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CIVIL AVIATION

The Rules of the Air and Air Traffic Control (Second Amendment) Regulations 1983

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under Article 61(1) of the Air Navigation Order 1980(**a**), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Rules of the Air and Air Traffic Control (Second Amendment) Regulations 1983 and shall come into operation on 16th January 1984.

2. The Schedule to the Rules of the Air and Air Traffic Control Regulations 1981(**b**) shall be amended as follows—

(1) In Rule 20 after paragraph (2) there shall be added the following paragraph:

"(3) Without prejudice to the provisions of Rule 27 to these Rules, before taking off on any flight from an aerodrome in the United Kingdom, being a flight whose intended destination is more than 40 kilometres from the aerodrome of departure, the commander of an aircraft of which the maximum total weight authorised exceeds 5,700 kg. shall cause a flight plan containing such particulars of the intended flight as may be necessary for search and rescue purposes to be communicated to the air traffic control unit notified for the purpose of this Rule.";

(2) In Rule 35(2)—

(*a*) In sub-paragraph (*a*) for the words from "of the person in charge" to the end of the sub-paragraph there shall be substituted the following words "of the air traffic control unit at the aerodrome during the notified hours of watch or, where there is no such air traffic control unit or if it is outside the notified hours of watch, the person in charge of the aerodrome;";

(**a**) S.I. 1980/1965.
(**b**) S.I. 1981/34; Rule 20 of the Schedule was amended by S.I. 1981/1669.

(*b*) In sub-paragraph (*b*) for the words from "without the permission" to the end of the sub-paragraph there shall be substituted the following words "unless the commander of the aircraft has the permission of the air traffic control unit at the aerodrome during the notified hours of watch or where there is no such air traffic control unit or if it is outside the notified hours of watch, the person in charge of the aerodrome;".

Nicholas Ridley,
Secretary of State
for Transport.

15th December 1983.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Regulations.*)

These Regulations further amend the Rules of the Air and Air Traffic Control Regulations 1981. The following changes are made:

(1) In the case of a flight whose intended destination is more than 40 kilometres from the aerodrome of departure in the United Kingdom the commander of an aircraft of which the maximum total weight authorised exceeds 5,700 kg. is now required to file a flight plan with the notified air traffic control unit before the aircraft takes off notwithstanding that the aircraft will be flown in uncontrolled airspace for which air traffic control clearances are not required. The flight plan must contain such particulars of the intended flight as are necessary for search and rescue purposes. (Regulation 2(1)).

(2) It is no longer sufficient for the commander of an aircraft to obtain in respect of certain aerodromes the permission of either the person in charge or the air traffic control unit or the aerodrome flight information unit before the aircraft either flies at notified times within the aerodrome traffic zone of that aerodrome or lands or takes off at any time within such a zone. The commander must now obtain the permission of the air traffic control unit during its notified hours of watch. If there is no such unit or it is outside the notified hours of watch of the unit the commander must obtain the permission of the person in charge of the aerodrome. (Regulation 2(2)).

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