Aviation (En-route Navigation Facilities) (Fees) Regulations, 2024

IT is hereby notified that the Minister of Transport and Infrastructural Development, has, in terms of section 79(2)(u) as read with section 5(c) of the Civil Aviation Act [Chapter 13:16], made the following regulations:—

Title and date of commencement

- 1. (1) These regulations may be cited as the Aviation (En-route Navigation Facilities) (Fees) Regulations, 2024.
- (2) These regulations shall come into operation on 1st June, 2024.

Interpretation

- 2. In these regulations—
 - "F.I.R." (Flight Information Region) means the Zimbabwe airspace;
 - "MAUW" (Maximum All Up Weight) means the weight of an aircraft measured in kilograms as authorised in the certificate of registration or airworthiness or in the flight manual;
 - "Distance flown in F.I.R." means—
 - (a) in the case of a flight traversing Zimbabwean airspace without landing, the shortest distance from the point the aircraft enters the F.I.R. to the point where it exists the F.I.R.;
 - (b) in the case of a flight from another country, terminating in Zimbabwe, the shortest distance from the point of entry into the F.I.R., to the destination;
 - (c) in the case of a flight originating from within Zimbabwe en-route to another country, the shortest distance from the point of departure to the point of exiting the F.I.R.;

(d) in the case of a flight conducted wholly within Zimbabwean territory, the shortest distance from the point of departure to the destination.

Application

- 3. (1) Any person who flies any aircraft within the F.I.R. shall be liable to payment of en-route navigation fees to the Director-General.
- (2) The Director-General shall, in terms of these regulations determine the fees payable in respect of each aircraft or flight.
- (3) The fees shall be payable in United States dollars in respect of a foreign registered aircraft, and in the case of Zimbabwe registered aircraft, the fees shall be payable in United States dollars or the equivalent local currency.
- (4) In the case of an aircraft intending to fly across the F.I.R without landing, en-route fees shall be payable in advance.

Determination of fees

4. (1) The fees shall be calculated by applying the formula—

- c: represents the air navigation fees payable which is subject to a minimum amount of US\$31 irrespective of the formula.
- p: represents the service unit rate (pricing unit) which shall be US\$0.31 per nautical mile.
- d: represents the shortest distance in nautical miles between the airport of departure or the point of entry into F.I.R. and the airport of destination or the point of exit from F.I.R.
- w: represents the weight factor, as shown in the following table—

M.A.U.W	Weight factor
0-15 000	0.5
15 001-35 000	1.0
35 001-65 000	1.5
65 001-100 000	2.0
100 001-200 000	2.5
Over 200 000	4.0

(2) In respect of flights conducted solely for the purpose of recreation (gliding, parachuting, ballooning, etc) or training (training on instruments, general flying, circuits, etc) the fee for each flight by Zimbabwean registered aircraft, US\$31.00, and by foreign registered aircraft, US\$31.00.

Exemption

- 5. These regulations shall not apply in relation to—
 - (a) any aircraft being used by the Director-General solely in search and rescue operations;
 - (b) any aircraft engaged in test flights so ordered by the Director-General;
 - (c) any aircraft returning to the airport of departure, because of any hazard caused by weather, technical or any other circumstances without making any intermediate landing;
 - (d) any other aircraft in respect of which an exemption in writing has been granted by the Director-General.

Repeal

6. The Aviation En-route Navigation Facilities) (Fees) Regulations, 1997, published in Statutory Instrument 67 of 1997, are repealed.

