



Consultation

Civil Aviation (Charges) Scheme 2018

Consultation on the proposed Civil Aviation (Charges) Scheme 2018

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Executive Summary

The Civil Aviation (Charges) Scheme 2018 would revoke and replace the Civil Aviation (Charges) Scheme 2017. Subject to Tynwald approval, the new Scheme will come into operation on 1st April 2018.

If you would like to make any comments on the proposals please submit these (preferably by email) to the Deputy Director Civil Aviation by close of play 21 November 2017.

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Background

The Isle of Man Aircraft Registry charges for the registration, certification and inspection of private and corporate aircraft, the licensing of flight crew and engineers, and the registration of aircraft mortgages. The charges for these services are specified in Scheme of Charges made under section 11 of the Civil Aviation Act 1982 (as it has effect in the Isle of Man).

The Scheme is reviewed and reissued annually.

Civil Aviation (Charges) Scheme 2018

Overview

The Civil Aviation (Charges) Scheme 2018 will revoke and replace the Civil Aviation (Charges) Scheme 2017. Subject to Tynwald approval, the new Scheme will come into operation on 1st April 2018.

The draft 2018 Scheme does not change the fundamental structure of the existing Scheme; however, descriptions for several charges have been modified and some new charges inserted.

The scheme at Annex A shows track-changed proposals to the previous charges and highlights the introduction of new charges. These are further explained below.

New Charges

The Cape Town Convention takes effect on the Island on 1 Jan 2018. The aim of the Convention is to give those involved in aircraft financing greater confidence in the remedies available to them if a debtor defaults on an agreement concerning an aircraft object. Whilst the 2016 Scheme of Charges introduced the charge required for clients to record an Irrevocable De-Registration and Export Request Authorisation (IDERA), the 2018 Scheme introduces further charges for the following new complementary services, all now structured within their a new combined 'Mortgages and IDERA' section of the scheme:

- Recording and removing a Certified Designee - £60.
- Revocation of an IDERA - £100.
- IDERA De-registration Request (in addition to the routine aircraft deregistration charge) - £100.

To enable a charge to be raised for de-registration of an aircraft initiated as a result of an IDERA being invoked, "De-registration of aircraft (cancellation at request of owner)*" is changed to "De-registration of aircraft*".

Amended Charges

The current charge for a "Steep Approach" approval is broadened to an "Aerodrome Specific" approval. This will enable the Registry to make a charge for the issuance of an approval to operate to and from unusual or challenging aerodromes such as St Helena, Kathmandu, or Union Glacier, in addition to those aerodromes which require a specific steep approach approval e.g. London City.

The current charge for a cancelled or postponed survey initiated by the client with less than 48 hours' notice has been broadened so that this also includes surveys terminated by the Registry due to inadequate client preparation that only becomes apparent at the start of or during the early stages of the survey. This may include situations such as an inability by the client to provide the required documentation or where the aircraft is clearly not ready for the survey to be undertaken.

The charges for the renewal of a Certificate of Airworthiness for aircraft weighing less than 2730kg is amended from £60 for each 500kg or part thereof (plus hourly rate) to a flat fee of £100 (plus hourly rate) in order to better reflect the limited work required by the Registry for an aircraft of this size. Such aircraft are below the normal minimum weight for an aircraft to be registered on the Island and registration is limited to Isle of Man residents.

Consultation Process

The closing date for the receipt of comments is 5.00 pm on 21 November 2017.

If you are responding on behalf of a group it would be helpful to make your position clear and to provide a summary of the people/organisations represented. To ensure that the process is open and honest, responses can only be accepted if you provide your full name with your response.

Consultation responses and any queries on the contents of this consultation should be sent (preferably by email) to:

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The Department will publish a summary of the responses within 3 months of the closing date for this consultation.

The purpose of consultation is not to be a referendum, but is an information, views and evidence gathering exercise from which to take an informed decision on the content of proposed legislation. As with any consultation exercise, the responses received do not guarantee changes will be made to the proposals.

Unless specifically requested otherwise, responses received may be published either in part or in their entirety, together with the name of the person or body submitting the response; if you do not consent to this, you must clearly request that your response be treated as confidential. Any confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system in email responses will not be treated as such a request. Information provided in response to the consultation will be dealt with in accordance with the Guidance on the Code of Practice on Consultation and the Code of Practice on Access to

Information. Respondents should also be aware that there may be circumstances in which the Department will be required to communicate information to third parties on request, in order to comply with obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2015.

This paper has been developed in accordance with the Isle of Man Code of Practice on Consultations Criteria as follows:

- Consult widely throughout the process, allowing a minimum of 6 weeks for a minimum of one written consultation at least once during the development of the legislation or policy.
- Be clear about what your proposals are, who may be affected, what questions are being asked and the timescale for responses.
- Ensure your consultation is clear, concise and widely accessible.
- Give feedback regarding the responses received and how the consultation process influenced the policy.
- Monitor your Department's effectiveness at consultation.
- Ensure your consultation follows best practice, including carrying out an Impact Assessment if appropriate.