

COMMISSION NOTICE 7/2005

NOTICE REGARDING REQUEST FROM THE DUBLIN AIRPORT AUTHORITY FOR APPROVAL FOR AN ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT FOR INFLATION IN RESPECT OF CHECK-IN DESK CHARGES AT DUBLIN AIRPORT

On 6th October 2004, following a consultation process with the industry, the Commission for Aviation Regulation published **CP8/2004** approving the collection of a rental fee (at both annual and hourly rates) in respect of check-in desks at Dublin, Shannon and Cork Airports as requested by the airport authority. Approval was also granted by the Commission in respect of a "per passenger fee" for the CUTE (Common User Terminal Equipment) facility at Shannon airport. A summary of the fees approved are set out in the table below¹:

	Dublin	Shannon	Cork
Annual Check-In Desk Rental	€16,718	€8,000	€7,846
Hourly Check-In Desk Rental	€20.90	€20	€20
CUTE		€0.23	

The approval granted in respect of check-in desk rental charges at Shannon and Cork airports also allowed for an annual adjustment to be implemented on July $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ each year, to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) during the previous calendar year. At the time, the airport authority did not

¹ Source: CP8/2004

request approval for an annual adjustment for inflation in respect of check-in desk charges at Dublin airport.

The Commission has now received a request from the Dublin Airport Authority (DAA) to approve an annual CPI adjustment to be implemented on January 1st each year (commencing in 2006) to reflect changes in inflation during the previous 12 months to July in respect of the annual and hourly check-in desk rental fees at Dublin Airport. The proposed check-in desk rental fees for Dublin Airport for 2006 have been calculated by the DAA as follows (to include CPI as of July 2005):

	Dublin
Annual Check-In Desk Rental	€17,119.20
Hourly Check-In Desk Rental	€21.40

The Commission is currently considering this request from the DAA. In the interests of transparency and in line with the Commission's general policy on consultation, views are hereby invited on this matter from all interested parties.

The Commission has been advised that the DAA has already consulted with the Dublin Airport Users Committee on this proposal as part of the consultation process on the finalisation of the Miscellaneous Fees and Charges applicable at Dublin Airport in 2006.

As this is a non-statutory consultation, the Commission is setting a return date of 5 p.m. on Friday, 11th November 2005 for the receipt of responses. Replies which may be in electronic format or hard copy should be addressed to Ms Louise O'Dwyer, Commission for Aviation Regulation, Third Floor, Alexandra House, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin 2.

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