

Miscellaneous

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General Exemption E 4102

Requirement to hold a Flight Radiotelephony Operator Licence

UK registered Balloon Radiotelephony operators

- 1) The United Kingdom Civil Aviation Authority (the CAA), in exercise of its powers under article 242 of the Air Navigation Order 2009 (the Order), exempts the persons identified in paragraph 2, from the provisions specified in paragraph 3, subject to the condition specified in paragraph 4.
- 2) This exemption applies to any person acting as a flight radiotelephony operator on a UK registered balloon.
- 3) The provisions from which the specified persons are exempt are article 50(3) and article 50A(1) and (3) that a person must not act as a flight radiotelephony operator of an EASA aircraft or of a non-EASA aircraft that is registered in the United Kingdom, including an excepted aircraft, without holding a flight radiotelephony operator licence granted, converted or rendered valid under the Air Navigation Order in order to act as a flight radiotelephony operator within the United Kingdom.
- 4) The condition is that the person acting as the flight radiotelephony operator does not communicate by radiotelephony with any air traffic control unit, flight information unit or air/ground communications service unit.
- 5) In this Exemption—
 - (1) “article” means an article of the Air Navigation Order;
 - (2) “Air Navigation Order” means the Air Navigation Order 2009, as amended; and
 - (3) other terms used have the same meaning as in the Air Navigation Order unless otherwise specified.
- 6) This exemption comes into force on the date it is published and remains in force until revoked.

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Explanatory Note

The purpose of this exemption is to exempt balloon pilots from the requirement to hold a flight radiotelephony operator licence in order to communicate with other balloons operating in the same locality and with balloon ground crew.