

*These notes refer to the Civil Aviation Act 2012 (c.19)
which received Royal Assent on 19 December 2012*

CIVIL AVIATION ACT 2012

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Part 1 – Airports

Chapter 1 – Regulation of Operators of Dominant Airports

Licences

Section 16: Refusing to grant licence

83. [Section 16](#) states the grounds on which the CAA may refuse to grant a licence and the process the CAA must follow should it decide to refuse to grant a licence, including a requirement to consider representations made about a proposal to refuse to grant a licence. The period allowed for making representations must be a period of at least 30 days beginning with the notice of the proposed refusal. The circumstances where the CAA may refuse a licence are stated in *subsection (1)*. These include circumstances in which the application is made by a person whose licence for that airport area has previously been revoked in accordance with a relevant provision of a licence (see *subsections (2) and (3)*) (or by a person “connected to” that person, within the definition set out in section 71). Otherwise, they comprise circumstances where a licence is considered not to be required.