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IMPLEMENTATION OF CIVIL AVIATION (AIRWORTHINESS) REGULATIONS 2022.

1. This serves to notify the industry that the Republic of Botswana has promulgated the Civil Aviation (Airworthiness) Regulations 2022 (hereinafter referred to as “the new Regulations”). These regulations revoked and replaced the Airworthiness Regulations of 2012 (hereinafter referred to as the “old regulations”). The new Regulations are available in the CAAB website (www.caab.co.bw) and are now in force. The industry is expected to start implementing them with immediate effect. Guidelines for implementation are described below:

2. Aircraft Certificates, Permits and Approvals and Other Documents

2.1 A licence, certificate, permit, approval or any other document issued under the old regulations (i.e. before 21st February 2022) will continue to be in force until it expires or is cancelled by the Authority. This includes:

- Type Acceptance Certificate
- Certificate of Airworthiness (C of A)
- Authorization of Foreign Issued C of A
- Permit to Fly
- Special Flight Permit
- Export Airworthiness Certificate/Approval
- Aircraft Noise Certificate
- Aircraft Maintenance Approvals

2.2 This effectively means they will continue to be valid as indicated in the document unless the Authority states otherwise.

3. Applications for Aircraft Certificates, Permits and Approvals

- 3.1 With immediate effect, an application made to CAAB for **initial issue or renewal** of any of the documents in paragraph 2.1 above should be in accordance with the new Regulations. The Authority will avail updated guidance material (Airworthiness Circulars) and forms to guide prospective applicants in this regard.
- 3.2 Operators should review (and amend as necessary) airworthiness related manuals previously approved by CAAB and submit the amendments for approval of the revisions. These manuals include: Approved Maintenance Programme (**AMP**), Maintenance Control Manual (**MCM**), and Minimum Equipment List (**MEL**). The amendments should be submitted as soon as practicable, but not later than the expiry of the Certificate of Airworthiness (C of A) of the aircraft to which the manuals relate, as that may delay C of A renewal or other processes concerning the aircraft.
- 3.3 Each amendment submitted to the Authority should have an updated List of Effective Pages, Table of Contents (where applicable), and all the affected pages bearing document control features. Each submission should be accompanied by a Statement of Compliance describing how it addresses the requirements of the new Regulations.

This AIC becomes effective immediately.