

and the proceeds shall be collected by the Government after deducting expenses and the reward, if any.

Article 140. Special regulations shall govern the duties and functions concerning this subject both of the authorities and of private individuals and the procedure to be followed in the investigation and any international collaboration which may be involved.

Article 141. The limitation of actions on claims arising from salvage and rescue operations shall be two years from the date of completion of such operations.

CHAPTER XVII. AIR TRAFFIC POLICE

Article 142. The air traffic police shall enforce compliance with all permanent or temporary regulations, legal provisions and rules which may be issued for the purpose of assuring fast, orderly and safe traffic of aircraft in the air and on the ground.

Article 143. The functions specified in the preceding article shall be exercised by the chief of the air region, by the chief of the airport and by the commander of an aircraft, as the case may be.

Article 144. The regulations concerning air traffic police and flight discipline shall apply to all civilian and military aircraft without distinction of type or class.

Article 145. An aircraft may fly within the Spanish air space only when it has been duly authorized to do so, after presentation of its flight plan, and when it has the markings of its nationality, registration or number, and when it carries the documents required by this Law, the regulations issued thereunder or by international treaties or agreements.

Article 146. All aircraft in flight shall follow the established flight routes or areas and shall respect prohibited or reserved areas.

Article 147. Any aircraft in flight within the air space shall land immediately at the airport indicated by the authorities controlling air traffic, or change the route originally planned when requested by such authorities to do so.

Article 148. Landing and take-off operations of aircraft shall not be carried out except at officially authorized airports and airdromes.

Article 149. The Minister of Air, either in person or through franchises, shall assume the organization and operation of aeronautical, meteorological and telecommunications services and of aids to air navigation.

Authorization of such services and authorization of airports shall be required and shall be in accordance with the conditions and rates established in the regulations.

CHAPTER XVIII. PRIVATE TRANSPORTATION, TOURIST FLIGHTS AND AVIATIONS SCHOOLS

Article 150. Aircraft for private transportation belonging to private enterprises, or belonging to flying schools, or engaged in technical or scientific work, and tourist or sport aircraft shall be subject to the provisions of this Law, whenever applicable, with the exceptions specified hereafter:

1. They shall not engage in any public service of air transportation of persons or goods, with or without remuneration.