

On 30 November 2015 the Commission for Aviation Regulation received an application from Cork Airport (daa) for approval of a fee for the use of CUPPS (Common User Passenger Processing System) equipment at Cork Airport.¹ The proposed fee is €0.13 per departing passenger.

Under Regulation 14(3) of Statutory Instrument 505 of 1998, Cork Airport must seek approval in advance from the Commission where it collects a fee in respect of an airport installation.²

The Commission will now assess this application; prior to completing this assessment we invite submissions from interested parties.

The decision to approve such charges depends on whether the Commission is satisfied that four criteria are met:

- Relevancy
- Objectivity
- Transparency
- Non-discrimination

Prior to submitting its application to the Commission, Cork Airport held a consultation with users on the proposed fee. Interested parties were issued with a consultation paper and invited to make written comments by 20 November 2015.

The costs associated with this installation are derived from a new contract daa/Cork Airport has entered into with a third party vendor. This contract runs from November 2015 to November 2020. The tender for this contract was preceded by a consultation with users on the functional and technical requirements for the service. The costs in Cork Airport's proposal are valid only for the period of the contract.

Published alongside this note is Cork Airport's application.³

The Commission would like to hear the views of interested parties on Cork Airport's proposed fee. Responses should be marked "CUPPS Fee Cork Airport" and sent by email to info@aviationreg.ie or to the postal address below.

The closing date for receipt of submission is 5pm, 5 February 2016.

It is the intention of the Commission to publish responses received.

This Consultation is run concurrently with the consultation on Dublin Airport CUPPS fees. The two fees are similarly derived.

¹ CUPPS was Previously called CUTE – Common User Terminal Equipment

² Statutory Instrument 505/1998 "The European Communities (Access to the Groundhandling Market at Community Airports) Regulations 1998"

³ <http://www.aviationreg.ie/Documents/Default.150.html>