

SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR GAZETTE

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CIVIL AVIATION ACT 2009

CIVIL AVIATION (AIR NAVIGATION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2025

In exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 33 of the Civil Aviation Act 2009 and of all other enabling powers, the Minister has made the following Regulations –

Title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Civil Aviation (Air Navigation) (Amendment) Regulations 2025.

Commencement.

2. These Regulations come into operation on the day of publication.

Amendment of the Civil Aviation (Air Navigation) Regulations 2009.

3.(1) The Civil Aviation (Air Navigation) Regulations 2009 are amended in accordance with this regulation.

(2) In regulation 2(1), after the definition of “airfield operator” insert –

“ “Airport Fire and Rescue Service” means the rescue and firefighting services provided at Gibraltar Airport which are specifically dedicated to the support of safety in aircraft operation;”.

(3) After section 102 insert –

“Powers of Airport Fire and Rescue Service in an emergency.

102A.(1) A member of the Airport Fire and Rescue Service may do anything at Gibraltar Airport the member reasonably believes to be necessary –

- (a) if the member reasonably believes a fire to have broken out or to be about to break out, for the purpose of extinguishing or preventing the fire or protecting life or property;
- (b) if the member reasonably believes an aircraft accident or incident to have occurred, for the purpose of rescuing people or protecting them from serious harm; or

- (c) for the purpose of preventing or limiting damage to property resulting from any action taken as mentioned in paragraphs (a) or (b).
- (2) In particular, a member of the Airport Fire and Rescue Service, when acting in accordance with subregulation (1), may –
 - (a) enter an aircraft, by force if necessary, without the consent of the owner or operator;
 - (b) restrict the access of persons to an aircraft, premises or a place.
- (3) Nothing in this regulation permits a member of the Airport Fire and Rescue Service to enter any part of the runway or its associated strip at Gibraltar Airport during any period that Gibraltar Airport is open, without receiving prior clearance to do so by the air traffic control unit at Gibraltar Airport.”

Dated: 16th January 2025.

J GARCIA,
Minister with responsibility for Civil Aviation.

EXPLANATORY MOMORANDUM

These Regulations amend the Civil Aviation (Air Navigation) Regulations 2009 in order to grant powers to the Airport Fire and Rescue Service at Gibraltar Airport.