I, MARK ALAN SKIDMORE, Director of Aviation Safety, on behalf of CASA, make this instrument under regulation 207 of the *Civil Aviation Regulations 1988* and subsection 33 (3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*.

**[Signed Mark Skidmore AM]**

Mark Skidmore AM  
Director of Aviation Safety

27 April 2015

Civil Aviation Order 20.18 Amendment Instrument 2015 (No. 2)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Civil Aviation Order 20.18 Amendment Instrument 2015 (No. 2)*.

2 Repeal

*Civil Aviation Order 20.18 Amendment Instrument 2015 (No. 1)* is repealed.

3 Commencement

(1) With the exception of section 2, this instrument commences on 1 January 2016.

(2) Section 2 commences on the day of registration.

4 Amendment of Civil Aviation Order 20.18

Schedule 1 amends Civil Aviation Order 20.18.

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.