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**GENERAL**

**LEGISLATION MATTERS**

**PUBLICATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 11.04.4(2) OF THE FULL PARTICULARS OF AN EXEMPTION GRANTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF REGULATION 138.06.5 OF THE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS, 1997**

☞ Indicates changes.

☞ This AIC replaces AIC 18-66 dated 10 FEB 2011.

**1. APPLICANT**

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**2. DETAILS OF EXEMPTION**

With immediate effect, the Director of Civil Aviation has granted operators of South African Air Ambulance Services, an exemption from the requirements of Regulation 138.06.5, of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 1997, until the amended version has been published in the Regulations.

**3. MOTIVATION**

The SACAA has received numerous requests for exemptions from operators unable to comply with this Regulation. Apart from the hospital helipad requirements, which currently render the Regulation unenforceable, operators have also requested to be exempted from having IF (Instrument Flight) –certified aircraft (which requirement is a higher standard than that set under Part 91 night operation requirements), and from having only IF-rated pilots conducting night operations.

**4. INDUSTRY CONSULTATION**

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of October 2010, the SACAA and the industry had a workshop where it was agreed that Regulation 138.06.5 needs to be revised in order to enable the operators, directly affected by the contents of this Regulation, to be able to implement and comply with the Regulation.

**5. GRANTING OF EXEMPTION**

The exemption is granted subject to compliance with the conditions as set out below.

**6. CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH**

With the aim of promoting safety in the industry, Part 127 has imposed the following measures and conditions to be published in this AIC to enable operators to continue operating in the interim:

☞ The Aircraft must be fitted with the following Minimum Equipment:

- (a) Dual Altitude Indicator
- (b) Vertical Speed Indicator
- (c) Air Speed Indicator
- (d) Stabilised Directional Indicator

- (e) Magnetic Compass
- (f) Radio Altimeter
- (g) Turn and Slip Indicator or Standby Artificial Horizon with separate power source
- (h) Accurate Time Piece
- (i) OAT (Outside Air Temperature)
- (j) Dual Independent Generating Systems
- (k) Power Failure Warning Device
- (l) Storm Scope or Weather Radar
- (m) Monitored Tracking System

*The equipment above should be capable of being used from either pilot station. All VFR (Visual Flight Rules) Night Operations must utilize multi-crew. Both Crew members must have a night rating with a minimum of 150 night hours.*

*The Operator should adhere to the minimum requirements for VFR operations as per Regulation 127.05.2*

7. **AVIATION SAFETY**

*The granting of this exemption will not jeopardize aviation safety.*



**DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION**