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Republic of the Philippines CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES



MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 008 - 2024

TO

ALL 406MHz EMERGENCY LOCATOR TRANSMITTER

(ELT) TESTING FACILITIES

FROM

THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

SUBJECT

OPENING OF NEW FREQUENCY CHANNEL 406.076MHz ON

01 JANUARY 2025 AND CLOSING OF FREQUENCY

CHANNEL 406.031MHz ON 01 JULY 2025

DATE

04 APRIL 2024

The COSPAS-SARSAT System provides satellite-aided distress alert and beacon messages thru frequency band 406.0MHz to 406.1MHz. COSPAS-SARSAT monitors the system capacity of the frequency band by dividing it into channels. COSPAS-SARSAT closes and opens channels depending on the demand. Until 01 January 2025, all frequency channels made available for COSPAS-SARSAT distress beacons are operating below 406.050MHz.

The COSPAS-SARSAT Council at its CSC-69 session decided to open frequency channel 406.076MHz (channel "S") starting 01 January 2025, and to close frequency channel 406.031MHz (channel "D") on 01 July 2025.

In the interest of public safety, all 406MHz beacon testing facilities are hereby required to confirm the compatibility of their equipment with the frequency channel 406.076MHz before 01 January 2025.

For strict compliance,

CAPTAIN MANUEL ANTONIO L. TAMAYO

Director General

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