



Miscellaneous

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General Exemption E6443

Gratuitous Carriage of Passengers and/or Cargo by Part-CAT AOC Holders

Background

- 1) The purpose of this Exemption is to discharge any holder of an air operator certificate (AOC) ("Part-CAT AOC") issued in accordance with UK Regulation (EU) 965/2012 (Air Operations) from the requirement to operate a flight in accordance with public transport requirements when specific conditions are met.

Interpretation

- 2) Part-CAT and Part-ORO have the same meaning as provided in Schedule 1 of the Air Navigation Order 2016 ("the Order").

Exemption

- 3) The Civil Aviation Authority, in exercise of its powers under article 266 of the Air Navigation Order 2016 (the "Order"), exempts any holder of a Part-CAT AOC from any requirement in the Order to operate a flight in accordance with public transport requirements that would apply to the holder by virtue of article 6(2)(b)(ii) of the Order, if the only reason that the flight is a public transport flight is because all passengers or cargo on board the aircraft are carried gratuitously in the aircraft, subject to the condition in paragraph 4.
- 4) A flight pursuant to this Exemption must be operated in accordance with UK Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012, Annex III (Part-ORO), ORO.AOC.125(a).
- 5) This Exemption supersedes Official Record Series 4 No.1587, which is revoked.

Date in Force

- 6) This Exemption has effect from the date it is signed until 31 October 2027, both dates inclusive, unless previously revoked.

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