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PUBLICATION OF FEES FOR THE PROVISION OF AVIATION METEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

In terms of Section 28(b) of the South African Weather Service Act, 2001 (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 Sections 4(2)(e) and 21(1)(b) of the said Act.

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SCHEDULE

1. **Liability to pay fees for the provision of aviation meteorological services**
 - (1) Fees for aviation meteorological services as contemplated in Sections 4(2)(e) and 21(1)(b) of the South African Weather Service Act, 2001 (Act No. 8 of 2001) 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) The fees as contemplated in sub-regulation (1) shall be as set out in Schedule 1 of these regulations.
 - (3) The fees referred to in sub-regulation (2) are exclusive of value-added tax and are therefore subject to the appropriate rate as may be applicable to any specific fee.
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(4) The fees as contemplated in sub-regulation (1) 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 fees

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 an air traffic service charge in terms of the flight, shall be used by the South African Weather Service to calculate the fees as contemplated in regulation 1(1) for that flight.

3. General Regulations

(1) The fees as contemplated in 1(1) shall be payable in respect of South African and foreign state aircraft, unless other provision has been made by means of a written agreement with the South African Weather Service.

(2) No fees as contemplated in 1(1) shall be payable in respect of an aircraft engaged in search and rescue operations and coastal patrol flights of the South African Air Force.

SCHEDULE 1

Fees for the provision of aviation meteorological services

1. Category 1

In respect to an aircraft with a maximum certified mass (MCM) of 2000kg and above, the fee for the provision of aviation meteorological services shall be calculated according to the following formula:

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

Where T = Tariff amount in ZAR

W = Square root of (MCM in metric tonnes divided by 50)

D = Distance flown in kilometres within the flight information region of South Africa in kilometre divided by 100

The tariff for the next three financial years will be as follows:

1 April 2006 – 31 March 2007	R23.50
1 April 2007 – 31 March 2008	R24.29
1 April 2008 – 31 March 2009	R24.73

Exception rule: Aircraft with an MCM between 2000 and 4999 kilograms that operate exclusively under Visual Flight Rules (VFR) fall into Category 2 below.

2. Category 2

In respect to an aircraft with a maximum certified mass (MCM) below 2000 kilograms or those aircraft that qualify according to the exception rule the tariff is set at zero.