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OPERATIONS IN OR NEAR CONFLICT ZONES

Persons affected include operators of San Marino registered aircraft.

1. Introduction

Operators of San Marino registered aircraft are advised that, from time to time, particular areas or locations may become conflict zones whereby the security of aircraft and airspace cannot be assured. The aim of this circular is to ensure operators are aware of the risks and encouraged to take all reasonable steps to ensure safe operations.

2. CAA Policy

The safety and security of an aircraft operation in or near a particular geographical area or location is entirely the responsibility of the aircraft operator. Unless there are sanctions or the operations may not be in the national interest of San Marino, the CAA does not make any determination.

The operator is responsible for allowing such operations in conflict zones in accordance with the following requirements.

3. Requirement

The operator is required to carefully consider the risks and the potential consequences of operations in or near conflict zones whether or not they are officially publicised.

All operators of large or turbo-jet aircraft operating privately, as well as all commercial air transport operators are required to have a Safety Management System (SMS).



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It is required that those operators use SMS principles to conduct a safety and security risk assessment, taking into account global airspace risks communicated by States and/or third parties, including NOTAMs and AICs and any other sources.

Furthermore, the CAA requires that private operators of small aircraft not required to have a SMS, also conduct a risk assessment.

4. Safety and Security

As the nature of conflict and the area/airspace affected may change unexpectedly, the operator is advised to update their risk assessment(s) according to the circumstances and the information available.

The CAA does not need to sight any risk assessment conducted prior to any operation but the operator is required to retain those documents for review during the CAA's periodic oversight activities.

The following information may be useful;

- (a) ICAO Conflict Zone Information (<https://www.icao.int/czir>) contains a State's own source of information related to risks to civil aviation.

Note: States with conflict zones are not likely to advise ICAO.

- (b) EASA Conflict Zone Information Bulletins. <https://www.easa.europa.eu/easa-and-you/air-operations/czibs> or search using "CZIB".
- (c) NOTAMs and State Aeronautical Publications (AIC);
- (d) News and media reports.
- (e) ICAO Doc. 10084 – Risk Assessment Manual for Civil Aircraft Operations over or near Conflict Zones (available upon request from CAA)



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Note: Information Circular 13 on Operations not in the National Interest should also be reviewed

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