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NOTICE TO ALL AVIATION TRAINING ORGANISATIONS CONDUCTING NIGHT TRAINING, AEROPLANE AND HELICOPTER, WITHIN THE SCOPE OF SA CARS, 2011 PART 140

1. Purpose of this PEL Notice

This notice serves to inform all aviation training organisations (ATOs) conducting night training, for aeroplane and helicopter, of the need to establish a pre-flight risk assessment which is to be completed by the flight instructor as part of safety data and safety information capture and analysis.

2. Applicability

- 2.1. It must be noted that Proactive and Reactive HIRA/M is already a mandatory requirement for ATOs conducting Flight Training.
- 2.2. This plan does not place any new burden on ATOs to exercise duties in the best interest of safety.
- 2.3. This notice prioritises verification of safety measures implemented by the PEL inspector during routine surveillance audits, as well as during renewal audits.

3. General condition

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The ATO shall establish a pre-flight checklist to be completed by the flight instructor. This checklist shall:

- i. Verify the condition of the aircraft and that all internal and external equipment required for Night Flight is satisfactory;
- ii. Ensure that the HIRA/M information about Night Training is available and forms part of the pre-flight briefing;
- iii. Ensure that the Aerodromes' lighting facilities are serviceable;
- iv. Assess NOTAMS about the safety of the flight;
- v. In the case of an unmanned aerodrome, ensure that the ATO has a contingency in place in the case of the crew not reporting the end of the training flight;
- vi. Verify that Crew brief on Depth Perception and Judgement challenges at the area of training (e.g. Terrain, dark patches, distracting lights, obstacles, etc)
- vii. Crew to list any other Hazards and Risks not already listed, assess consequences, and mitigate where possible.

5. Decision by the Director of Civil Aviation

The SACAA reserves the right to amend the decisions contained in this notice should circumstances dictate the necessity thereof. Please note: If there are any regulatory changes this Notice will be subject for review.

Issued by the South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA)		
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