

NEW HEBRIDES CONDOMINIUM

JOINT REGULATION

NO. 24 of 1974

TO PROVIDE for the control of access by the public to airfields open for public air traffic in the New Hebrides and for matters incidental thereto.

MADE by the Resident Commissioners under the provisions of Articles 2:2 and 7 of the Anglo-French Protocol of 1914.

Power to make
Joint Rules

1. (1) The Resident Commissioners may subject to the provisions of this Regulation by Joint Rules prohibit access by the general public or such persons as may be specified therein to such part or parts of any airfield or airfields in the New Hebrides open for public air traffic (hereinafter called "public service airfields") as they may consider necessary for the safety of the public and the safe and efficient operation of public service airfields.

(2) Subject to anything hereinafter provided, such Joint Rules may empower to commandant of any public airfield to take such measures as may be specified therein to ensure compliance with the said Joint Rules.

Provision as
to inclusion
of certain
matters in
Joint Rules

2. (1) Any Joint Rules made in accordance with this Regulation may provide for any public service airfield to be divided in such manner as may be specified therein into zones or areas and for access by the general public or such other persons as may be specified therein to be controlled by reference to such zones or areas.

(2) Any Joint Rules made in accordance with this Regulation may also provide for

(a) the access of vehicles to any public service airfield to be limited in such manner as may be specified therein; and

(b) the grazing of animals on or access or admittance of any animals to any part of a public service airfield to be prohibited.

Powers of
Police to
enter public
airfields

3. Police officers of both Divisions of the New Hebrides Constabulary are hereby empowered to initiate and pursue any action in accordance with their general duty of maintaining public order in all buildings and all zones or areas of public service airfields :

Provided however that such right of access by police officers to any part or parts of a public service airfield to which access by the public is prohibited shall be exercised in accordance with Joint Rules made by the Resident Commissioners under this section in respect of such right of access by police officers.

Removal and
punishment

4. Without affecting the generality of the foregoing sections, any Joint Rules made pursuant to this Regulation may make provision for

- (a) the removal from any public service airfield of any person who has refused to obey a lawful request of the airfield commandant or any police officer that such person leave an area or zone of the airfield to which access by such person is prohibited; and
- (b) the imposition of a penalty not exceeding 15,000 FNH or its equivalent in Australian currency at the official rate of exchange or a term of imprisonment not exceeding one month or both such fine or imprisonment in the event of conviction for breach of such Joint Rules.

5. This Regulation may be cited as the Joint Control of Access to Public Service Airfields Regulation No. 24 of 1974 and shall come into operation on the date of its publication in the Condominium Gazette.

MADE at Vila this twenty-second day of August, 1974.

The Resident Commissioner
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