



**Miscellaneous**

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ICAO Technical Instructions**

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**General Exemption E 4346 and E 4347  
General Approval and Permission**

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**The Carriage of Electroshock Weapons by Police Officers On Board an Aircraft**

- 1) The United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority, as permitted by and in accordance with Part 1;1.1.3 of the Technical Instructions and Article 266 of the Air Navigation Order 2016 ('the Order'), exempts United Kingdom Police Officers from the provisions of Part 8;1.1.1 of the Technical Instructions and Article 99 of the Order in order to permit the carriage of electroshock weapons (e.g. Tasers), subject to the conditions in paragraph 4 below.
- 2) The United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority, for the purposes of EASA Ops CAT.GEN.MPA.155(a), approves the transport of munitions of war within the United Kingdom, subject to the conditions in paragraph 4 below.
- 3) The United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority, in accordance with Article 98(2)(a) of the Order, permits the carriage of munitions of war within the United Kingdom, subject to the conditions in paragraph 4 below.
- 4) This exemption, approval and permission is granted subject to the following conditions:
  - a) electroshock weapons shall only be carried on:
    - i) an aircraft operated by the holder of a United Kingdom Air Operator Certificate which has been issued under Annex II Part-ARO to Regulation (EU) No. 965/2012 ('EASA Ops'); or
    - ii) an aircraft operated by the holder of a United Kingdom Air Operator Certificate issued under the Air Navigation Order;
  - b) the Police Officer shall seek the approval of the aircraft operator for the carriage of the electroshock weapons in advance of the flight;
  - c) the electroshock weapons shall be in an appropriate container in a manner that will prevent accidental activation, and carried as the checked baggage of a United Kingdom Police Officer;
  - d) the aircraft operator shall, before a flight begins, inform the commander of the aircraft of the location of the electroshock weapons; and
  - e) the electroshock weapons shall only be carried on flights entirely within United Kingdom airspace.

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- 5) In this exemption, approval and permission 'Technical Instructions' means the latest effective edition of the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (Doc 9284-AN/905), including the Supplement and any Addendum, approved and published by decision of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization.
- 6) This exemption, approval and permission supersedes Official Record Series 4 No. 1156, which is revoked.
- 7) This exemption, approval and permission has effect from the date it is signed until varied, suspended or revoked.

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**Notes:**

- 1) The legislation referred to requires that dangerous goods be carried in accordance with the Technical Instructions. Under that document, the carriage of dangerous goods must either comply with the specific requirements applicable to the particular dangerous goods or be carried in accordance with an exemption permitted by that document. This is such an exemption so far as it relates to passengers, authorising the carriage of electroshock weapons which contain dangerous goods, without complying with the specific passenger provisions.
- 2) Electroshock weapons carried in accordance with this exemption are carried in accordance with the Technical Instructions and thus in accordance with UK and EASA legislation.
- 3) Since electroshock weapons are considered to be 'munitions of war', they may not be carried by an operator unless that operator holds an approval or a permission to carry such items. This is such an approval and permission to permit the carriage of electroshock weapons only.