



Australian Government
Civil Aviation Safety Authority

Instrument number CASA EX107/10

I, JOHN FRANCIS McCORMICK, Director of Aviation Safety, on behalf of CASA, make this instrument under subregulation 308 (1) of the *Civil Aviation Regulations 1988 (CAR 1988)*.

[Signed John F. McCormick]

John F. McCormick
Director of Aviation Safety

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Exemption — operations by hang gliders in the Forbes Flatlands Hang Gliding Championships 2011

1 Duration

This instrument:

- (a) commences on 28 December 2010; and
- (b) stops having effect at the end of 12 January 2011.

2 Application

This instrument only applies to flights within a 150 nautical miles radius of Forbes aerodrome, New South Wales that are conducted by hang gliders in the Forbes Flatlands Hang Gliding Championships 2011 (the *Championships*).

3 Exemption

For this exemption, the pilot in command of such an aircraft is exempt from complying with regulation 166E of CAR 1988.

4 Definitions

In this instrument:

hang glider means a hang glider as defined in Civil Aviation Order 95.8.

HGFA means the Hang Gliding Federation of Australia Incorporated.

in the vicinity of has the same meaning as in subregulation 166 (2) of CAR 1988.

5 Conditions

The exemption is subject to the conditions mentioned in Schedule 1.

Schedule 1 Conditions

- 1 A ground communications station must be established at Forbes aerodrome and operate daily during the competition in order to advise other aircraft that are operating in the vicinity of Forbes aerodrome of the activities, location and direction of the participants in the HGFA competition (the *HGFA fleet*).
 - 2 A ground communications station must be established at Parkes aerodrome on days when weather conditions make it necessary and it must advise other aircraft that are operating in the vicinity of Parkes aerodrome of the activities and direction of the HGFA fleet.
Note Clause 2 will apply when a south-westerly wind is blowing between Forbes and Parkes.
 - 3 The ground communications stations must be active on both UHF frequencies and V.H.F. common traffic advisory frequencies, commencing 30 minutes before activities begin and continuing for the duration of those activities.
 - 4 Only hang gliders carrying serviceable V.H.F. radios may operate in the vicinity of Parkes aerodrome for 1 hour before the scheduled arrival time, or 1 hour after the scheduled departure time, of a regular public transport aircraft.
 - 5 Championship organisers must ensure that the pilots of towing aircraft make the broadcasts required under regulation 166C of CAR 1988 and communicate with other aircraft in the area, advising them of the activities, location and direction of the HGFA fleet, having regard to the prevailing conditions of the day.
 - 6 Championship organisers must ensure that participants are briefed daily on the boundaries of the areas of activity in the competition flight zone, the requirements for operating in those areas, and the applicable procedures as published daily in NOTAMS.
 - 7 Hang gliders not equipped with serviceable V.H.F. radios must remain clear of certified, registered or military aerodromes, other than Forbes and Parkes, and any other aerodromes designated by CASA under regulation 166D of CAR 1988.
 - 8 Pilots of participating hang gliders must operate in accordance with the current HGFA Operations Manual and, in particular, in accordance with its Day V.F.R. procedures.
 - 9 The pilot in command must hold at least a valid HGFA pilot certificate.
 - 10 The Championship organisers must arrange with CASA for the publication of daily NOTAMS setting out the boundaries of the areas of activity and the applicable procedures.
 - 11 The pilot in command must comply with the procedures published in NOTAMS applicable to the Championships.
 - 12 Not later than 5 working days before the commencement of this instrument, the HGFA must inform the CASA Sport Aviation Office of the procedures to be published in NOTAMS for the Championships. It must also give CASA adequate notice of the updates to be published in the daily NOTAMS.
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