

First Australian Airbus H160 order secured by Linfox

Brisbane, Australia, 10 December 2025 – Airbus has secured the first order for its H160 helicopter in Australia, with Australia's privately-owned logistics and supply chain enterprise, Linfox, placing the purchase. The new aircraft, which will be used for passenger transportation missions across Australia, marks Linfox's first purchase with Airbus.

The order follows a four-week demonstration tour in Australia, during which the H160 performed over 60 flights and flew more than 2,000 kilometres across the country. This successful demo tour and subsequent order underscore the aircraft's suitability for diverse Australian operational environments and the growing demand for the next generation of rotary-wing aircraft in the region.

"We're excited to take delivery of the Airbus H160. It is our first aircraft with Airbus and we look forward to a long relationship with such a trusted company that has a proven record of performance, safety and reliability," said Lindsay Fox, Founder, Linfox Group of Companies.

"We're truly honoured by Linfox's endorsement of the H160's capabilities and delighted to welcome Linfox as a new Airbus Helicopters customer," said Olivier Michalon, Executive Vice President of Global Business at Airbus Helicopters. "This first order marks an important milestone for Airbus in Australia. We look forward to seeing the H160 take flight in the country soon, delivering exceptional value, enhanced safety and efficiency to private and business missions as well as all the other missions it was designed to excel in, such as EMS, law enforcement, and other public services."

The multi-mission H160 continues to gain momentum across the globe, supporting a wide range of missions from emergency medical services and rescue missions, to private travel and offshore operations.

The H160 is one of the world's most technologically advanced helicopters, designed and built to deliver the highest levels of operational safety while providing unmatched comfort for rotorcraft in its class. Equipped with the Helionix avionics suite, the H160 offers intuitive flight controls, enhanced situational awareness and reduced pilot workload.

Beyond cabin ergonomics, the H160's design reduces environmental and community impact while boosting mission performance. Its innovative Blue Edge main rotor blades and canted Fenestron tail rotor cut perceived sound by up to 50% compared to conventional designs.

Optimised with Safran Arrano engines, the H160 delivers 18% reduction in fuel burn. It is also certified to fly with a 50% blend of sustainable aviation fuel (SAF). With a reduced

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maintenance footprint and streamlined support architecture, the aircraft delivers exceptional availability and cost-efficiency for operators across sectors.

Designed to meet the demands of diverse and high-stakes missions, the H160 excels in environments where reliability and adaptability are paramount. Its expansive cabin, unobstructed visibility, and swift reconfiguration capabilities position it as a standout choice for multi-role operations.

The H160 has entered into service in Brazil, Canada, China, France, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, U.K., U.S. and many other European countries.

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