

# The News from FlightSafety...

## FLIGHTSAFETY'S NEW EUROCOPTER AS 350 B2 FLIGHT TRAINING DEVICE RECEIVES FAA FTD LEVEL 7 QUALIFICATION

**LaGuardia Airport, New York (August 17, 2009)** – FlightSafety International announces that its new American Eurocopter AS 350 B2 Flight Training Device has been qualified to Level 7 by the United States Federal Aviation Administration. This advanced technology training device is located at FlightSafety's Learning Center in Tucson, Arizona.

"This is the first Flight Training Device to receive FAA Level 7 qualification," said Bruce Whitman, President & CEO. "This demonstrates our ability to design and develop industry leading training devices that provide helicopter operators with a highly effective and cost efficient alternative to training in an aircraft."

The Flight Training Device is equipped with FlightSafety's VITAL X visual system. It provides 220 degree by 100 degree – 60 degrees down and 40 degrees up – wrap around visual capability. The system offers highly detailed, texture enhanced scenes and excels in its realistic presentation of both routine and critical weather conditions.

The AS 350 B2 flight training device is also equipped with a vibrating motion base that enhances the training experience by adding a new level of realism to the training scenarios.

FlightSafety's Tucson Learning Center will offer initial and recurrent training for the American Eurocopter AS 350 B2 using the new Flight Training Device. The training includes aircraft systems, emergency and abnormal procedures, as well as human factors and specialty training such as Inadvertent IMC.

In addition to the American Eurocopter AS 350 B2 FTD, FlightSafety's Tucson Learning Center provides training for pilots and maintenance technicians for Bombardier Learjet 25, 31A, 35, 45, 55 and 60 aircraft as well as the Challenger 601-3A and 604.

FlightSafety also provides professional helicopter training for aircraft manufactured by Bell Helicopter and Sikorsky at its Learning Centers in Fort Worth, Texas; Lafayette, Louisiana; West Palm Beach, Florida and at the Farnborough airport in the United Kingdom.

FlightSafety International is the world's premier professional aviation training company and supplier of flight simulators, visual systems and displays to commercial, government and military organizations. We provide more than a million hours of training each year to pilots, technicians and other aviation professionals. FlightSafety operates the world's largest fleet of advanced full flight simulators at Learning Centers and training locations in the United States, Canada, Europe and Asia.

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