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## MRO Down Under

These Australian service providers offer everything from component and helicopter services to AOG and modifications to serve the growing regional MRO industry.

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### 3. Additive and Component Specialist

Company: **RUAG Australia**



**Specifications:** In operation since the early 1990s, RUAG Australia specializes in design, engineering, manufacturing and MRO of components and subsystems including hydraulic, structural and mechanical, actuation, wheels and brakes, and ground-support equipment. It also provides advanced additive repair technologies and surface finishing services for civil aircraft and defense customers throughout the Asia-Pacific region from its locations throughout Australia and headquarters in Bayswater—which also serves as its research, development and technical center for additive metal technologies. RUAG Australia is an authorized service center for Honeywell products and the sole-source supplier of 27 uplock actuator system components for the new F-35 platform's bay-door drive system.

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## 1. Independent and Growing

Company: **Heston MRO**



Specifications: Headquartered in Brisbane, with operations throughout Australia, Heston MRO is an independent shop providing line maintenance to international airlines operating throughout the region. The company says it aims to become the largest MRO in Australasia and has been growing since a change of ownership last December. This year it launched its Component Solutions business, applied for certification for engine on- and off-wing services, and completed Japan Civil Aviation Bureau certification. It is in the process of finalizing its technical training certification and looking into plans for light heavy maintenance in the region.

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## 2. Balanced Commercial and Defense Portfolio

Company: **TAE Aerospace**



Specifications: Specializing in engine and component MRO services for gas-turbine engines, TAE Aerospace serves a mix of commercial and defense aircraft operators, including regional commuter airlines, freighters and agricultural aircraft. It also offers specialized component MRO for turboprops, and wheel and brake MRO for commercial airlines. The company recently acquired several MROs in the U.S., which it says now makes it the world's largest Honeywell-authorized TPE331 engine support provider. It is also constructing a new Engine MRO and Technical Center in Queensland, which will be the home of its work on the Pratt & Whitney F135 engine for the Lockheed Martin F-35 Joint Strike Fighter.

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#### 4. Turbine Engine Services

Company: **Pacific Turbine Brisbane**



Specifications: As a Part 145 approved MRO, Pacific Turbine Brisbane specializes in turbine engine services for the Pratt & Whitney Canada PT6A and Honeywell TPE331. It recently installed a new PT6A test cell at its Brisbane facility and became the first Australian company to be ASA-100 accredited. Serving a mix of commercial, charter, regional and agricultural operators, Pacific Turbine Brisbane also offers engine management programs, engine exchanges and sales, in-field repairs, parts stock, and rental and leasing. The company also has operations in New South Wales and Miami.

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## 5. Nearly a Century of MRO Experience

Company: **Qantas Engineering**



Specifications: Operating alongside its parent airline since 1920, Qantas Engineering provides MRO support at all Australian international and domestic terminals, as well as at some overseas locations. It offers a wide variety of engineering services, including transit check inspections, line and base maintenance, AOG spares support and pooling, aircraft graphics and livery application, and on- and off-wing engine services. Qantas Line Maintenance can perform supplementary or minor maintenance inspections up to A checks while its Brisbane base holds Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) of Australia and FAA approvals to perform base maintenance support for Airbus A330 and Boeing 737 aircraft. It also provides a wide range of component maintenance, including for wheels and brakes, batteries, galley products, water waste systems, evacuation systems, non-destructive testing (NDT) and nose cowl composite repairs.

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## 6. Helicopter MRO Specialists

Company: **Sikorsky Australia**



Specifications: As a specialist in OEM-approved maintenance services for Sikorsky and Bell aircraft operators worldwide, Sikorsky Australia provides airframe MRO, design engineering, NDT, maintenance training and material support. In addition to its MRO headquarters in Queensland and locations in Yerriyong and Welshpool, Sikorsky Australia has mobile repair teams to provide services ranging from scheduled inspections and maintenance to modifications and repairs. Its blade repair facility in Brisbane performs inspection, testing, repair, paint, balance and leasing of rotor blades. Sikorsky Australia is also a CASA-approved Part 147 maintenance training school for a range of type-rated helicopter and engine courses.

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## 7. Expanding Australian Operations

Company: **Precision Aviation Group Australia**



**Specifications:** Launched in 2012 as a subsidiary of Atlanta-based Precision Aviation Group (PAG), PAG Australia provides MRO and inventory management to support helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft. The Australian branch is comprised of Precision Accessories and Instruments Australia and Precision Heliparts Australia, which are housed at a recently expanded, 20,000-ft.<sup>2</sup> Brisbane facility that includes shops for accessories, starter generators, and wheels and brakes. PAG received FAA approval in 2017 to provide MRO services on accessories in Australia, which it says will help it extend its capabilities to international operators along with its existing Part 145 CASA and European Union Safety Agency approvals.

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