
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Civil Aviation (Investigation of Air
Accidents and Incidents) Regulations 1996**

Inspector's Report

11.—(1) On completion of an investigation into an accident or incident, the investigating Inspector shall prepare a report of the investigation in a form appropriate to the type and seriousness of the accident or incident.

- (2) If it appears to the investigating Inspector that the investigation of any accident or incident—
- (a) involving a collision between a civil aircraft and a military aircraft, or
 - (b) occurring while a civil aircraft was on, or in the course of taking off from or landing on, an aerodrome controlled by any of Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces or by the naval, military or air forces of any country

has been completed but for the investigation of matters affecting the discipline or internal administration of any of those forces which are more appropriate for the investigation by some other person or body, the investigation may be treated for the purposes of paragraph (1) above as if it had been completed without such matters being investigated under these Regulations. In such a case the report of the investigation into the accident or incident shall state those matters to which the investigation has not extended by reason of this paragraph.

(3) The report of an investigation into an accident shall state the sole objective of the investigation as described in regulation 4 above and, where appropriate, contain safety recommendations.

- (4) The report of an investigation into an incident shall—
- (a) where appropriate, contain relevant safety recommendations;
 - (b) protect the anonymity of the persons involved in the incident; and
 - (c) be circulated by the investigating Inspector to the parties likely to benefit from its findings with regard to safety.

(5) A safety recommendation shall in no case create a presumption of blame or liability for an accident or incident.

(6) The Chief Inspector shall submit a copy of every report prepared pursuant to paragraph (1) above to the Secretary of State without delay.

(7) In this regulation the expression "investigating Inspector" in a case where more than one Inspector is carrying out the task of investigation means the Inspector nominated under regulation 8(10) above.