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COMPLIANCE TO TANZANIA CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS 2006

1. The United Republic of Tanzania together with her other Partner States in the East Africa Community embarked on the harmonization of civil aviation regulations to be in compliance with the current standards and recommended practices of the Annexes to the Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation. This was also done in line with the implementation of Article 92 of the Treaty for the Establishment of the East African Community.
2. This exercise culminated in the promulgation of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 2006 (herein referred to as 'TCARs 2006') which were officially *gazetted* on 1 December 2006 and are now the new implementing standards for civil aviation safety regulation in Tanzania.
3. The Authority together with her counterparts in the East African Community appreciates the complexity of meeting the new standards and the time the industry may be required to meet all the applicable standards agreed, to allow for a phase-in period into these new regulations.
4. This phase-in period, formally called the transition period to becoming fully compliant to the TCARs 2006, will run concurrent with the Tanzania Air Navigation Regulations, 2003 (TANRs 2003) and this period as notified by the Government Notice No. 97/2007 *gazetted* on 4th May 2007 commences from 1 February 2007 and ends not later than 31 January 2008.
5. All new applicants and operators will have their applications processed in accordance with the requirements of the new Regulations, TCARs 2006. Every certificate, license or other document issued to the operator prior to the commencement of TCARs, 2006 meeting the requirements of Tanzania Air Navigation Regulations, 2003 shall continue in force as long as they continue to meet those requirements until the certificate, licence or such other document expires or are otherwise revoked, suspended or cancelled by the Authority, but must be fully compliant to the TCARs 2006 prior to cut off date.
6. All new applications for approval or importation of equipment including aircraft, will be approved for importation and use when in compliant to the new regulations.

7. From the foregoing paragraph 5 above, all operators, approved organizations and personnel are supposed to have all their operating standards, procedures and required documentation and manuals upgraded to the new regulations within the transitioning period and when ready can be recertified to the new standard.
8. All persons and operators are required to appreciate the specificity of these Regulations and the qualifications there-in. These are the basis for all certifications and approvals and it shall be in the applicants' best interest that, prior to application the applicable regulations have been studied in their entirety and understood, where in doubt clarity for their applicability has been sought from the Authority. Applications will be expedited where all the relevant applicable regulations have been properly and clearly referenced when demonstrating compliance. In particular –
 - (i) manuals and procedures submitted to the Authority in support of such applications shall ensure that they have clearly referenced the applicable regulations
 - (ii) all persons nominated to hold posts in such organizations must meet the qualifications, experience and training requirements as required under the regulations.
9. The Authority wishes to stress that, the Regulations must be complied to by all operators within the transition period specified in paragraph 4. Failure to comply will render the approval, licence, certificate invalid and the organization, operator or personnel will not be allowed to exercise the privileges of the approval, licence or certificate.
10. The applicable TCARs 2006 comprise of the following Regulations appearing in separate Regulations for ease of usability:
 - (a) The Civil Aviation (Commercial Air Transport Operations by Foreign Air Operator in and out of the United Republic of Tanzania) Regulations GN No. 169;
 - (b) The Civil Aviation (Airworthiness) Regulations GN No. 170;
 - (c) The Civil Aviation (Approved Training Organisation) Regulations GN No. 171;
 - (d) The Civil Aviation (Aerial Work) Regulations GN No. 172;
 - (e) The Civil Aviation (Aircraft Registration and Marking) Regulations GN No. 173;
 - (f) The Civil Aviation (Air Operator Certification and Administration) Regulations GN No. 174;
 - (g) The Civil Aviation (Personnel Licensing) Regulations GN No. 175;
 - (h) The Civil Aviation (Instruments and Equipment) Regulations GN No. 176;
 - (i) The Civil Aviation (Approved Maintenance Organisation) Regulations GN No. 177;
 - (j) The Civil Aviation (Rules of the Air and Air Traffic Control) Regulations GN No. 178;
 - (k) The Civil Aviation (Parachute Operations) Regulations GN No.180; and
 - (l) The Civil Aviation (Operation of Aircraft) Regulations GN No. 181.

Hard copies of these Regulations will be available at the TCAA headquarters at a fee during normal working hours but the public can access same on the TCAA website. The Regulations can also be purchased from the Government Bookshop.