

BULGARIA

LAW ON AERIAL NAVIGATION (DV No. 68, MARCH 24, 1948) AND
REGULATION CONCERNING CONTROL OVER AERIAL NAVIGATION (DV
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LAW ON AERIAL NAVIGATION ¹

Section 1. The State shall have the monopoly of aerial navigation in the country. Aircraft and all aeronautical equipment shall belong to it.

Public organizations and private persons may not possess and use aircraft without permission from the Council of Ministers.

Section 2. The administration of civil aerial navigation shall organize and direct all activities of civil aviation. Exceptions shall be made upon decision of the Council of Ministers.

The organization, work structure, and scope of activity of civil aerial navigation [as well as], the rights and duties of its employees shall be governed by a regulation approved by the Council of Ministers.

This organization, work structure, and scope of activity of the [military] air forces [as well as] the rights and duties of their employees shall be governed by the law on the armed forces.

The organization and scope of activity of air sport shall be governed by a regulation approved by the Council of Ministers.

Section 3. Civil aircraft must be entered on the register for aircraft at the administration of civil aerial navigation. On registration they shall receive proper insignia and documents.

In order to fly, civil aircraft and persons who are aboard must meet the requirements prescribed in the special regulation approved by the Council of Ministers.

Section 4. Persons who have obtained training in aerial navigation shall receive a certificate of qualification (brevet).

Section 5. Foreign aircraft may fly over the country and land in it only with special permission, while aircraft of States with which Bulgaria has entered into an aerial navigation convention [shall fly] in accordance therewith.

The crew and passengers of these airplanes must possess the necessary documents and permits according to the laws and regulations of the country.

Section 6. Aircraft which fly over Bulgarian territory and persons traveling aboard may not carry objects of such a nature as to endanger the security of the country or to present a danger for the passengers and the aircraft.

Section 7. Air traffic over certain areas may be prohibited temporarily or permanently, entirely or up to a certain altitude.

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