

## Article 18

II. Duty to land. Any aircraft may be ordered to land for reasons of public order and safety. It must immediately obey the signals ordering it to land.

Any aircraft which unlawfully uses the Swiss airspace must land on the nearest customs airport in order to be put under the control of the authorities of jurisdiction. It shall remain impounded until permission for it to fly is given by the Federal Air Office.

## Article 19

III. Signal service. The Federal Air Office shall prescribe rules concerning the signal service.

## Article 20

IV. Navigation on, and above, waterways. The Department of the Post Office and Railroads shall prescribe special rules for the use of Swiss waterways and the airspace above them by aircraft, with due consideration of the interests of shipping. The Cantonal governments concerned shall be heard in advance.

## Article 21

V. Exercise of air police power. The exercise of air police power shall belong to the authorities designated by the Federal Council.

The general police powers of the Federal Government and of those of the Cantons over airports and other areas of the land used for air navigation shall not thereby be affected.

## Article 22

VI. Accidents of aircraft. 1. Rescue service. The Federal Air Office may prescribe rules for the organization of the rescue service in case of accidents of aircraft.

## Article 23

2. First measures. The local authorities and the air police authorities shall inform the Federal Air Office of accidents of aircraft by the fastest means available.

The local authorities shall ascertain that, except for measures necessary in the rescue, no change is made at the place of accident that may hinder the investigation.

## Article 24

3. Administrative investigation of the causes of the accident. The administrative investigation in case of an accident shall be conducted by the Federal Air Office, in cooperation with the Cantonal authority of jurisdiction at the place of the accident. The officials charged with the investigation shall have the right to take all measures that are useful for the determination of the causes of the accident, including a hearing for the purpose of obtaining information from the victims and other persons.