



THE CIVIL AVIATION (ROYAL VISIT) REGULATIONS 1973

DENIS BLUNDELL, Governor-General

ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 17th day of December 1973

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Civil Aviation Act 1964, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

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REGULATIONS

1. Title—These regulations may be cited as the Civil Aviation (Royal Visit) Regulations 1973.

2. Interpretation—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Director” means the Director of the Civil Aviation Division of the Ministry of Transport;

“Royal Flight” means the aircraft carrying Her Majesty the Queen or any member of the Royal Family.

(2) Terms and expressions defined in the Civil Aviation Regulations 1953* shall, when used in these regulations, have the meanings so defined.

*S.R. 1953/108 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 14: S.R. 1970/173)
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1970/253
Amendment No. 16: S.R. 1972/91
Amendment No. 17: S.R. 1972/172
Amendment No. 18: S.R. 1973/158

3. Application—These regulations shall apply to all aircraft registered in or flying over New Zealand except aircraft of the Royal Flight and aircraft appointed to undertake ceremonial, escort, or support duties to the Royal Flight.

4. Director may prescribe temporarily controlled airspaces—(1) The Director may from time to time, by notices to airmen promulgated in such manner as he thinks fit, prescribe temporarily controlled airspaces in respect of air routes and aerodromes to be used by the Royal Flight.

(2) Any such temporarily controlled airspaces shall, in any notice to airmen issued under these regulations, be referred to as purple airways, purple control zones, or purple control areas.

(3) Any such notice to airmen shall prescribe the period or periods during which any purple airway, purple control zone, or purple control area to which it relates shall remain in existence.

(4) The lateral and vertical dimensions of every purple airway, purple control zone, and purple control area established pursuant to these regulations shall be defined in the appropriate notice to airmen.

(5) Danger areas prescribed in respect of any of the operations of any of Her Majesty's Forces and situated within 5 nautical miles of an area for the time being prescribed under these regulations as a purple airway, purple control zone, or purple control area shall not be used in connection with any such operations.

(6) Every pilot of an aircraft to which these regulations apply shall be deemed to have knowledge of the contents of every notice to airmen issued under these regulations, unless he proves to the contrary.

5. Restrictions on flying near purple airway, purple control zone, or purple control area—(1) No person shall fly any aircraft to which these regulations apply within a purple airway, purple control zone, or purple control area within the times stated in the appropriate notice to airmen unless authorised to do so by Air Traffic Control.

(2) If a purple airway, purple control zone, or purple control area established under these regulations coincides in whole or in part with an existing control area or control zone established pursuant to the Civil Aviation Regulations 1953, the existing control area or control zone shall be deemed to be subject in all respects to these regulations except so far as the space or area to which it relates is outside the space or area of a purple airway, purple control zone, or purple control area.

6. Restrictions on flying near public gatherings attended by Her Majesty, etc.—Except with the permission in writing of the Director and in accordance with such conditions as may be specified in the written permission, and except when landing at or taking off from an aerodrome within a control zone established pursuant to the Civil Aviation Regulations 1953, no person shall fly an aircraft at a height of less than 3,000 ft over or within an area bounded by the circumference of a circle having a radius of 3 nautical miles centred on the place of any open air public gathering attended by Her Majesty the Queen or any other member of the Royal Family during the period commencing 1 hour before the advertised arrival at the gathering of Her Majesty or other member of the Royal Family and ending 1 hour after the departure of Her Majesty or other member of the Royal Family, as the case may be.

7. Restrictions on flying near ship carrying Her Majesty, etc.—The restrictions which shall apply in respect of aircraft which are flown in the vicinity of any ship carrying Her Majesty the Queen or a member of the Royal Family shall be those which are prescribed in the appropriate notice to airmen.

8. Offences—Every person commits an offence against these regulations who, without lawful justification, authority, or excuse,—

- (a) Knowingly contravenes any provision of these regulations or of any notice to airmen issued under these regulations; or
- (b) Knowingly omits to comply with any such provision.

9. Penalties—Every person who commits an offence against these regulations shall be liable on summary conviction to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months or to a fine not exceeding \$400, or to both.

10. Expiry of regulations—These regulations shall expire on the 20th day of February 1974 and shall thereupon be deemed to be revoked.

P. G. MILLEN,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations provide for the establishment of special airways, control zones, and control areas in respect of aircraft carrying Her Majesty the Queen or members of the Royal Family during the Royal visit. During specified periods no aircraft will be permitted to operate in such airways, control zones, or control areas unless they have obtained approval to do so from Air Traffic Control.

Restrictions are also imposed on aircraft flying in the vicinity of ships carrying the Royal Family or of open air gatherings at which a member of the Royal Family will be present.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Ministry of Transport.