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Short title

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Airports Regulations, 1970*.

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Interpretation

2. For the purposes of these regulations

“animal” includes any horse, mule, ass, cattle, sheep, goat, swine, dog or cat;

“motor cab”, “motor omnibus”, “motor vehicle”, “public service vehicle” and “vehicle” have the meanings respectively assigned to them by section 2(1) of the *Road Traffic Act*, Cap. 295;

“parking area” means a place defined by metal studs or lines on the ground provided for the purpose of parking any class or description of vehicle.

PART II
GENERAL REGULATIONS

Application

3. All persons who are at any time on any part of an airport shall be governed by these regulations and by general or special orders or directions of an authorised officer.

Prohibited places or area

4.(1) The following buildings or areas of land at or used in connection with an airport are hereby declared to be prohibited places or areas

- (a) the air traffic control tower,
- (b) the air traffic control approach and radar offices;
- (c) the radio and radar transmitting and receiving rooms;
- (d) the radar towers and radio transmitting and receiving aerial towers;
- (e) the meteorological buildings and balloon sheds;
- (f) the aviation fuel installations;
- (g) the storage buildings;
- (h) the secondary power supply generating rooms;
- (i) the electrical transformer and switch-gear rooms;
- (j) the airport telephone private branch exchange;
- (k) the aircraft landing strip (including all runways, stopways and clearways);
- (l) the taxiways;
- (m) the hangers;

- (n) all areas in which visual or electronic aids to navigation are sited whether within or outside the airport.
- (2) Any person who enters or is within a prohibited place or area without having in his possession a permit in writing signed by the authorised officer permitting him to be in such place or area is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

Restricted places

5.(1) The following places at an airport are hereby declared to be restricted places

- (a) the aircraft parking apron;
 - (b) any place or enclosure indicated by a notice posted at or in such place or enclosure to be
 - (i) the incoming passengers' hall,
 - (ii) the passengers' departure lounge;
 - (c) the air cargo transit sheds.
- (2) Any person who enters or is within a restricted place other than
- (a) a person assigned to duty therein;
 - (b) subject to paragraph (e), a public officer designated in writing by a Permanent Secretary or a Head of Department, as the case may require, and approved by the authorised officer;
 - (c) a person authorised by the authorised officer;
 - (d) a passenger entering a restricted area for purposes of embarkation or disembarkation;
 - (e) a person authorised by the Comptroller of Customs or his duly authorised representative,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

Carrying on trade or business

6.(1) No person shall carry on any trade or business on an airport except with the approval of the Minister and under such terms and conditions as the Minister may determine.

(2) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

Soliciting

7. A person who solicits for any purpose whatsoever within an airport without the permission of the authorised officer is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$100 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

Motor cabs

8.(1) Any person who offers motor cab services or the services of any other motor vehicle carrying passengers for hire or reward at an airport without having first obtained from the authorised officer a permit or an occasional permit in writing for the purpose is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3) every permit granted under paragraph (1) shall be subject to the condition that there shall be paid to the authorised officer in respect thereof at such times as the Minister determines a fee of \$40 per month for each vehicle to which the permit relates.

(3) Where the authorised officer is satisfied that any vehicle to which a permit under paragraph (1) relates is not used in any month for the purposes of the permit,

the fee prescribed by paragraph (2) shall not be payable in respect of that vehicle.

(4) Every occasional permit granted under paragraph (1) shall be subject to the condition that there shall be paid to the authorised officer therefor a fee of \$3.

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Advertisements

9. Any person who posts or distributes signs, advertisements, circulars, printed or written matter at an airport without the approval of the authorised officer or otherwise than in accordance with the directions of the authorised officer is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

Commercial photographs

10. Any person who takes still, motion or sound pictures for commercial purposes on an airport without the permission of the authorised officer is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

Use of roads and paths

11. Any person who

- (a) travels on an airport other than on the roads, paths or places provided for the particular class of traffic;
- (b) occupies a road or path in such a manner as to obstruct its proper use,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

Animals

12. Any person who brings into an airport any animal which is not restrained by leash or confined in such other manner as to be under control is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$100 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

Lost articles found at airport

13.(1) Any person who finds a lost article at an airport shall deposit it at the office of the authorised officer who

- (a) if the article is of a perishable nature shall deliver it forthwith to a member of the police force; or
- (b) if the article is not of a perishable nature and the owner thereof has not been ascertained within a period of 60 days, shall deliver it to a member of the police force at the expiration of that period.

(2) Any person finding a lost article at an airport who contravenes or fails to comply with paragraph (1) is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

PART III**MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS****Motor vehicles on runways etc.**

14. Any person who drives a motor or other vehicle on a runway, stopway, clearway, taxiway or the aircraft parking apron without having first obtained the permission of the authorised officer is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

Parking of public service vehicles to which a permit under regulation 8 relates

15. A driver of a motor cab or other public service vehicle in relation to which there is in force a permit granted under regulation 8 who

- (a) on arrival at an airport, parks his vehicle
 - (i) elsewhere than in the appropriate parking area provided for such vehicles, or
 - (ii) otherwise than in accordance with the directions of the authorised officer or a member of the police force;
- (b) whilst on an airport, without the permission of the authorised officer or a member of the police force
 - (i) removes his vehicle from the appropriate parking area provided for such vehicles or from a place in which he has been directed to park by the authorised officer or a member of the police force; or
 - (ii) leaves the place on which his vehicle is parked,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250.

Parking of other motor vehicles

16. A driver of a motor vehicle, not being a public service vehicle in relation to which a permit has been granted under regulation 8, who on arrival at an airport parks his vehicle

- (a) elsewhere than in the appropriate parking area provided for such vehicles, or
- (b) otherwise than in accordance with the directions of the authorised officer or a member of the police force,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250.

Motor vehicles generally

- 17.** A driver of a motor vehicle who
- (a) without the permission of the authorised officer or a member of the police force, leaves his vehicle on an airport longer than is reasonably necessary for the transaction of the business of the purpose of which it was brought there;
 - (b) picks up or sets down passengers or passengers' baggage elsewhere than at such places as the authorised officer or a member of the police force may direct;
 - (c) when picking up or setting down passengers or passengers' baggage, fails to comply with any direction given to him by the authorised officer or a member of the police force;
 - (d) drives or places his vehicle carelessly or dangerously or without due consideration for other persons using an airport;
 - (e) fails or refuses to stop his vehicle when required so to do by the authorised officer or a member of the police force;
 - (f) fails to comply with any direction for the regulation of traffic given by the authorised officer or a member of the police force;
 - (g) fails or refuses to remove his vehicle from any parking area when required so to do by the authorised officer or a member of the police force; or
 - (h) without the permission of the authorised officer, takes his motor vehicle into a hanger used for the maintenance or storage of aircraft,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250.

Accidents

18. A driver of a motor vehicle which is involved in an accident on an airport who

- (a) fails or refuses to give his name and address and the name and address of the owner of the vehicle to the authorised officer or a member of the police force; or
- (b) fails forthwith to report the accident to the authorised officer or a member of the police force,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250.

Lorries, motor omnibuses and carts

19. Any person who

- (a) drives a motor lorry into an airport otherwise than for the purpose of delivering passengers' baggage or other goods to the airport or of collecting the same therefrom;
- (b) drives any cart into an airport; or
- (c) drives a motor omnibus into an airport without having first obtained the permission of the authorised officer,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250.

Intoxication

20. Any person who when driving or attempting to drive or when in charge of a motor vehicle on an airport is under the influence of drink or drug to such an extent as to be incapable of having proper control of the vehicle is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500 or to

imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Traffic signs

21.(1) The authorised officer may place, erect or display or cause to be placed, erected or displayed at an airport such traffic signs as he considers necessary for the proper control and regulation of vehicular traffic on the airport.

(2) All traffic signs placed, erected or displayed at an airport shall be deemed for the purposes of these regulations to have been placed, erected or displayed in accordance with paragraph (1).

(3) Any person who operates or causes to be operated a motor vehicle on an airport contrary to any direction of a traffic sign placed, erected or displayed at the airport is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.

PART IV

GENERAL RULES OF CONDUCT

Prohibition acts

22. Any person who, within an airport

(a) obstructs or interferes with the proper use of the airport;

(b) does any of the following

(i) obstructs any person acting in the execution of his duty in relation to the airport,

(ii) obstructs the Airport Manager, a security guard or other authorised officer or a member of the police force in the execution of a search of a vehicle that is entering or leaving a restricted or prohibited place or area, or

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- (iii) fails to stop, or causes to remain stationary, a vehicle referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) when directed to stop, or move on and keep on moving as the case may be, by an authorised officer or a member of the police force;
- (c) remains on the airport after having been required by the authorised officer or a member of the police force to leave it;
- (d) allows any vehicle or animal to be on the airport after having been required by the authorised officer or a member of the police force to remove it therefrom;
- (e) boards or attempts to board any aircraft without the authority of the person in charge thereof;
- (f) smokes in or otherwise brings into or lights any naked light in
 - (i) any place where any such act is prohibited by notice; or
 - (ii) any place within 50 feet of an aircraft or a store of liquid fuel or explosives;
- (g) does any act causing or tending to cause an outbreak of fire;
- (h) throws, leaves or drops anything capable of causing injury or damage to any person or property;
- (i) climbs any wall, fence, barrier, railing or post;
- (j) wilfully gives a false fire or ambulance alarm or false report of an aircraft emergency or accident;
- (k) walks on or otherwise damages any flowerbed or any thing growing therein;
- (l) removes, picks or otherwise damages any tree, shrub or plant;
- (m) swears or uses any abusive, threatening or indecent language;
- (n) behaves in an indecent or disorderly manner;
- (o) is intoxicated; or

- (p) drops or leaves litter elsewhere than in a receptacle provided for the purpose,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Acts requiring permission

- 23.** Any person who, without the permission of the authorised officer
- (a) enters or leaves an airport otherwise than through the gates and entrances for the time being provided for the purpose;
 - (b) enters any part of an airport to which the public are not for the time being admitted;
 - (c) removes, displaces, damages, defaces or alters any building, structure or other property whether movable or immovable (including any notice or traffic sign) forming part of or provided for or in connection with an airport;
 - (d) digs soil or cuts or removes grass;
 - (e) fills or discharges from any container (including any part of a vehicle) liquid fuel elsewhere than in a place approved by the authorised officer for that purpose;
 - (f) lights a fire elsewhere than in a place provided for the purpose; or
 - (g) uses at an airport radio transmitting or receiving equipment that is calibrated for transmission or reception on the aeronautical frequencies allocated for use at that airport,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$250 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

PART V
AIRCRAFT

Parking etc. of aircraft

- 24.** Any person who on an airport
- (a) parks or places an aircraft in any place or position other than that determined by the authorised officer;
 - (b) fails to secure from movement in a manner satisfactory to the authorised officer any stationary aircraft which is not in a hangar;
 - (c) without the permission of the owner or person in charge thereof;
 - (i) tampers or interferes with any aircraft or anything used in connection with an aircraft;
 - (ii) starts or runs an engine of any aircraft;
 - (d) starts or runs any aircraft engine in a hangar;
 - (e) starts or runs any aircraft engine when
 - (i) there is not in the aircraft a competent person attending the engine controls; or
 - (ii) the wheels of the aircraft are not adequately chocked;
 - (f) repairs any aircraft, aircraft engine, propeller or any appliance thereof in any place on an airport other than that appointed for the purpose by the authorised officer; or
 - (g) without the permission of the authorised officer
 - (i) runs any aircraft engine for test purposes; or
 - (ii) tests any radar equipment in an aircraft on the aircraft parking apron,

is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months.

PART VI
OBLIGATIONS OF TENANTS

Bulletin boards, first-aid equipment and storage

25.(1) The lessees of hangars shall maintain bulletin boards in a conspicuous place therein for the purpose of posting all notices issued by an authorised officer.

(2) All tenants and lessees of hangars or shop facilities shall

(a) provide in such hangars or shop facilities accessible first-aid kits and fire appliances approved by the authorised officer; and

(b) store or stack material or equipment in such a manner as not to constitute a hazard to persons or property.

(3) Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this regulation is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500.

PART VII
MISCELLANEOUS

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Conditions of issue of permits etc.

26.(1) A permit, occasional permit or permission under any of these regulations may be granted subject to such terms and conditions as the person granting it thinks fit.

(2) Where any permit, occasional permit or permission is granted under any of these regulations subject to any terms and conditions and the person to whom

the permit, occasional permit or permission is granted contravenes or fails to comply with any such term or condition, that person shall for the purposes of any criminal proceedings brought under these regulations be deemed to have acted without having obtained the permit, occasional permit or permission, as the case may be.