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AIC for GEORGIA



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Georgian Air Navigation - Sakaeronavigatsia Ltd.

Air Navigation Service Charges

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Article 1. General

Charges for air navigation service are comprised of en-route air navigation service charges, terminal air navigation service charges.

Article 2. En-route air navigation service charges

In the Georgian airspace, en-route charges for air navigation services shall be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$r = t \times N$

where r - is the en-route charge for air navigation service; t - the unit rate of charge for air navigation service – 89.57 GEL; N - the number of service units.

$N = d \times p$

where d – the distance factor, which is calculated by dividing the great circle distance (in kilometers) between the point of entry into the Georgian airspace and the point of exit from it by 100, the distance factor is expressed with accuracy of two digits after comma; p - the weight factor of the aircraft concerned, which is obtained in accordance with the following formula:

p= √MTOW/50,

where MTOW - is the maximum certified take-off weight of the aircraft, which is expressed in metric tons. The weight factor is expressed with accuracy of three digits after comma.

For calculation of en-route charge for air navigation service for the flight carried out in current month, unit rate for air navigation service in EURO shall be calculated using the actual exchange rate fixed between EURO and national currency in previous month. The exchange rate used for this purpose shall be the monthly average calculated by Reuters, based on daily BID rate.

Article 3. Terminal Air Navigation Service Charges

3.1. Terminal Air Navigation Service Charges

3.1.1. Terminal air navigation service charges in the airports of Georgia shall be calculated using the following formula:

$R = t \times N$

where R – terminal air navigation service charge; t – the unit rate for terminal air navigation service – 417.34 EURO; N – weight factor, which is obtained in accordance with the following formula:

$N = (MTOW/50)^{0.7}$

where MTOW - is the maximum certified take-off weight of the aircraft, which is expressed in metric tons.

3.1.2. Where the information on the maximum take-off weight of the aircraft concerned is not known, the weight factor shall be calculated based on the maximum take-off weight of the aircraft of similar type known to exist.

3.2. Privileges on Terminal Air Navigation Service charges

- 3.2.1. The unit rate (t) for terminal air navigation service provided in Kopitnari Airport shall amount to 250.41 EURO.
- 3.2.2. For the aircraft which MTOW does not exceed 14 tons, the unit rate (t) for terminal air navigation service shall amount to 139.16 EURO.

- 3.2.3. For the commercial air carriers, providing **domestic transportation service** by an aircraft with MTOW exceeding 14 tons, the unit rate (t) for terminal air navigation service shall amount to 250.41 EURO.
- 3.2.4. For the commercial air carriers, who are involved only in **cargo transportation**, if the accumulated weight throughout a month¹ does not exceed 1000 tons, the unit rate (t) for terminal air navigation service shall amount to 417.34 EURO, and if the accumulated weight exceeds 1000 tons, then it shall amount to 250.41 EURO.
- 3.2.5. The unit rate (t) for terminal air navigation service amounts to 77.74 EURO for the aircraft, which MTOW does not exceed 14 tons, and 250.41 EURO for the aircraft, which MTOW is greater than 14 tons in the following cases:
- a. use of the alternative aerodrome for landing due to adverse weather conditions;
- b. technical problems;
- c. fuelling- in case the aircraft stays on the aerodrome up to 48 hours;
- d. a sick person on board;
- e. training flights in the aerodrome zone;
- f. flight tests of radio navigation facilities.
- 3.2.6. The unit rate (t) for terminal air navigation service shall amount to 77.74 EUR for helicopters, despite the take-off weight of the helicopter and goal of the flight.
- 3.2.7 For the air carriers based in Tbilisi International Airport and for the air carriers operating in frame of code share agreement with the air carriers based in Tbilisi International Airport, performing passenger transportation on a regular basis: if the consolidated number of landing/take-off flights performed during one calendar month in Tbilisi International Airport equals or exceeds 220, the terminal Air Navigation Service charge will be calculated with 50% discounted unit rate (t) amounting 208.67 EURO.
- 3.2.8. Taking into consideration the difficulties caused by Covid-19 in Georgia, for the air carriers based in Tbilisi International Airport and for the air carriers operating in frame of code share agreement with the air carriers based in Tbilisi International Airport, performing passenger transportation on a regular basis and for which the consolidated number of landing/take-off flights performed during each calendar month in Tbilisi International Airport during the fourth quarter of 2019 equals or exceeds 220, the terminal Air Navigation Service charge will be calculated with 50% discounted unit rate (t) amounting 208.67 EURO applicable to international flights irrespective of the number of landing/take-off flights performed in Tbilisi International Airport during one calendar month. The term of validity of privileged unit rate is defined as follows: 1st of May 31st of December 2020 inclusive.

Article 4. Billing and Payment of Charges

- 4.1. Billing and collection of en-route air navigation service charges on behalf of Georgia are performed by CRCO (Central Route Charges Office of EUROCONTROL).
- 4.2. Billing and collection of terminal air navigation service charges are performed by "Sakaeronavigatsia" Ltd. Billing will be performed in EURO. Payment is possible to be made also in USD and in GEL using the official exchange rate of National Bank of Georgia (www.nbg.ge) effective on the payment date.
- 4.3. Liability for the payment of air navigation service charges shall be borne by the air carrier (forwarding agent) a person actually carrying out the transportation (expedition) during flight of the aircraft concerned.
- 4.4. When the air carrier (forwarding agent) is not known, the owner of the aircraft concerned will be considered as the air carrier (forwarding agent) until the actual air carrier (forwarding agent) is revealed.
- 4.5. In case if the air carrier (forwarding agent) fails to fulfil the liabilities, the air carrier (forwarding agent) and the aircraft owner together will be held liable for payment of the air navigation service charges.
- 4.6. The rate of interest on late payment of air navigation charges applicable from 1 January 2020 is 9.72% per annum.
- 4.7. In case the operator is willing to cover the terminal air navigation service charges immediately after performing the flight it can be done through a bank transfer using the below provided bank details:

PROPERTIES OF THE BANK FOR GEL PAYERS:

BENEFICIARY:
"SAKAERONAVIGATSIA" LTD.
BENEFICIARY BANK:
JSC "TBC Bank", Head Office
CODE - TBCBGE 22, ACC #GE19TB7188636070100001

¹ For the commercial air carriers, product of MTOW of aircraft (carried out from the first day of each month until the first day of subsequent month) on amount of cargo transportation service.

PROPERTIES OF THE BANK FOR USD PAYERS:

INTERMEDIARY BANK:

CITIBANK N.A. NEW-YORK, USA

SWIFT: CITIUS33 ABA: 021000089

BENEFICIARY BANK: JSC "TBC Bank", Head Office

SWIFT: TBCBGE22

BENEFICIARY: SAKAERONAVIGATSIA LTD. ACCOUNT GE63 TB71 8863 6170 1000 01

PROPERTIES OF THE BANK FOR EURO PAYERS:

INTERMEDIARY BANK:

DEUTSCHE BANK AG FRANKFURT/MAIN

GERMANY

SWIFT: DEUTDEFF, BLZ: 50070010

BENEFICIARY BANK: JSC "TBC Bank", Head Office

SWIFT: TBCBGE22

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Article 5. Conditions of Payment

Conditions of payment of air navigation service charges are established in accordance with the agreements concluded by and between the Parties.

Article 6. Miscellaneous

- 6.1. In the airspace of Georgia, air navigation service charges are subject to payment by every user of such services regardless of whether they are Georgian residents or not, as well as irrespective of the form of ownership or the subordination status, except of the flights exempted from air navigation charges by Georgian Air Code and Regulatory Act of Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia.
- 6.2. The procedure for reimbursement of expenses incurred while servicing the flights, exempted from air navigation charges, is approved by the Georgian Government.
- 6.3. Flights exempted from Air Navigation service charges are:
- state aircraft;
- the flights, which are used for the aim of search and rescue during the natural disasters, catastrophes and accidents for the survival of humans, the state and private property;
- the flights/aircraft exempted on the basis of international agreements of Georgia in the framework of those international agreements.

(Ref: flights exempted from air navigation charges are designated in Georgian Air Code Article 17 paragraph 2).

Flights exempted from En-Route air navigation service charges are:

- flights performed by aircraft of which the maximum take-off weight authorised is less than two (2) metric tons;
- flights performed exclusively for the transport on official mission of the reigning Monarch and his/her immediate family, Heads of State, Heads of Government and Government Ministers. In all cases, this must be substantiated by the appropriate status indicator or remark in the flight plan;
- flights performed exclusively under the visual flight rules which are carried out within the appropriate billing zone.

(Ref: flights exempted from En Route air navigation charges are designated in the N 1-1/67 Order, dated March 5, 2014, of the Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia).

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