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SOUTH AFRICAN WEATHER SERVICE

SOUTH AFRICAN WEATHER SERVICE ACT (ACT No. 8 OF 2001)

PUBLICATION OF FEES FOR THE PROVISION OF AVIATION METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

In terms of section 28 (b) of the South African Weather Service Act (Act No. 8 of 2001), it is hereby published for general notice that as from the date of publication of this notice the South African Weather Service will charge fees for the provision of aviation meteorological services set out in the Schedule by virtue of the provisions granted in terms of section 4 (2) (e) and 21 (1) (b) of the said Act

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SCHEDULE

1. Liability to pay aviation meteorological user charges

- (1) Subject to the provisions of these rules, user charges for aviation meteorological services shall be payable by the operator of an aircraft to the South African Weather Service in respect of a flight undertaken within any flight information region established by the Commissioner for Civil Aviation in terms of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 1997, as amended.
- (2) Subject to the provision of these rules, the tariff of the aviation meteorological charges shall be as set out in Annexure A.

- (3) The tariffs set out in these rules, including Annexure A, are exclusive of value-added ~~tax~~ and are therefore subject to the appropriate rate as may be applicable to any specific tariff.
- (4) These charges shall be payable within 30 days of receipt of an invoice ~~from~~ the South African Weather Service.

2 Information of flights taking place and payment of charges

- (1) All the relevant information that is provided by an operator of an aircraft to the Air Traffic and Navigation Service Company of South Africa which will enable that company to calculate and air traffic service charge in terms of the flight, shall be used by the South African Weather Service to calculate aviation meteorological charges for that flight.

3 General Rules

- (1) Aviation meteorological user charges shall be payable in respect of South African and foreign state aircraft.
- (2) No aviation meteorological user charges shall be payable in respect of an aircraft engaged in search and rescue operations and coastal patrol flights of the South African Air Force.

ANNEXURE A

Aviation meteorological user charges

1. Category 1

In respect to an aircraft with a maximum certified mass (MCM) of 2000kg and above aviation meteorological user charge shall be calculated according to the following appropriate formula:

$$\text{Charge} = T \times W \times D$$

Where T =	for 29 November 2002 – 31 March 2003 (Year 1):	R20.41
	for 1 April 2003 – 31 March 2004 (Year 2):	R27.21
	for 1 April 2004 – 31 March 2006 (Year 3 and 4):	R24.05

$$W = \text{Square root of (MCM in metric tonnes divided by 50)}$$

D = Distance of the flight in the flight information region of South Africa in kilometer divided by 100

2. Category 2

Aircraft with a published certified maximum mass between **2000** and **4999** kg that operate under visual flight rules (**VFR**) pay user charges as follows according to their weight group:

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3&4
Level 1: (VFR) 4999 kg to 2000 kg	R531	R689	R754
Level 2: (VFR) 1999 kg to 1050 kg	R255	R331	R362
Level 3: (VFR) 1049 kg to 0 kg	R 21	R 28	R 30

Aircraft within Level 1, operating under Instrument Flight Rules (**IFR**) will fall in the charging mechanism of Category 1 as above and their (paid) annual fee will be regarded as a credit on their account.