

FAA Compliance Program

- Launched in 2015, the Compliance Program represents a major cultural change in how the agency goes about ensuring regulatory compliance
- Its goal was to achieve effective, quick and efficient corrections to aviation safety issues resulting from deviations from standards
- It has been successful in improving safety and enabling airmen to take an active role in addressing safety concerns
- For example, what might have once required the use of enforcement action for a pilot deviation may now involve training, education, or counseling — a compliance action — to resolve

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- The FAA recognizes that some deviations are caused by a simple mistake or could stem from:
 - A lack of training
 - A lack of knowledge
 - Diminished skills
 - Procedures that are not working as they should
- Compliance action is a more effective way of correcting the issue and preventing a reoccurrence
- Since 2015, the agency has taken more than 44,000 compliance actions to identify the root cause of a safety issue and correct it at the most effective and efficient level

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- However, not all infractions may be resolved by compliance action, Enforcement actions (like certificate action) are still used when warranted
- Another key benefit has been the uptick in activity with voluntary reporting programs
 - Aviation Safety Action Program - <https://www.faa.gov/about/initiatives/asap>
 - Aviation Safety Reporting or NASA report - <https://asrs.arc.nasa.gov/>
- The Compliance Program also applies to our ever-expanding cadre of recreational and Part 107 drone flyers

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- With this program, the FAA can be more adept at achieving a rapid return to compliance, mitigating risk, and ensuring positive and permanent changes that benefit the entire aviation industry
- The full article can be found at the Jan/Feb 2024 – FAA Safety Briefing. More info can be found at <https://www.faa.gov/sites/faa.gov/files/JanFeb2024.pdf>

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