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## **OPERATIONS CIRCULAR NO. 3 OF 2006**

### **Subject: Carriage of Dangerous Goods**

It is observed that Chapter on Dangerous Goods in Operations Manual of various Operators is different in its contents and policy from operator to operator. Following aspects may be included in the Chapter on Dangerous Goods in Operations Manual to ensure standardization and uniform compliance by all operators:

#### **(a) Introduction**

This aspect should adequately cover the need for observance of all the safety precautions pertaining to the carriage of dangerous goods by air, as provided in the Aircraft (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules, 2003. For carriage of arms and ammunition by air, a reference may be made to rule 8 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937. The operator's commitment to comply with these provisions shall be stated in clear and unambiguous terms.

#### **(b) Training**

It shall be clearly stated by the operator that it shall comply with all the provisions regarding establishment and maintenance of the approved dangerous goods training programmes as specified in rule 12 of the Aircraft (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules, 2003, and also in the CAR Section 3 – Air Transport, Series 'L', Part-III

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dated 04-10-2006. The categories of personnel and the duration of different courses shall also be indicated. The operator shall also ensure that the training of all relevant categories of personnel shall be kept current by conducting refresher courses within the stipulated period.

**(c) Carriage of Dangerous Goods**

It shall be clearly mentioned in the Operations Manual that the operator shall engage in the carriage of dangerous goods only if certified to do so by DGCA. In case it is permitted to carry dangerous goods, all the provisions of rule 3 of the Aircraft (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules, 2003, shall also be complied with in letter and spirit.

**(d) Operator's Responsibilities**

The operator shall make a commitment to discharge all the responsibilities of the operator as specified in rule 9 of the Aircraft (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules, 2003. These responsibilities shall also be listed in the Operations Manual for ease of reference to all the employees of the operator as well as for convenience of other users.

**(e) Emergency Response**

Every operator authorized to transport dangerous goods shall establish adequate in-flight procedures for emergency response for aircraft incidents involving dangerous goods. These emergency response procedures shall be based on the Emergency Response Guidance (ICAO Doc. 9481 AN/928) and shall be spelt out in the Operations Manual in clear and simple language so as to enable the pilot-in-command to handle the emergency effectively and without any loss of time.

**(f) Provisions of Information**

In this part, the duties of the operator in regard to provisions of information, as provided in rule 10 of the Aircraft (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules, 2003, shall be listed in clear and simple language for use by the pilot-in-command and other employees of the operator engaged in the transport of dangerous goods by air.

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**(g) Dangerous Goods Accidents/Incidents**

The responsibilities of the operator in regard to submission of reports about the dangerous goods accidents/incidents are contained in rule 11 of the Aircraft (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules, 2003. These shall be listed in the Operations Manual with an undertaking by the operator that compliance with these responsibilities shall be ensured.

The Operations Circular is issued for information and compliance of all Scheduled Operators.

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