



Miscellaneous

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General Authorisation and Approval

The Carriage of Weapons of War and Munitions of War, Approving and Authorising Armed Police On Board an Aircraft

- 1) The United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority, for the purposes of paragraph 10 of the Annex to Article 4 of EC Regulation (EC) No. 300/2008, hereby authorises the carriage of weapons on an aircraft other than in the hold, subject to the conditions in paragraph 3).
- 2) In accordance with CAT.GEN.MPA.155(a), the United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority approves the transport of weapons of war and munitions of war, specifically those referred to in exemption CAA Ref. **019162**, subject to the conditions in paragraph 3).
- 3) This authorisation and approval is granted subject to the following conditions:
 - a) the operator holds an Air Operator Certificate (AOC) which has been granted to the operator by the United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority under Annex II Part-ARO to Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 ('EASA-OPS') and that AOC remains in force;
 - b) the operator has obtained the approval of all States whose airspace is intended to be used in accordance with CAT.GEN.MPA.155(a);
 - c) the weapons of war and munitions of war are carried in accordance with exemption CAA Ref. **019162**, granted under Article 266 of the Air Navigation Order 2016 and which provides exemption from Article 99 of the Order;
 - d) the weapons of war or munitions of war are carried on the person of a police officer acting in the course of their duties, when he/she is accompanying one or more persons in accordance with exemption CAA Ref. **019162**. Before the flight begins the operator shall notify the commander of the aircraft of the arms, ammunition and CS spray a police officer will have on his/her person and his/her seating location; and
 - e) when the police officer is not accompanying any of the persons in accordance with exemption CAA Ref. **019162**, the unloaded arms and ammunition shall be stowed in the hold of the aircraft or in a location which is inaccessible to passengers on the aircraft. Before the flight begins the operator shall notify the commander of the aircraft of the arms and ammunition stowed on his/her aircraft and the location. Where inaccessible stowage cannot be achieved, the arms and ammunition may be retained by the police officer.

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- 4) This authorisation and approval supersedes Official Record Series 4 No. 1165, which is revoked.
- 5) This authorisation and approval has effect from the date it is signed until revoked.

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Notes:

- 1) Although CAT.GEN.MPA.155(b) requires weapons of war and munitions of war to be unloaded and stowed in the aircraft in a place that is inaccessible to passengers in flight, paragraph 10 of the Annex to Article 4 of EC Regulation (EC) No. 300/2008 provides for weapons to be carried elsewhere with the authorisation of the States involved. This is such an authorisation.
- 2) This approval relates to the carriage of munitions of war by police officers in specialised circumstances and does not approve the carriage of munitions of war in other circumstances, such as cargo or passenger baggage.
- 3) The exemption referred to in paragraphs 3) c), 3) d) and 3) e) of this authorisation and approval requires the person carrying the munition of war to inform the operator in good time in advance of a flight of the intention to carry munitions of war in accordance with the exemption and to provide a copy of the applicable exemption to the operator before a flight begins.