

Civil Aviation Act 1971

1971 CHAPTER 75

PART II

REGULATION OF CIVIL AVIATION

Operation of aerodromes by the Authority

31 Byelaws

- (1) The Authority may, in respect of any aerodrome in the United Kingdom which is owned or managed by it, make byelaws for regulating the use and operation of the aerodrome and the conduct of all persons while within the aerodrome, and in particular byelaws—
 - (a) for securing the safety of aircraft, vehicles and persons using the aerodrome and preventing danger to the public arising from the use and operation of the aerodrome;
 - (b) for preventing obstruction within the aerodrome;
 - (c) for regulating vehicular traffic anywhere within the aerodrome except on roads to which the road traffic enactments apply, and in particular (with that exception) for imposing speed limits on vehicles within the aerodrome and for restricting or regulating the parking of vehicles or their use for any purpose or in any manner specified in the byelaws;
 - (d) for prohibiting waiting by hackney carriages except at standings appointed by such person as may be specified in the byelaws;
 - (e) for prohibiting or restricting access to any part of the aerodrome;
 - (f) for preserving order within the aerodrome and preventing damage to property in it;
 - (g) for regulating or restricting advertising within the aerodrome;
 - (h) for requiring any person, if so requested by a constable or aerodrome official, to leave the aerodrome or a particular part of it or to state his name and address and the purpose of his being on the aerodrome;

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- (i) for restricting the area which is to be taken as constituting the aerodrome for the purposes of the byelaws.
- (2) A person contravening any byelaws made under this section shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding such amount as may be specified by the byelaws in relation to the contravention, but no amount so specified shall exceed £100.
- (3) Byelaws made under this section shall not have effect until they are confirmed by the Secretary of State, and the provisions of Schedule 7 to this Act shall apply to any such byelaws.
- (4) If, in the case of any aerodrome owned or managed by the Authority, byelaws made or having effect as if made under section 2 of the Civil Aviation Act 1968 (which relates to byelaws for aerodromes of the Secretary of State) were in force in respect of the aerodrome immediately before the date when it vested in or came under the management of the Authority, the byelaws shall have effect as if made and confirmed under this section but with the substitution of references to the Authority for references to the Secretary of State and with any other necessary modifications.
- (5) In this section—
 - " aerodrome official " means a person authorised by the Authority to act for the purposes of byelaws made by virtue of paragraph (h) of subsection (1) of this section; and
 - " the road traffic enactments " means the enactments (whether passed before or after this Act) relating to road traffic, including the lighting and parking of vehicles, and any order or other instrument having effect by virtue of any such enactment;

and an aerodrome official shall not exercise any power conferred on him by byelaws made by virtue of the said paragraph (h) without producing written evidence of his authority if he is required to do so.