

incident or accident occurring during the flight, and any defect noted or suspected in the aircraft, in the airports, in the aids to air navigation, and in other aviation equipment.

CHAPTER III. AERIAL WORK SERVICES

Article 143. Authorization.

1) Aerial work services undertaken by national or foreign companies shall be authorized by the Executive Branch, which shall issue the proper authorization.

2) The Executive may cancel, suspend, or change any authorization for aerial work for non-compliance with the provisions of this Law or the regulations issued thereunder, or with any of the terms or limitations of the respective permit or certificate.

3) However, no permit or certificate may be permanently revoked or cancelled without granting the interested parties a reasonable time to present allegations and evidence they may deem proper in defense of their interests.

Article 144. Term.

The authorization for aerial work services shall be issued for the period of one (1) year.

Article 145. Aircraft.

1) Aircraft owned by national aerial work companies shall be registered in Panama; aircraft of foreign companies undertaking aerial work in Panama must also be registered in Panama, if they are to remain in the country for more than six (6) months.

2) All aircraft engaged in aerial work must fulfill all of the requirements for safety and airworthiness provided for in the present Law and the regulations issued thereunder.

Article 146. Flight Personnel.

The pilots of aircraft used for certain aerial works who need to make flights at an altitude less than the minimum provided for in the air regulations must have a certificate for low-altitude flying, which shall be issued by the General Bureau of Civil Aeronautics, in conformity with the regulations for aerial work and agricultural aviation enacted by the Executive Branch.

Article 147. Liability.

All natural or corporate persons operating aircraft used for agricultural purposes, shall be financially liable for damages and injuries caused to persons or property on the ground by reason of application of dangerous chemical substances, or in cases of low flights, by the crash of an aircraft, or by objects falling or thrown therefrom.

CHAPTER IV. PRIVATE AIR SERVICES

Article 148. Conditions.

Owners and operators of private air services shall not need permits to undertake their air activities. It shall suffice if they obtain the proper registration from the General Bureau of Civil Aeronautics and keep their licenses, certificates of airworthiness, and log books in a state of validity. However, they must comply with all provisions