

Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 September 2008 on common rules for the operation of air services in the Community (Recast) (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER II

**OPERATING LICENCE**

*Article 3*

**Operating licence**

1 No undertaking established in the Community shall be permitted to carry by air passengers, mail and/or cargo for remuneration and/or hire unless it has been granted the appropriate operating licence.

An undertaking meeting the requirements of this Chapter shall be entitled to receive an operating licence.

2 The competent licensing authority shall not grant operating licences or maintain them in force where any of the requirements of this Chapter are not complied with.

3 Without prejudice to any other applicable provisions of Community, national, or international law, the following categories of air services shall not be subject to the requirement to hold a valid operating licence:

- a air services performed by non-power-driven aircraft and/or ultralight power-driven aircraft; and
- b local flights.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Regulation (EC) No 1008/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- Regulation revoked by [S.I. 2018/1392 reg. 7](#)
- Regulation title amended by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 2](#)
- Art. 3(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 5\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 3(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 5\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 5\(3\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions**

- Signature words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 22](#)
- Art. 2(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(2\)](#)
- Art. 2(7) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(3\)](#)
- Art. 2(8) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(4\)](#)
- Art. 2(11) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 2(11) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2(11A) inserted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(6\)](#)
- Art. 2(13)(14) omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(7\)](#)
- Art. 2(18)(19) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(8\)](#)
- Art. 2(20)-(22) omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(9\)](#)
- Art. 2(26) substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 4\(10\)](#)
- Art. 4(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 6\(b\)](#)
- Art. 4(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 6\(c\)](#)
- Art. 4(f) omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 6\(d\)](#)
- Art. 13(3)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 14\(4\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 13(3)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 14\(4\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 13(3)(b) words inserted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 14\(4\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 13(3)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 14\(4\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 13(3)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392, Sch. 2 para. 14\(4\)\(c\)\(zi\)](#) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2019/687 reg. 5\(4\)](#)
- Art. 16(3)(a) words inserted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 17\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 16(4)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 17\(5\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 16(12)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 17\(10\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 16(12)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 17\(10\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 17(5)(a) omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 18\(4\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 17(5)(d) words omitted by [S.I. 2018/1392 Sch. 2 para. 18\(4\)\(b\)](#)