Foreign Flight by Aircraft with Permits Issued by BMAA

Background

1) This General Exemption replaces previous Exemption 1541 with regard to allowing aircraft that have been issued with a Permit to Fly by the British Microlight Aircraft Association (BMAA), to fly abroad provided permission has been granted by the appropriate National Aviation Authority.

Interpretation

2) In this exemption, references to EU regulations are to those regulations as retained and amended in UK domestic law under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 and are referenced as “UK Regulation (EU) No. year/number” or “UK Regulation (EU) No. number/year”.

3) In this Exemption,
   a) the “Order” means the Air Navigation Order 2016 (as amended)
   b) the “CAA” means the Civil Aviation Authority.

Exemption

4) The CAA, in exercise of its powers under Article 266 of the Order, exempts aircraft issued with a National Permit to Fly by the BMAA from Article 33(1) and (2) of the Order (prohibition of an aircraft, flying in accordance with the conditions of a Permit to Fly, from any flight which does not begin and end in the United Kingdom without passing over any other country).

5) This exemption is granted subject to the following conditions:
   a) The aircraft is flown under and in accordance with a valid National Permit to Fly issued by the BMAA.
   b) The operator and pilot of the aircraft must have the permission of the competent authority of any country in whose airspace the aircraft is being flown.
   c) The owner of the aircraft must ensure that the documents specified in Schedule 1 to this exemption are valid and available for inspection by the competent authority on demand when the aircraft is flown abroad.

6) This exemption supersedes Official Record Series 4 No. 1541, which is revoked.
Date in Force

7) This exemption has effect from the date it is signed until 31 March 2025, both dates inclusive, unless revoked.

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SCHEDULE 1

Documents to be made available for inspection by the competent authority of any country

• A valid registration document from the UK Civil Aviation Authority
• A valid National Permit to Fly issued by the British Microlight Aircraft Association.
• A valid insurance certificate that meets the requirements of UK Regulation (EU) 785/2004 (as amended as at the date of this exemption); and
• A valid radio station licence, if appropriate.