
GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

No. R. 775

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AVIATION ACT, 1962(ACT NO 74 OF 1962)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS, 1997

Under regulation 11.03.2(1)(a) of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 1997, the Chairperson of the Civil Aviation Regulations Committee (CARCOM) hereby publishes for comment the proposed amendments to the said Regulations, as set out in the schedule below. Any comments or representations on the proposed amendments should be lodged in writing with the Chairperson of the Regulations Committee, for attention Mr. Jabulane Mashinini or Mr. Herman Wildenboer, Private Bag X73 Halfway House, 1685, fax number : (011) 545-1201, or e-mail addresses mashinini@caa.co.za or wildenboerh@caa.co.za, before or on 18 August 2008.

SCHEDULE

PROPOSAL FOR THE AMENDMENT OF PART 174 OF THE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS, 1997

1. PROPOSER

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2. PROPOSER'S INTERESTS

In terms of the South African Weather Service Act (Act No 8 of 2001), the South African Weather Service (SAWS) is the (Aviation) Meteorological Authority as defined by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) (See in this regard section 3(f) of the said Act) .

This proposal was developed by a working group whose members represented the Airline Association of Southern Africa (AASA), Commercial Aviation of Southern Africa, (CAASA), Aero Club of South Africa, South African Weather Service (SAWS), and the South African Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

3. PROPOSAL TO AMEND REGULATION 174.00.2 OF THE REGULATIONS

3.1 It is hereby proposed to-

- (a) substitute sub-regulation (1) of regulation 174.00.2 with the following sub-regulation:

“Designation of aviation meteorological authority

174.00.2 (1) The South African Weather Service (SAWS) is designated as the aviation meteorological authority to fulfill the international obligations of the Government under the Convention of the International Civil Aviation Organization, 1944, in terms of section 3 of the South African Weather Service Act, 2001 (Act No 8 of 2001).”.

3.2 CURRENT REGULATION

“Designation of meteorological information organization

174.00.2 (1) The Commissioner may designate a meteorological information organization to provide the following services in support of aviation:

- (a) Climatology services for the development and supply of climatological information for a specific place or airspace;
- (b) Forecast services for the supply of forecast meteorological information for the specific area or portion of airspace;
- (c) Information dissemination service for the collection and dissemination of meteorological information;
- (d) Meteorological briefing service for the supply of written and oral meteorological information on existing and expected meteorological conditions;
- (e) Meteorological reporting service for the supply of aerodrome reports; and
- (f) Meteorological watch service for the monitoring and prediction of meteorological conditions affecting aircraft operations in a specific area.”.
- (g) and
- (b) the deletion of sub-regulations (2) and (3):

3.3 CURRENT SUB-REGULATIONS (2) AND (3)

“(2) The designation referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall be made in writing and shall be published by the Commissioner in the Gazette within 30 days from the date of such designation.

(3) The conditions, rules, requirements, procedures or standards of a designation referred to in sub-regulation (1) shall be as prescribed in Document SA-CATS-AIRS.”.

3.4 MOTIVATION

The SAWS has, in terms of its objects, to provide or arrange for the provision of meteorological for international air navigation. The purpose of this amendment is to align the CAR to ICAO requirements
