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REQUIREMENTS FOR (THIRD COUNTRY) AERIAL WORK OPERATORS IN THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

The Irish Aviation Authority, in pursuance of Articles 7 and 9 (2) of the Irish Aviation Authority (Operations) Order, 2006 (S.I. 61 of 2006), hereby directs that:-

Where not subject to the applicable provisions of Regulation (EU) No. 2018/1139 as amended which are currently effective, the following shall apply:-

- 1. The operator of an aircraft whose principal place of business is in a Third Country (hereinafter the "operator") shall not conduct aerial work operations (hereinafter "specialised operations") within the State without the permission Authority.
- 2. The operational rules for the conduct of specialised operations by the operator shall be as set out in the requirements of Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 as amended. Annex VIII (PART-SPO), as applicable to the related specialised operations, including but not limited to:
 - a. Pilot-in-command responsibilities and authority;
 - b. Compliance with laws, regulations and procedures;
 - c. Documents, manuals and information to be carried;
 - d. Transport of Dangerous Goods; and
 - e. Occurrence reporting.
- 3. Prior to conducting such specialised operations, the operator shall make an application in a manner acceptable to the Authority, including:
 - An operations manual(s) compliant with Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 as amended, SUBPART MLR - ORO.MLR.100, as applicable to the related Specialised Operations; and
 - b. If applicable, supporting risk assessments for the conduct of high-risk commercial operations as set out in (EU) No. 965/2012 (as amended) ARO.OPS.150.
- 4. When exercising the privileges of an aerial work permission the operator shall ensure:
 - a. That a copy of such permission is carried on board the aircraft; and
 - b. Compliance with the conditions and/or limitations endorsed thereon.
- 5. For the purpose of this direction the term "operator" shall have the same meaning as that defined in the (EU) Basic Regulation and its implementing rules (as amended).

Aviation Regulator Irish Aviation Authority

Explanatory Note

(This note is not part of the Direction and does not purport to be a legal interpretation).

This direction is necessary to facilitate certain situations where a specialised operator based in a Third Country and not subject to the (EU) Basic Regulation, is granted a limited permission to conduct commercial specialised operations in the State. This direction also requires such operators to comply with the same technical and safety requirements as similar operators based in the EU and creates an offence under Article 74 of the Irish Aviation Authority Act, 1993, if there is a contravention of the requirements of this direction while exercising such permission.