GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM

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SOUTH AFRICAN WEATHER SERVICE ACT, 2001 (ACT NO. 8 OF 2001)
PUBLICATION OF FEES FOR THE PROVISION OF AVIATION METEOROLOGICAL
SERVICES

I, Marthinus Christoffel Johannes van Schalkwyk, Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism, under section 28(b) of the South African Weather Service Act, 2001 (Act No. 8 of 2001) made the Regulations in the Schedule.

Marthinus van Schallwyk

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM

SCHEDULE

- 1. Liability to pay fees for the provision of aviation meteorological services
 - (1) The South African Weather Service must charge an operator of an aircraft 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), 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 subregulation (1) are set out in Appendix 1 of these regulations.
 - (3) The fees referred to in subregulation (2) are exclusive of value-added tax and are therefore subject to the appropriate rate as may be applicable to any specific fee.
 - (4) The fees as contemplated in subregulation (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

The South African Weather Service must use 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 could enable that company to calculate an air traffic service charge for the flight, to calculate the fees as contemplated in regulation 1(1) for that flight.

General Regulations

- (1) The fees as contemplated in regulation 1(1) shall be payable in respect of South African and foreign state aircrafts, unless other provision has been made by means of a written agreement with the South African Weather Service.
- (2) No fees as contemplated in regulation 1(1) shall be payable in respect of an aircraft engaged in search and rescue operations or coastal patrol flights of the South African Air Force.

4. Repeal of Notice 643 in Government Gazette 31130 of 13 June 2008

The regulations published by Notice No. 643 in Gazette 31130 of 13 June 2008 are hereby repealed.

APPENDIX 1

Fees for the provision of aviation meteorological services

1. Category 1

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

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 tariffs for the next three financial years will be as follows:

1 April 2009 – 31 March 2010	R23,73
1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011	R24,99
1 April 2011 – 31 March 2012	R28.05

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 aircrafts that qualify according to the exception rule, the tariff is set at zero.