as "Implemented, closed"