

CIVIL AVIATION (SAFE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY AIR) ORDER

Consultation Response

October 2019





1. Background

The Civil Aviation Administration, part of the Department for Enterprise, is the aviation safety and security regulator for the Isle of Man (IOM CAA).

The consultation on proposals to develop legislation for the safe transport of dangerous goods by air is part of a wider package covering all aspects of aviation in the Isle of Man.

The aim of the consultation was to invite comment on the draft Civil Aviation (Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air) Order which will replace the current Air Navigation (Dangerous Goods) Regulations 2002 which are UK Regulations that were applied to the Island in 2006.

The order will apply to the Island the International Civil Aviation Organisation's (ICAO) Technical Instructions which are an internationally agreed set of provisions governing the requirements for transporting dangerous goods by air.

The consultation was open for a period of four weeks from 5 August 2019 to 30 August 2019.

It was considered that the proposals would be of particular interest to aircraft operators, shippers, freight forwarders and aerodrome operators.

2. Summary of responses and outcome

We received 3 responses to the consultation.

Of the 3 responses none disagreed with the proposals and no issues were raised with the drafting of the order.

Therefore no significant changes were made to the draft order as a result of the consultation. Please see the summary of responses below.

We are grateful for the response received and value the views expressed.

In case of query please email caa@gov.im.

Summary of responses and outcome

Article 5 Appropriate National Authority	
Response received	IOM CAA
Dangerous Goods by air courses must be	IoM CAA have qualified staff who utilise ICAO
undertaken by all staff in the D of E involved in	courses on a consistent basis.
information dissemination.	

Article 7 Classification	
Response received	IOM CAA
Which issue of the Technical Instructions is referenced? Do we have any control over the content of the TIs? It would appear that this legislation is blindly enacting some global requirements, which is not unreasonable but there is no control to approve any changes in these Technical Instructions.	The issue of the Technical Instructions referenced is the current issue at that particular time. Primary legislation provides for the order to make direct reference to technical standards in civil aviation. These references are capable of being ambulatory, referencing to the most up-to-date text of the technical standards at any given moment without the need for notices to direct users to any particular version.
	This question is repeated under article 8, 12 – 14 and the response is the same from the IOM CAA.

Article 8 Prohibition of transport of dangerous goods by air	
Response received	IOM CAA
As long as we are in line with ICAO Doc 9284-	The Order applies ICAO Doc 9284 Technical
AN/905 and its exemptions according	Instructions for the Safe Transport of
PROVISIONS FOR DANGEROUS GOODS CARRIED	Dangerous Goods by Air.
BY PASSENGERS OR CREW	

Article 11 - Exemptions	
Response received	IOM CAA
Approval must be obtained from the state e.g.	Noted.
UK, Ireland as well as the aircraft operator	

Article 12 - General Requirements	
Response received	IOM CAA
Exporting of dangerous goods by air in the Isle Of	Noted.
Man is extremely limited and must be shipped	
through air freight. Imports may be hospital	
radioactive supplies/dry ice shipments/limited	
quantities. This limited movement causes a	
problem in itself in that a lack of knowledge of	
procedures exists by both shippers and airline or	
handling agent staff.	

Article 13 - Packing and the Schedule	
Response received	IOM CAA
Packaging usually complies with UN Specification requirements as per Dangerous Goods regulations.	Noted.

Article 14 - Labelling and markings	
Response received	IOM CAA
Dangerous Goods regulations apply.	Noted.

Article 15 - Acceptance for carriage	
Response received	IOM CAA
Air freight handling agents must be fully trained / certificated in Dangerous Goods Regulations by	Covered by article 29 of the order.
an accredited training body	

Article 16 - Loading	
Response received	IOM CAA
Accredited Basic training also applies to Aircraft	Covered by article 29 of the order.
loading staff	

Article 17 - Inspection for damage or leakage	
Response received	IOM CAA
Accredited Training required for loading staff	Covered by article 29 of the order.

Article 18 - Removal of contamination by the aircraft operator	
Response received	IOM CAA
Health & Safety executive to be informed	Noted.

Article 28 - Procedures to be approved	
Response received	IOM CAA
The problem is undeclared Dangerous Goods in	This is covered under Part 7 of the order. Postal
mail and rigorous procedures must be in place	operators must provide dangerous goods
for extending any further acceptance. This would	training which must be approved by the
be an extensive and in depth project by an	Department.
experienced air freight expert.	