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The Air Navigation Order 2005

PART 5

Operation of Aircraft

Use of flight recording systems and preservation of records

62.—(1) On any flight on which a flight data recorder, a cockpit voice recorder or a combined cockpit voice recorder/flight data recorder is required by paragraph 5(4), (5), (6) or (7) of Schedule 4 to be carried in an aeroplane, it shall always be in use from the beginning of the take-off run to the end of the landing run.

- (2) The operator of the aeroplane shall at all times, subject to article 91, preserve—
 - (a) the last 25 hours of recording made by any flight data recorder required by or under this Order to be carried in an aeroplane; and
 - (b) a record of not less than one representative flight, that is to say, a recording of a flight made within the last 12 months which includes a take-off, climb, cruise, descent, approach to landing and landing, together with a means of identifying the record with the flight to which it relates;

and shall preserve such records for such period as the CAA may in a particular case direct.

(3) On any flight on which a cockpit voice recorder, a flight data recorder or a combined cockpit voice recorder/flight data recorder is required by paragraph 5(16) of Schedule 4 to be carried in a helicopter, it shall always be in use from the time the rotors first turn for the purpose of taking off until the rotors are next stopped.

- (4) The operator of the helicopter shall at all times, subject to article 91, preserve—
 - (a) the last 8 hours of recording made by any flight data recorder specified in paragraph (1) or (2) of Scale SS of paragraph 6 of Schedule 4 and required by or under this Order to be carried in the helicopter;
 - (b) in the case of a combined cockpit voice recorder/flight data recorder specified in paragraph (3) of the said Scale SS and required by or under this Order to be carried in a helicopter either—
 - (i) the last 8 hours of recording; or
 - (ii) the last 5 hours of recording or the duration of the last flight, whichever is the greater, together with an additional period of recording for either—
 - (aa) the period immediately preceding the last five hours of recording or the duration of the last flight, whichever is the greater; or
 - (bb) such period or periods as the CAA may permit in any particular case or class of cases or generally.

(5) The additional recording retained under sub-paragraphs (b)(ii)(aa) and (bb) of paragraph (4) shall, together with the recording required to be retained under sub-paragraph (b)(ii) of paragraph (4), total a period of 8 hours and shall be retained in accordance with arrangements approved by the CAA.