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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

NO. 726

02 JULY 2020

DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002

**AMENDMENT OF DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 4(7)(b),  
READ WITH REGULATION 43(1)(a), OF THE REGULATIONS MADE UNDER  
SECTION 27(2) OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF  
2002): MEASURES TO ADDRESS, PREVENT AND COMBAT THE SPREAD OF  
COVID-19 IN THE AIR SERVICES**

I, Fikile Mbalula, the Minister of Transport, after consultation with the Cabinet members responsible for cooperative governance and traditional affairs, health, police and justice and correctional services, in terms of regulation 4(7)(b), read with regulation 43(1)(a), of the Regulations made under section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), hereby amend direction 5 and direction 5A, as published under Government Notice No. 438, in *Government Gazette* No. 43189 of 31 March 2020, and amended under Government Notice No. 615, published in *Government Gazette* No. 43375 of 30 May 2020, as set out in the Schedule.



MR F.A. MBALULA, MP

MINISTER OF TRANSPORT

DATE: 01 July 2020

## SCHEDULE

### 1. Definitions

In these directions, the "Directions" means the Directions on measures to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19 in the Air Services, published under Government Notice No. 438, in *Government Gazette* No. 43189 of 31 March 2020, and amended under Government Notice No. 659, published in *Government Gazette* No. 43375 of 30 May 2020.

### 2. Amendment of direction 5 of Directions

Direction 5 of the Directions is hereby amended by the substitution for direction 5 of the following direction:

#### "5 International flights and domestic flights

- (1) (a) All international passenger flights are prohibited, except those flights authorised by the Minister of Transport.
- (b) Domestic passenger flights are permitted, subject to the following conditions:
- (i) Domestic passenger air travel is permitted only for purposes listed in regulation 33(4) and Table 2 of the Regulations made under section 27(2) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), published under Government Notice No. R. 480 of *Government Gazette* No. 43258 of 29 April 2020, as amended by Government Notice No. R 714, in *Government Gazette* No. 43476 of 25 June 2020; and
  - (ii) domestic passenger flights are permitted in the following domestic airports:
    - (aa) Bram Fischer International Airport;
    - (bb) Cape Town International Airport;
    - (cc) King Shaka International Airport;

- (dd) Kruger Mpumalanga International Airport;
- (ee) Lanseria International Airport;
- (ff) OR Tambo International Airport;
- (gg) Pietermaritzburg Airport;
- (hh) Port Elizabeth International Airport;
- (ii) Richardsbay Airport;
- (jj) Skukuza Airport; and
- (kk) Upington International Airport".

### 3. Amendment of direction 5B of Directions

Direction 5B of the Directions is hereby amended by the substitution for direction 5B of the following direction:

#### "5B General aviation

- (1) All aerial work is permitted for the following purposes:
  - (a) Agricultural spraying, seeding and dusting;
  - (b) cloud spraying, seeding and dusting;
  - (c) culling;
  - (d) construction;
  - (e) aerial harvesting;
  - (f) aerial patrol, observation and survey;
  - (g) aerial advertisement, including banner towing and other towing of objects;
  - (h) search and rescue;
  - (i) parachuting;
  - (j) aerial recording by photographic or electronic means;
  - (k) fire spotting, control and fighting; and
  - (l) spraying, seeding or dusting other than for agricultural purposes and clouds.
- (2) General aviation is permitted for the following purposes:
  - (a) Approved regional repositioning flights for all South African and foreign registered aircraft into and from South Africa, for return

- after maintenance and repair, to perform maintenance and repair or to continue with contractual work within South Africa or foreign countries within the region;
- (b) exchanging of crew members operating in foreign countries, as and when required;
  - (c) transportation of aviation technicians, mechanics and engineers internationally for essential support and assistance to aircraft; and
  - (d) proficiency flights: Provided that the flights are authorised by the South African Civil Aviation Authority and remain within the general flying area, airfield or airport boundaries.
- (3) Recreational aviation is permitted to conduct proficiency flights: Provided that the flights are authorised by the South African Civil Aviation Authority and remain within the general flying area, airfield or airport boundaries."

#### **Commencement**

4. This amendment comes into effect on the date of publication thereof in the *Government Gazette*.