

There shall be recorded in the register the name and domicile of the owner, the type, name and identification number of the aircraft as well as all specified rights and agreements affecting it. Such rights and agreements shall be valid vis-à-vis others only with effect from the date of their entry in the register.

Article 16.—Applications for registration shall be submitted to the Communications Directorate of the Ministry of Public Works, which will allot registration marks and furnish each with a certificate of registration.

Article 17.—Aircraft shall be regarded as moveable property according to the laws and regulations in force in Lebanon. Transfer of ownership must, however, be effected by a deed which shall not be valid between the contracting parties and vis-à-vis others except after its being recorded in the appropriate public register.

Article 18.—The transfer of ownership of an aircraft whether through inheritance, mutual agreement or for any other reason must be entered in the register. Similarly the new owner must register every legal decision regarding transfer or establishment of ownership.

The transfer of ownership shall only become valid from the date of its entry in the register.

Article 19.—Only registered aircraft may be insured. The insurance policy shall take effect only from the date of its registration. The insurance policy may include a comprehensive cover instead of making the insurance consequent only on the total loss or damage of the aircraft.

Article 20.—Every person acquiring a right to an aircraft in good faith by virtue of an entry in the register shall remain in possession of that right.

SUB-CHAPTER 3—HIRE OF AIRCRAFT

Article 21.—In the event of an aircraft being hired for several consecutive years or for a specified period, its pilot and crew shall continue to be under the management of its owner in the absence of any agreement to the contrary. Such an agreement can be made only with the approval of the Ministry of Public Works.

Article 22.—The owner of an aircraft hired to another person shall remain responsible for the legal obligations and shall jointly be responsible with the lessee for the contraventions of such obligations.

Nevertheless in the event of the lease agreement being recorded in the Register and the lessee fulfilling the legal conditions for acquiring a Lebanese aircraft, the lessee as operator of the aircraft shall alone be responsible for the legal obligations and for their contraventions.

SUB-CHAPTER 4—SEIZURE OF AIRCRAFT

Article 23.—Confiscation and compulsory sale of aircraft shall be carried out in accordance with the rules provided for by the Code of Civil Procedure save in special cases provided for by international treaties and conventions.

Seizure shall be recorded in the special register of aircraft.

Article 24.—In case of damage caused on land through the crash of a foreign aircraft or a Lebanese aircraft whose owner is domiciled abroad, or in the event of a foreigner contravening the provisions of this Law, the local Public Authorities or the officials mentioned in