

ICELAND

LAW ON AVIATION ¹

CHAPTER I. INTRODUCTORY PROVISIONS

Article 1. Any machine and substantial parts thereof, capable of rising in the air or remaining aloft or moving in the air, is deemed an aircraft for the purposes of this law.

Article 2. Flights within Icelandic territory may take place under the conditions and limitations provided for in this law, and the regulations enacted pursuant to this law.

Article 3. Flights within Icelandic territory may be made only by aircraft:

- a) of Icelandic nationality, or
- b) of foreign nationality if a treaty has been concluded with the foreign country granting the right of flight within Icelandic territory;
- c) when special reasons exist, the administration may permit flights within Icelandic territory of aircraft other than those mentioned in paragraph 1, provided that the safety requirements deemed necessary are observed. Such permission may be revoked at any time.

Article 4. The President of Iceland may exercise the right to restrict or prohibit flights in certain parts of the Icelandic territory only if such measures are deemed necessary for public safety or regulated by public law.

Under emergency circumstances and for reasons of public safety the President of Iceland has the right to restrict or prohibit flights throughout Icelandic territory.

Article 5. This law shall also apply to Icelandic aircraft outside Icelandic territory unless the provisions of this law conflict with a foreign law which applies by virtue of a treaty with a foreign country, or with generally recognized principles of law.

The regulations issued by the Minister of Aviation as well as other regulations which conform to this law shall be valid outside Icelandic territory.

The provisions of Chapter 9 shall apply also to the flight of foreign aircraft outside Icelandic territory unless otherwise provided for by a treaty with the foreign country or by general principles of law.

CHAPTER 2. REGISTRATION, NATIONALITY AND MARKING

Article 6. The aircraft register (nationality register) shall be kept by the Board of Aviation.

The recordation of rights in aircraft shall be regulated by a special law.

¹ Adopted by the Legislature (Althing) on May 9, 1964. For preliminary note see Denmark, *supra*.