

Art. 47. Without a special authorization, it shall be prohibited to transport on aircraft any explosives, weapons, and ammunition, carrier pigeons, or mail included in the postal monopoly.

Transportation and use of photographic equipment may be prohibited by decree.

The conditions for transportation of dangerous substances, cultures of microbes, and small infected or dangerous animals shall be determined by decree.

Art. 48. No equipment for radio telegraph or radio telephone intended for the mobile aeronautical communications service may be installed or used aboard an aircraft without special authorization; the same shall apply to equipment for radio navigation or electromagnetic detection.

Aircraft for public passenger transport must be equipped with radio communication apparatus necessary for flight safety under conditions determined by regulation.

In all cases, the crew members who use radio telegraph or radio telephone equipment must have a radio operator's license or a qualification for radio telephone; the use of such equipment must be in accordance with the regulations.

Art. 49. Any aircraft landing on an airdrome or on private property shall be subject to the control and supervision of the administrative authorities.

Art. 50. Any aircraft in flight anywhere must submit to the orders of the police and customs stations and aircraft, in whatever form such order may be given.

Art. 51. Aircraft flying exclusively over airdromes and areas approved by the administrative authorities as training areas, shall not be subject to the provisions of Articles 45 to 52, provided such flights do not constitute a public show. However, they may not transport passengers unless they have a certificate of airworthiness.

Art. 52. Airworthiness certificates, aptitude patents and licenses issued or validated by the State whose nationality the aircraft has; shall be recognized as valid for flight above Nigerian territory when reciprocity exists under an international convention or a decree.

TITLE III. DAMAGES, LIABILITY AND LOSS OF AIRCRAFT

Art. 53. During flight pilots must comply with the rules provided for in Title II of this Book and must take all precautions necessary to avoid damages.

Art. 54. In the case of damages caused by an aircraft in flight to another aircraft in flight, the liability of the pilot and of the operator of the aircraft shall be regulated by the provisions of the Civil Code.

Art. 55. The operator of an aircraft shall be fully liable for damage caused to third persons on the ground by the flight of aircraft, or by persons or articles falling therefrom.

Such liability may be reduced or avoided only by proof of the negligence of the injured person.

Art. 56. Except with a special authorization, it shall be prohibited, other than in cases of *force majeure*, to throw from an aircraft in flight any goods or articles whatever, with the exception of regulation ballast.