

Whereas the Director General, Aviation Security is of the opinion that it is in the public interest and not likely to adversely affect aviation safety or security to exempt certain air operators from the application of sections 3, 4, and 7 of the *Interim Order to Prevent Certain Persons from Boarding Flights in Canada due to COVID-19*.

Therefore, the Director General, Aviation Security, pursuant to subsection 5.9(2) of the *Aeronautics Act*, hereby makes the annexed **Aviation Security Exemption 2020-35**.

Ottawa, ____ April, 2020.

Wendy Nixon
Director General
Aviation Security
for the Minister of Transport

AVIATION SECURITY EXEMPTION NO. 2020-35

APPLICATION

1. This exemption applies to air operators operating medical evacuation (MEDEVAC) flights departing an aerodrome in Canada.

PURPOSE

2. The purpose of this exemption is to allow air operators to board persons without conducting a health check or asking questions as required in the *Interim Order to Prevent Certain Persons from Boarding Flights in Canada due to COVID-19* (the Order) when operating MEDEVAC flights departing an aerodrome in Canada.

CONDITIONS

3. Certain air operators are exempt from sections 3, 4, and 7 of the Order, in regards to ill or injured persons and accompanying medical personnel, when operating MEDEVAC flights, as defined in the *Canadian Aviation Regulations*, provided that:

- (a) the MEDEVAC flight is authorized by a provincial or territorial health authority;
- (b) the aircraft is suitably configured and equipped for MEDEVAC;
- (c) the ill or injured person is being accompanied by medical personnel;
- (d) the other passengers, if applicable, undergo a health check prior to boarding as per the Order;
- (e) the air operator has been provided reasonable notice that an ill or injured person is potentially infected by COVID-19; and
- (f) appropriate measures, as recommended by public health authorities, are taken for crew members and other passengers on the flight.

EFFECTIVE PERIOD

4. This exemption is in effect from the day it is signed until the earliest of the following:

- (a) 23:59 ET on September 30, 2020;

- (b) the day on which any of the conditions set out in this exemption is breached;
- (c) the date on which this exemption is repealed in writing by the Director General or a person fulfilling the duties of the Director General where they are of the opinion it is no longer in the public interest or that it is likely to adversely affect aviation safety or security; or
- (d) the day on which the Order is no longer in effect.