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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2015 No. 870**

**The Air Navigation (Isle of Man) Order 2015**

**PART 3**

**Airworthiness of aircraft**

**Requirement for a certificate of release to service for aircraft**

**24.**—(1) This article applies to an aircraft registered in the Isle of Man that has a certificate of airworthiness.

(2) Subject to paragraph (3) and article 25, if an aircraft or a part of it or such of its equipment as is necessary for its airworthiness has been overhauled, repaired, replaced, modified, maintained, or has been inspected as provided in article 17(1)(b) or (d), it must not be flown unless there is in force for it a certificate of release to service issued under and in accordance with this Order.

(3) If a repair or replacement of a part of an aircraft or its equipment is carried out when the aircraft is at a place where it is not reasonably practicable—

- (a) for the repair or replacement to be carried out in such a manner that a certificate of release to service under this Order can be issued; or
- (b) for such a certificate to be issued while the aircraft is at that place,

it may fly to a place that satisfies each of the criteria in paragraph (5).

(4) If the aircraft flies in the circumstances referred to in paragraph (3), the commander of the aircraft must cause written information about the flight, and the reasons for making it, to be given to the Department within 10 days.

(5) A place satisfies the criteria in this paragraph if it is—

- (a) the nearest place at which a certificate of release to service under this Order can be issued;
- (b) a place to which the aircraft can, in the reasonable opinion of the commander, safely fly by a route for which it is properly equipped; and
- (c) a place to which it is reasonable to fly having regard to any hazards to the liberty or health of any person on board.

(6) Subject to paragraph (8), equipment provided in compliance with Schedule 3 (except equipment specified in paragraph 4 of the Schedule) must not be installed or placed on board for use in an aircraft after being overhauled, repaired, modified or inspected.

(7) Subject to paragraph (8), radio communication and radio navigation equipment provided for use in an aircraft or in a survival craft carried in an aircraft, whether or not the equipment is provided in compliance with Schedule 4 or any other provision of this Order or any applied regulations, must not be installed or placed on board for use in an aircraft after being overhauled, repaired, modified or inspected.

(8) Equipment specified in paragraphs (6) and (7) may be installed or placed on board for use in an aircraft if there is in force for the equipment, at the time when it is installed or placed on board, a certificate of release to service issued under this Order.