

Commission Regulation (EU) No 1332/2011 of 16 December 2011
laying down common airspace usage requirements and operating
procedures for airborne collision avoidance (Text with EEA relevance)

Article 1

Subject matter and scope

This Regulation lays down common airspace usage requirements and operating procedures for airborne collision avoidance to be fulfilled by:

- (a) operators of aircraft referred to under Article 4(1)(b) and (c) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 undertaking flights into, within or out of the Union; and
- (b) operators of aircraft referred to under Article 4(1)(d) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 undertaking flights within the airspace above the territory to which the Treaty applies as well as in any other airspace where Member States apply Regulation (EC) No 551/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽¹⁾.

Article 2

Definitions

For the purposes of this Regulation the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) ‘airborne collision avoidance system (ACAS)’ means an aircraft system based on secondary surveillance radar (SSR) transponder signals which operates independently of ground-based equipment to provide advice to the pilot on potential conflicting aircraft that are equipped with SSR transponders;
- (2) ‘airborne collision avoidance system II (ACAS II)’ means an airborne collision avoidance system which provides vertical resolution advisories in addition to traffic advisories;
- (3) ‘resolution advisory (RA) indication’ means an indication given to the flight crew recommending a manoeuvre intended to provide separation from all threats or a manoeuvre restriction intended to maintain existing separation;
- (4) ‘traffic advisory (TA) indication’ means an indication given to the flight crew that the proximity of another aircraft is a potential threat.

Article 3

Airborne collision avoidance system (ACAS)

1 The aeroplanes referred to in Section I of the Annex to this Regulation shall be equipped with and operated in accordance with the rules and procedures as specified in the Annex.

2 Member States shall ensure that operation of aeroplanes referred to in Article 1(2)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 comply with the rules and procedures specified in the Annex in accordance with the conditions set out in that Article.

Article 4

**Special provisions applying to operators subject
to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91⁽²⁾**

1 By derogation from provisions OPS 1.668 and OPS 1.398 of Annex III to Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91, Article 3 and the Annex to this Regulation shall apply for operators of aeroplanes referred to in Article 1(a).

2 Any other obligation imposed on air operators by Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 as regards the approval, installation or operation of equipment shall continue to apply to ACAS II.

Article 5

Entry into force and application

1 This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

2 Articles 3 and 4 shall apply as of 1 March 2012.

3 By way of derogation from paragraph 2, in the case of aircraft with an individual certificate of airworthiness issued before 1 March 2012, the provisions of Article 3 and 4 shall apply as of 1 December 2015.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 16 December 2011.

For the Commission

The President

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Status: This is the original version (as it was originally adopted).

- (1) OJ L 96, 31.3.2004, p. 20.
- (2) OJ L 373, 31.12.1991, p. 4.