

Civil Aviation Act 1949

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PART III

AERODROMES AND OTHER LAND

Minister's Aerodromes

16 Minister's power to provide aerodromes

(1) The Minister may for the purposes of civil aviation establish and maintain aerodromes and provide and maintain in connection therewith roads, approaches, apparatus, equipment, and buildings and other accommodation:

Provided that nothing in this subsection shall authorise the execution of any works on, over or under tidal lands below high-water mark of ordinary spring tides, except in accordance with plans and sections previously approved in writing by the Minister of Transport and subject to such conditions as he may impose.

- (2) The Minister shall appoint for each aerodrome vested in him an officer who shall be responsible to the Minister for all services provided on the aerodrome on behalf of the Minister, including signalling services, flying control services, and services connected with the execution of works.
- (3) The Minister shall not provide any of the Airways Corporations with aerodrome facilities in connection with the operation of any charter service unless he is satisfied that comparable facilities are available, or can be made available if required, to persons other than the Airways Corporations in connection with the operation of a similar service, and are so available, or can be made so available if required, upon terms and conditions not less favourable than those upon which the facilities in question are provided by him for the Corporation concerned.

In this subsection the expression " aerodrome facilities" means any facilities connected with the use of an aerodrome, and the expression " charter service " means any service provided on charter terms.

17 Consultation with Ideal bodies

In the management and administration of any aerodrome vested in him the Minister shall make such provision as he thinks necessary to ensure that adequate facilities for consultation are provided for the local authorities in whose areas the aerodrome or any part thereof is situated, and for other local authorities whose areas are in the neighbourhood of the aerodrome, and for other organisations representing the interests of persons concerned with the locality in which the aerodrome is situated.

18 Sanitary control on Minister's aerodromes

- (1) Without prejudice to their general duties under any Act of Parliament or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Minister of Health and the Minister of Civil Aviation to make such arrangements as they think necessary—
 - (a) for preventing danger to public health from aircraft arriving at any aerodrome vested in or under the control of the Minister of Civil Aviation; and
 - (b) for preventing the spread of infection by means of any aircraft leaving any such aerodrome, so far as may be necessary or expedient for the purpose of carrying out any treaty, convention, arrangement or engagement with any country.
- (2) A local authority may, and shall if the Minister of Health so requires, undertake duties in connection with the execution of any such arrangements as aforesaid; and the Minister of Health shall pay to a local authority such charges as the authority may reasonably require to be paid in respect of expenses incurred and services provided by the authority in the performance of such duties.
- (3) Any reference in this section to a local authority shall be construed—
 - (a) in relation to England, as a reference to any local authority for the purposes of the Public Health Act, 1936, any county council and any port health authority, and also any joint board of which all the constituent authorities are local authorities within the meaning of the preceding provisions of this paragraph;
 - (b) in relation to Scotland, as a reference to a local authority for the purposes of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1945, and also a port local authority as defined in section one hundred and seventy-two of the Public Health (Scotland) Act, 1897;
 - (c) in relation to Northern Ireland, as a reference to such authority as the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland may designate as the appropriate authority for the purposes of this section.
- (4) The references in this section to the Minister of Health shall be construed in relation to Scotland as references to the Secretary of State, and in relation to Northern Ireland, as references to the Ministry of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland.