

Miscellaneous

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UK Regulation (EU) 2018/1139

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General Exemption E6447

Revised Applicability Date of Changes to UK Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012

Background

- 1) On 5 December 2024, regulatory changes were made to UK Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 (“the Air Operations Regulation”) in Regulations 2 to 11 of the Aviation Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2024 (SI 2024/1290). Those changes come into force on 30 October 2025.
- 2) On 9 May 2025, the Civil Aviation Authority (the CAA) published Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) and Guidance Material (GM) in relation to those same regulatory changes.
- 3) The CAA considers that persons and entities required to comply with these new requirements from 30 October 2025 reasonably require more time to implement the necessary changes to their training, procedures and documentation before they can comply.
- 4) There is an urgent operational need to allow continued operations which comply with the requirements previously in force while Operators take further steps to implement the necessary changes to comply with the new regime.

Interpretation

- 5) In this Exemption, “Operator” means any Operator (within the meaning of the Air Navigation Order 2016 and the Air Operations Regulation), Commander or Pilot-in-Command.
- 6) The “Amended Requirements” mean the following Article and Annexes of the Air Operations Regulation as amended by Regulations 2 to 11 of the **Aviation Safety (Amendment) Regulations 2024**:
 - a. Article 5
 - b. Annex 1 (Definitions)
 - c. Annex 2 (Part ARO)
 - d. Annex 3 (Part ORO)
 - e. Annex 4 (Part CAT)
 - f. Annex 5 (Part SPA)
 - g. Annex 6 (Part NCC)
 - h. Annex 7 (Part NCO)
 - i. Annex 8 (Part SPO)

Exemption

- 7) The CAA, pursuant to Article 71(1) of UK Regulation (EU) 2018/1139, hereby exempts any Operator from the Amended Requirements for the duration of this exemption. The CAA also exempts any other person who may be subject to the Amended Requirements for the same period.
- 8) This exemption is granted subject to the following conditions:
- a. The Operator, Pilot-in-command or other person otherwise required to comply with the Amended Requirements must continue to comply with the requirements of UK Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 in force immediately prior to the date this Exemption takes effect (“the Existing Requirements”). The Existing Requirements will continue to be published on the CAA’s website.
 - b. Partial adoption of the Amended Requirements is not permitted. Any Operator or other person required to comply with the Amended Requirements must either comply with them in full or with the Existing Requirements in full as permitted by this exemption.
 - c. Any Operator or other person required to comply with the Amended Requirements who holds an Air Operator Certificate (AOC) must notify their assigned CAA Flight Operations Inspector if they intend to comply with the Existing Requirements as permitted by this exemption.
 - d. Adoption of the Amended Requirements may be made at any point during the period of this exemption, and must be made by the date of expiry of this exemption. The operator or other person required to comply with the Amended Requirements may choose the date within the period of this exemption upon which to adopt the Amended Requirements.
 - e. AOC holders must notify their assigned CAA Flight Operations Inspector within 7 days of adoption.
 - f. Nothing in this exemption absolves any person from the need to seek approvals in advance of adoption as required by the Amended Requirements.

Date in Force

- 9) This exemption has effect from 30 October 2025 until 30 October 2026, both dates inclusive, unless previously revoked.

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