

NETHERLANDS

AVIATION ACT¹

CHAPTER I—DEFINITIONS

Article 1.

For the purposes of this Act, and any orders made thereunder, the following terms have the following meanings:—

- a. Air navigation: the use of aircraft;
- b. Aircraft: machines that can derive support in the atmosphere from the reactions of the air, including or excepting machines to be designated by Order in Council;
- c. Aeroplanes: mechanically-propelled heavier-than-air aircraft;
- d. Proprietor of an aerodrome: the person in whom an aerodrome is vested pursuant to this Act;
- e. Dutch aircraft: aircraft which have been registered in a Dutch register of aircraft, or in respect of which the provisions of the second paragraph of Article 4 have been applied with regard to the registration;
- f. Foreign aircraft: aircraft registered in a foreign register of aircraft;
- g. Aerodromes: parts of the Netherlands designated pursuant to this Act for the taking off and landing of aircraft;
- h. Our Minister: insofar as civil aviation and the general safety of air traffic are concerned: Our Minister of Transport and "Waterstaat"; insofar as military aviation is concerned: Our Minister of War and Our Minister of the Navy, each inasmuch as he is concerned.

Article 2.

For the purposes of this Act, and any orders made thereunder, the following terms also have the following meanings:—

- a. Pilot-in-command: a person who operates an aircraft alone;
- b. Operation of an aircraft: the performance of actions on board an aircraft for the use of that aircraft;
- c. Land: areas of water;
- d. Buildings: structures, scaffolding, overhead lines, dykes and quays.

CHAPTER II—GENERAL SAFETY OF TRAFFIC

Article 3.

Insofar as powers with respect to the general safety of air traffic are conferred upon Our Minister of Transport and *Waterstaat* by or in virtue of this Act, he shall not exercise these powers except in agreement with Our Minister of War and Our Minister of the Navy, each inasmuch as he is concerned.

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