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## **EXEMPTION OF THE DANGEROUS GOODS RECURRENT TRAINING REQUIREMENTS OF THE ICAO TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. EXEMPTION.**

The Belgian Civil Aviation Authority hereby exempts:

- a. Royal Decree of 18 November 2005 to regulate the transport of dangerous goods by air, particularly:
  - i. Chapter IX, article 49
- b. Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (ICAO Doc 9284), particularly:
  - i. Part 1, Chapter 4, §4.2.3

### **2. APPLICABILITY.**

Subject to fulfilling the applicable mitigating conditions as specified in this Exemption, with regard to dangerous goods training certificates, all of the following shall apply:

#### **a. Recurrent dangerous goods training in accordance with the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (ICAO Doc 9284)**

The validity period of all of the following is extended by 4 months or until the end of the application of this Exemption, whichever is the shorter period of time:

- i. Dangerous goods training certificates of categories of staff involved in the transport of dangerous goods as cargo or mail:
  - 1 — Shippers and persons undertaking the responsibilities of shippers
  - 2 — Packers
  - 3 — Staff of freight forwarders involved in processing dangerous goods
  - 4 — Staff of freight forwarders involved in processing cargo or mail (other than dangerous goods)
  - 5 — Staff of freight forwarders involved in the handling, storage and loading of cargo or mail
  - 6 — Operator's and ground handling agent's staff accepting dangerous goods
  - 7 — Operator's and ground handling agent's staff accepting cargo or mail (other than dangerous goods)
  - 8 — Operator's and ground handling agent's staff involved in the handling, storage and loading of cargo or mail and baggage
  - 9 — Passenger handling staff

- 10 — Flight crew members, loadmasters, load planners and flight operations officers/flight dispatchers
  - 11 — Crew members (other than flight crew members)
  - 12 — Security staff who are involved with the screening of passengers and crew and their baggage and cargo or mail, e.g. security screeners, their supervisors and staff involved in implementing security procedures
- ii. Dangerous goods training certificates of categories of staff not involved in the transport of dangerous goods as cargo or mail:
- 13 — Operator's and ground handling agent's staff accepting cargo or mail (other than dangerous goods)
  - 14 — Operator's and ground handling agent's staff involved in the handling, storage and loading of cargo or mail (other than dangerous goods) and baggage
  - 15 — Passenger handling staff
  - 16 — Flight crew members, loadmasters, load planners and flight operations officers/flight dispatchers
  - 17 — Crew members (other than flight crew members)
- iii. Dangerous goods training certificates of staff which are not listed in the above categories but are trained commensurate with their responsibilities with regards to the safe transport of dangerous goods

If, towards the end of the period specified in the introductory sentence of this point (a), the competent authority considers that the reasons for granting the Exemption still apply, the validity period of relevant training and checking may be further extended for a period of up to 4 months or by the end of the application of this Exemption, whichever date comes first.

### 3. CONDITIONS OF EXEMPTION.

This exemption is granted subject to the following conditions:

**a. Employers benefiting from this exemption shall comply with all of the following:**

The employer shall ensure that employees complete additional training through any means in order to compensate for the extended validity of the different training elements of the Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air (ICAO Doc 9284), as applicable. This could be done for example via briefing/leaflet/bulletin/CBT/video.

### 4. VALIDITY.

This exemption is valid from 31 March 2020 until 30 November 2020.



## **5. NOTIFICATION.**

This exemption is notified by the BCAA to:

- EASA Dangerous Goods Expert Group of Member States
- ICAO Cargo Safety Section.

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