



MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 022-2024

SUBJECT : AMENDMENTS TO PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS
PARTS 1, 8, AND 9

RE: ADOPTION OF ICAO ANNEX 6 PART I AMENDMENT 49;
ANNEX 6 PART II AMENDMENT 41; AND ANNEX 6 PART III
AMENDMENT 25

REFERENCES:

1. Philippine Civil Aviation Regulation Parts 1, 8, and 9
2. Republic Act No. 9497
3. Regulations Amendment/Revision Procedure
4. Board Resolution No. 2012-054 dated 28 September 2012

Pursuant to the powers vested on the Director General of the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines under Republic Act No. 9497, otherwise known as the Civil Aviation Authority Act of 2008 and in accordance with the Regulations Amendment/Revision Procedure with Board Resolution No. 2012-054 dated 28 September 2012, I hereby approve the amendments to the Philippine Civil Aviation Regulations Parts 1, 8, and 9:

AMENDED REGULATIONS:

PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS PART 1

Filed flight plan (FPL or eFPL). The latest flight plan as filed submitted with an ATS unit by the pilot, an operator or a designated representative for use by ATS units, without any subsequent changes.

Note.— The FPL denotes a filed flight plan exchanged using aeronautical fixed service while eFPL denotes a filed flight plan exchanged using FF-ICE services. The eFPL allows for the exchange of additional information not contained within the FPL.

Flight plan. Specified information provided to air traffic services units, relative to an intended flight or portion of a flight of an aircraft.

Note 1.— The term flight plan may be prefixed by the words "preliminary", "filed", "current" or "operational" to indicate the context and different stages of a flight.

Note 2.— When the word "message" is used as a suffix to this term, it denotes the content and format of the flight plan data as transmitted.



Preliminary flight plan (PFP). The information related to a flight submitted by an operator or a designated representative to conduct collaborative planning of a flight, prior to filing a flight plan.

PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS PART 8

8.6.2.3 WEATHER REPORTS AND FORECASTS

- (a) Before commencing a flight, the PIC shall be familiar with all available meteorological information appropriate to the intended flight.
- (b) The PIC shall include, during preparation for a flight away from the vicinity of the place of departure, and for every flight under the IFR:
 - (1) A study of available current weather reports and forecasts; and
 - (2) The planning of an alternative course of action to provide for the eventuality that the flight cannot be completed as planned, because of weather conditions.

Note 1.— It is the practice in some States to declare, for flight planning purposes, higher minima for an aerodrome when nominated as an alternate, than for the same aerodrome when planned as that of intended landing.

Note 2.— The requirements for flight plans are contained in Annex 2 — Rules of the Air and the procedures relating to flight plans and associated services are contained in the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Air Traffic Management (PANS-ATM, Doc 4444).

Note 3.— Detailed guidance on the use of the FF-ICE services, including the use of a preliminary flight plan, can be found in the Manual on Flight and Flow — Information for a Collaborative Environment (FF-ICE) (Doc 9965).

8.6.2.6.1 IFR DESTINATION ALTERNATE AIRPORT/HELIPORT

For a flight to be conducted in accordance with the IFR, at least one destination alternate airport/heliport shall be selected and specified in the operational and-ATS filed flight plans, and, if applicable, in the preliminary flight plan, unless:

- (c) Two destination alternate aerodromes shall be selected and specified in the operational and ATS filed flight plans and, if applicable, in the preliminary flight plan, when, for the destination aerodrome

8.6.2.12 EN ROUTE ALTERNATE AIRPORTS: EDTO OPERATIONS

- (a) The PIC shall ensure that the required en route alternates for EDTO are selected and specified in ATC filed flight plans, and, if applicable, in the preliminary flight plan in accordance with the EDTO diversion time approved by the Authority.

8.12.1.3 FUNCTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH OPERATIONAL CONTROL

- (13) Operational instructions involving a change in the ATS filed or current flight plan, shall when practicable, be coordinated with the appropriate ATS unit before transmission to the aircraft.

8.12.1.4 OPERATIONAL CONTROL DUTIES

- (a) A flight operations officer/flight dispatcher in conjunction with a method of control and supervision of flight operations in accordance with Subpart 9.1.1.6 (c) shall:
 - (1) Assist the PIC in flight preparation and provide the relevant information required;
 - (2) Assist the PIC in preparing the operational flight plan and ATS the flight plans to be filed;
 - (3) When applicable, assist the pilot-in-command in preparing the preliminary flight plan, and submit it to a unit designated by the appropriate ATS authority;
 - (4) Sign, when applicable, and file the flight plan to a unit designated by the appropriate ATS authority;
 - (35) Sign the dispatch copy of the flight release and file the ATS flight plan with the appropriate ATS unit;
 - (46) Furnish the PIC while in flight, by appropriate means, with information which may be necessary for the safe conduct of the flight; and
 - (7) notify the appropriate ATS unit when the position of the airplane cannot be determined by an aircraft tracking capability, and attempts to establish communication are unsuccessful.

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Note 2.— Detailed guidance on the use of the FF-ICE services, including the use of a preliminary flight plan, can be found in the Manual on Flight and Flow — Information for a Collaborative Environment (FF-ICE) (Doc 9965).

8.6.2.16 FLIGHT PLANNING DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION AND RETENTION – COMMERCIAL AIR TRANSPORT

Note 1.— These documents are in addition to those specified in Subpart 8.2 for all aircraft operations.

Note 2.— The Authority may approve a different retention location where all documents can be available for subsequent review.

Note 3.— The requirements for flight plans are contained in Annex 2 — Rules of the Air and the procedures relating to flight plans and associated services are contained in the Procedures for Air Navigation Services — Air Traffic Management (PANS-ATM, Doc 4444). Note 4: Detailed guidance on the use of the FF-ICE services, including the use of a preliminary flight plan, can be found in the Manual on Flight and Flow — Information for a Collaborative Environment.

PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS PART 9

9.7.1.2 SAFETY MANAGEMENT

- (f) An operator of an airplane of a certificated take-off mass in excess of 20,000-15 000 kg (and a helicopter of a certificated take-off mass in excess of 7,000 kg or having a passenger seating configuration of more than 9 and fitted with flight data recorder) should establish and maintain a flight data analysis program as part of its safety management system.

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- (k) All airplanes of a certificated take-off mass in excess of:
- (1) 27 000 kg; or
 - (2) 15 000 kg with a passenger seating capacity greater than 19, and with a certificate of airworthiness first issued on or after 1 January 2027 shall be equipped with a means to support a flight data analysis program.
- (l) The operator of an airplane equipped as described in 9.7.1.2 (h) shall establish and maintain a flight data analysis program as part of its safety management system.

“End of Text”

Separability Clause. If, for any reason, any provision of this Memorandum Circular is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other part or parts thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Memorandum Circular are hereby repealed, superseded, or modified accordingly.

Determination of Changes. To highlight the amendments and/or revisions in the Memorandum Circular, the deleted text shall be shown with strikethrough and the new inserted text shall be highlighted with grey shading, as illustrated below:

Text deleted: ~~Text to be deleted is shown with a line through it.~~

New text inserted: **New text is highlighted with grey shading.**

New text replacing existing text: ~~Text to be deleted is shown with a line through it~~ followed by the replacement text which is **highlighted with grey shading.**

Effectivity. This Memorandum Circular shall take effect 15 days after compliance with the requisite publication in a single newspaper of general circulation and a copy filed with the U.P. Law Center – Office of the National Administrative Register, these amendments shall be incorporated into the Philippine CAR, series of 2024.

Signed this 09 day of OCT 2024, CAAP, Pasay City


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