

**Question for written answer E-007828/2015  
to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Pitot tubes and aviation safety

In 2009, Air France Flight 447 from Rio de Janeiro to Paris crashed, killing all 228 people on board. The air accident investigation revealed the crash had in part been caused by the freezing of the pitot tubes, sensors fitted outside the plane which supply the pilots with information on the aircraft's performance.

Could the Commission comment on whether it has any specific guidelines concerning pitot tube safety and functionality?