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Operating rules for aerial sport or leisure aviation in the Slovak Republic Air Space

Article 1

- (1) **Transport Authority of the Slovak Republic (“Transport Authority”)**, as the competent authority of the Slovak state administration in line with the Civil Aviation Law No 143/1998 (Aviation Law) and taking into account Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2018 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Union Aviation Safety Agency, and amending Regulations (EC) No 2111/2005, (EC) No 1008/2008, (EU) No 996/2010, (EU) No 376/2014 and Directives 2014/30/EU and 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulations (EC) No 552/2004 and (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 (“Regulation 2018/1139”) and having regards to the applicable EU laws, regulations, standards and recommendations of the civil aviation international organizations, which the Slovak Republic has adopted, **herein defines specific operating rules for the aerial sport or leisure aviation in the Slovak Republic air space (“Slovak air space”)**.
- (2) These rules are binding for the aviation personnel and for the aircraft operator with the aircraft designated for aerial sport or leisure flying (known also as “the special aircraft category used for sport and recreational flying”), who conducts flights in the Slovak air space, particularly the aircraft defined in specific regulation.¹
- (3) These conditions does not apply for the operator of an unmanned aircraft and for the holder of a valid attestation for flying with the unmanned aircraft.

Article 2

- (1) With aerial sport or leisure aviation, unless the special regulation does not institute otherwise², is not possible conduct commercial air transport, aerial works or specialized operations.

¹ Article 2 Section 8. of the Regulation 2018/1139

² E.g. Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/395 laying down detailed rules for the operation of balloons pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1975 amending Regulation (EU) No 965/2012 as regards air operations requirements for sailplanes and electronic flight bags, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1976 laying down detailed rules for the operation of sailplanes pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council

- (2) With aerial sport or leisure aviation is possible perform competition flight.³

Article 3

Documents to be carried

- (1) The following documents shall be carried on each sport or leisure flight in line with the specific regulation⁴:
- a) The certificate of registration or a similar document replacing it;
 - b) The certificate of airworthiness or flight approval, or other similar document confirming compliance with the conditions of airworthiness and continuing airworthiness in regard to standards and recommendations of an international civil aviation organizations⁵;
 - c) The original aircraft radio licence, if applicable;
 - d) The third party liability insurance certificate(s).
- (2) In addition to the documents in section (1), aircraft shall carry other necessary documents and information for the conduct of the flight and crew member(s) documents.
- (3) Sport or leisure aviation aircraft from the third country⁶ can conduct flight in the air space only after approval of the certificate of airworthiness, or other similar document replacing it. The Request for Approval of the document validity should be delivered to Transport Authority via e-mail to air.operations@nsat.sk, or in the hard copy (letter) at least 30 days before the intended flight.

Article 4

Third Party Liability Insurance

- (1) The sport or leisure aviation operator should have a valid third party insurance, comply with it and be able to give a proof to the Transport Authority on request.
- (2) If not stated otherwise, the minimum level of insurance to cover liability is stated in the specific regulation⁷.
- (3) The minimum level of insurance to cover third party liability for aircraft specified in the Article 2, Section (2), letter g) of Regulation (EC) 785/2004 is defined in the specific Slovak regulation⁸.

Article 5

Crew member

- (1) Crew member of the aerial sport or leisure aviation is:
- a) The holder of a valid pilot licence or a similar document which replaces it, issued in the ICAO member country and having regards to the recommendations of the civil

³ Article 2 Section (10) of the Commission Regulation (EU) 965/2012 as amended.

⁴ Aviation Law (Slovak).

⁵ Convention on International Civil Aviation, ICAO Doc 7300/9 as amended.

⁶ As defined in the Regulation (EU) 2018/1139 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

⁷ Regulation (EC) No 785/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as amended.

⁸ § 2 Section (1) of the Public Regulation of the Ministry of Transport No 654/2002 Z. z., laying down the minimum insurance cover for the third party damages in civil aviation (only in Slovak).

aviation international organizations if the specific regulation does not specifies otherwise⁹;

- b) The holder of a valid medical certificate corresponding with a valid pilot licence;
 - c) The holder of radio telephony (R/T) privileges, when the aircraft is equipped with radio and radio navigation devices. These privileges may appear on the licence form or on a separate certificate.
- (2) Crew member of the aerial sport or leisure aviation from the third country shall request Transport Authority to recognize his pilot licence. The application for recognition should be delivered to Transport Authority by e-mail to air.operations@nsat.sk or in the hard copy (letter) at least 30 days before the intended flight.

Article 6

Flight operations

- (1) The flight with the sport or leisure aircraft should perform:
- a) Such a way, that the safety of other aircraft, persons and the property on the ground is not compromised, and noise and emission environmental limits are met;
 - b) In line with the flight regulations¹⁰ for every defined air space;
 - c) Such a way, that limits and conditions for operation specified in the sport aircraft certificate of airworthiness or in the flight approval, or in other document certifying fulfilment of conditions in the area of airworthiness and continuing airworthiness are met;
 - d) In the areas of the fauna sensitive to the noise from air operations only with the approval of the competent nature protection body¹¹.
- (2) Aerial sport or leisure aircraft from the third country is possible perform in the air space with the approval issued by Transport Authority. The application for approval should be delivered to Transport Authority by e-mail to air.operations@nsat.sk or in the hard copy (letter) at least 30 days before the intended flight.

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⁹ Commission Regulation (EU) No 1178/2011, laying down technical requirements and administrative procedures related to civil aviation aircrew pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council.

¹⁰ E.g. Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 923/2012 as amended, Convention on International Civil Aviation.

¹¹ E.g. Law No 543/2002 Z. z. on nature and country protection as amended (Slovak).