

HAC's IFR Committee Active in H1 Heliport & NVIS Discussions

You may recall at our 2010 Convention in Quebec City, that our IFR Committee, at Transport Canada's request convened a meeting to discuss NVIS requirements.

The committee has been struggling to engage with Transport Canada on this important issue, in an effort to help them develop regulatory material. HAC believes that the regulator *should* be looking to prudent operators in our industry, who really are the "experts" in any given field of helicopter operations, to assist them to develop regulatory material. [Read HAC's letter to Transport Canada dated July 15, 2010.](#)

On a separate but related subject, Transport Canada has begun to reclassify heliports using the new H1, H2, H3 Criteria ([link to article](#)) and this has presented some challenges for operators - particularly for some EMS Helicopter Operators having difficulty demonstrating full CAT A Performance compliance. HAC met recently with Transport Canada in Ottawa to discuss ways to resolve these issues on August 27, with a number of members of HAC's IFR Committee members in attendance.