



Australian Government
Civil Aviation Safety Authority

I, MARK ALAN SKIDMORE, Director of Aviation Safety, on behalf of CASA, make this instrument under regulation 207 of the *Civil Aviation Regulations 1988*.

[Signed M. Skidmore]
Mark Skidmore AM
Director of Aviation Safety

13 March 2015

Civil Aviation Order 20.18 Amendment Instrument 2015 (No. 1)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Civil Aviation Order 20.18 Amendment Instrument 2015 (No. 1)*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after registration.

3 Amendment of Civil Aviation Order 20.18

Schedule 1 amends Civil Aviation Order 20.18.

4 Transitional application — helicopter V.F.R. operations at night

The amendments to Civil Aviation Order 20.18 in Schedule 1 of this instrument do not apply until 1 January 2016.

Schedule 1 Amendments

[1] Paragraph 3.2

after

the V.F.R.

insert

by day

[2] After paragraph 3.2

Insert

3.2A A helicopter may only be operated under the V.F.R. at night if:

- (a) it is equipped with the instruments specified in Appendix VIII; and
- (b) it is equipped with any other instruments and indicators specified in the helicopter's flight manual;
- (c) for flights under V.F.R. at night which involve flights over land or water where the helicopter's attitude cannot be maintained by the use of visual

external surface cues as a result of lights on the ground or celestial illumination:

- (i) the helicopter is equipped in accordance with subparagraph 4.2 (d) of this Order; or
- (ii) the helicopter is operated by a qualified 2 pilot crew, each with access to flight controls.

[3] Subparagraph 4.2 (d)

substitute

- (d) an approved automatic pilot or automatic stabilisation system.
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