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General Exemption E 6254

Exemption to Enable Use of the 2025-2026 Edition of the ICAO Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air

Background

- 1) United Kingdom (UK) legislation, the Air Navigation Order, 2016, the Air Navigation (Dangerous Goods) Regulations 2002, collectively ("the Regulations") requires that dangerous goods be carried by air in accordance with the detailed specifications of the 2023 2024 edition of the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284) approved and published by decision of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organisation ("Technical Instructions").
- Article 266 of the Air Navigation Order 2016 permits the CAA to exempt any aircraft or person, or classes of aircraft or persons, from the provisions of the Order or from any regulations made under it.
- 3) This Exemption is issued to enable the applicability of the new edition of the Technical Instructions, effective form 01 January 2025, until such time as the Air Navigation (Dangerous Goods) (Amendment) Regulations 2025 has been made so as to amend the definition of the Technical Instructions in the 2002 Regulations to refer to the 2025 - 2026 edition of the Technical Instructions as approved and published by decision of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organisation.

Interpretation

- 4) In this Exemption:
 - a) A "person" referred to in this exemption, is a person who delivers or causes to be delivered, takes or causes to be taken on board an aircraft, any dangerous goods capable of posing a risk to health, safety, property or the environment when carried by air, unless the Technical Instructions have been complied with.
 - b) "The operator" referred to in this exemption is an operator who has been issued with a dangerous goods approval in accordance with relevant UK regulations.

Exemption

5) The CAA, pursuant to Article 266 of the Air Navigation Order 2016, subject to the condition in paragraph 6, hereby exempts any person or operator, from the requirement of the Air Navigation (Dangerous Goods) Regulations 2002 to comply with the 2023-2024 English language edition of the Technical Instructions, as amended by Addendum No. 1 dated 23 March 2023, approved and published by decision of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

6) This Exemption is granted subject to the condition that the requirements of the 2025-2026 English language edition of the Technical Instructions, applicable from 01 January 2025, shall be complied with by such person or operator instead.

Date in Force

7) This exemption has effect from 01 January 2025 until 30 June 2025, both dates inclusive, unless previously revoked.

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Explanatory Note:

ICAO publish a new Edition of the Technical Instructions biennially. These are enforced in the UK via the Air Navigation (Dangerous Goods) Regulations 2002, in which Regulation 3(1), defines the Technical Instructions by reference to the applicable biennium and the definition is required to be amended whenever the new edition is published. The amendment requires legislation to be made which will come into force during 2025, but on a precise date not as yet known. This exemption therefore enables in the interim, operators and persons to comply with the most recent published edition of the Technical Instructions without breaching the Regulations.