

# ADVISORY CIRCULAR CAA-AC-OPS024 November 2022

## CONVEYING INFORMATION TO EMERGENCY SERVICES IN EVENT OF ACCIDENT OR INCIDENT OF AN AIRCRAFT CARRYING DANGEROUS GOODS

#### 1.0 PURPOSE.

- 1.0.1 This advisory circular provides air carriers, freight forwarders and shippers with sources of regulatory and training information and provides where technical assistance may be obtained dealing with the provisions of the appropriate regulations concerning the transportation by air of commodities which have been designed as regulated hazardous materials.
  - *Note:* Operators that choose not to carry dangerous goods must have a dangerous goods recognition or awareness programme.
- 1.0.2 This Advisory Circular (AC) cancels CAA-AC-OPS041 dated July 2020.

#### 2.0 **REFERENCES**.

- 2.1 Regulation 84 of the Civil Aviation (Air Operator Certification and Administration) Regulations, 2022.
- 2.2 Regulation 37 and 38 of the Civil Aviation (Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air) Regulations, 2022.
- 2.3 Regulation 9 of the Civil Aviation (Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigations) Regulations, 2022.
- 2.4 The Civil Aviation (Operation of Aircraft) (Commercial Air Transport) (General Aviation) (Helicopters) Regulations, 2022
- 2.5 The Civil Aviation (Operation of Aircraft Commercial Air Transport Aeroplanes) Regulations, 2022
- 2.6 ICAO Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air
- 2.7 IATA dangerous Goods Regulations

#### **3.0 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.**

- 3.1 Hazardous materials may not be offered or accepted for transportation in air commerce unless that material is properly classed, described, packaged, marked, labeled, and in condition for shipment as required or authorized by either national or international regulations in force at the time of shipment.
- 3.2 Hazardous material may not be transported in air commerce unless that material is handled, loaded, and transported in accordance with the provisions of the pertinent national regulations in force at the time of transport.

#### 4.0 COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT.

4.1 Uganda Civil Aviation Authority has promulgated The Civil Aviation (Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air) Regulations, 2022 and shall designate and delegate a section within the authority responsible for regulatory compliance with these Regulations.

#### 5.0 SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

- 5.1 The following information and publications pertaining to the safe transportation of hazardous material are available from:
  - a) ICAO Technical Instructions for the Safe Transportation of Dangerous Goods by Air (Current edition). These Technical Instructions amplify the basic provisions of Annex 18 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation and contain the detailed instructions necessary for the safe international transport of dangerous goods by air.
  - b) IATA Dangerous Goods regulations. These regulations are published by IATA for the members and associate members. They are closely aligned with the ICAO Technical Instructions with few exceptions. These regulations contain air carrier exceptions and, in certain instances, state variations which may not be included in any other publication. IATA DGRs are published on an annual basis.

#### 6.0 Training Material.

6.1 ICAO and IATA have jointly developed training documents in support of the provisions contained in Annex 18 to the convention on International Civil Aviation. These documents have been produced to help achieve uniform worldwide level of training in all aspects of handling and transporting dangerous goods by air and particularly to assist those who are responsible for the establishment of training programs. They consist of a series of five workbooks; each developed for training of a particular category of

personnel involved in the transport of dangerous goods by air and are of the self-study type. The five books are:

Workbook 1: Shippers, Packers, & Personnel Accepting/Processing Dangerous Goods
Workbook 2: Flight Crew, Load Planners, & Flight Dispatchers
Workbook 3: Cabin Crew, Passenger Handling Personnel & Security Screening Personnel
Workbook 4: Ramp and Warehouse Personnel

Workbook 5: General Cargo Acceptance Personnel

6.2 Other Sources.

There are numerous other sources of information including updating services which deal with regulations and the correct procedures to follow in the shipment of hazardous materials, those listed in this publication are but a few and inclusion herein does not necessarily indicate preference.

### 7.0 TECHNICAL CLARIFICATION AND INFORMATION.

7.1 In order to assist the aviation community in dealing with hazardous materials transportation, the inspectors at CAA may be contacted regarding specific questions dealing with the classification and/or technical aspects of the national and international regulations and their continued amendments as they relate to the transportation of hazardous materials by air. The availability of these personnel does not reduce the responsibility of the carrier or freight forwarder in having their personnel fully trained in all aspects of hazardous materials transportation. They should be capable of providing their potential customers with provisions and requirements of the hazardous materials transportation regulations.

