Notice to Suppliers



Updated PPAP Project Deployment Matrix

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For the attention of Managing Director and Quality Manager

Scope/Applicability:

This NTS applies to all Suppliers or Partners who supply to Defence Rolls-Royce Aerospace contracts / purchase orders.

Dear Supply Partner,

Introduction:

Advanced Product Quality Planning (APQP) is a proven industry standardised practice for ensuring high levels of quality, on-time delivery, and cost reduction. Production Part Approval Process (PPAP) is the output of APQP confirming that requirements have been understood and verified, and the production process has demonstrated the potential to produce products that consistently fulfil all requirements at the customer demand rate.

The PPAP Project Deployment Matrix has been updated to reflect the projects Defence has identified for PPAP. For PPAP, the provision and disposition of the PPAP Submission as a minimum applies to these projects.

Regarding APQP, the exclusion of a project from this matrix does not waive any SABRe requirements, or requirements to comply with APQP.

Action Required:

Rolls-Royce Defence Aerospace Suppliers are required to:

- Review the updated PPAP Project Deployment Matrix published in the Global Supplier Portal
- Update internal QMS provisions accordingly to account for the updated matrix.
- Ensure all assigned PPAP Coordinators, Team members progressing APQP activities, and stakeholders are aware of the updated matrix.
- Ensure all sub-tier suppliers are aware of the updated matrix.

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