

Name: Graham Wheeler
Position: Head of Quality Assurance and Business Systems, Airworthiness, UK
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Graham joined British Airways in 1981 as an apprentice and spent 20 years working in the engineering environment. His experience included line maintenance and heavy maintenance of fixed wing aircraft (B737, B747, B757, B767 B777, DC10, and L1011) as a licensed engineer and quality oversight of aircraft build and pre-delivery inspections of British Airways' new aircraft at Boeing in Seattle for the three years up to 2001.

Graham joined the UK Civil Aviation Authority in 2002 as an Airworthiness Surveyor providing regulatory oversight of UK CAA approved organisations and the continued airworthiness of UK registered aircraft. In addition to the UK regulatory work he was nominated as the focal point for oversight of some foreign JAA / EASA approved organisations the largest of which was Emirates.

In 2007 Graham took on his current role as Head of Quality Assurance and Business Systems in Airworthiness, where his responsibilities include quality assurance, training, risk and business planning for the Airworthiness aspects of the UK CAA.

He also represents Airworthiness on the Safety Risk Team highlighting potential safety risks for consideration to be included in the UK Safety Plan.

Graham was appointed team leader for the Airborne / Post Crash Task Force in June 2008.