

## Publication of Fees for the Provision of Aviation Meteorological Services

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Advised by the meteorological regulating committee, the Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism determines the tariffs to be charged for meteorological services. In response to objections from certain quarters of the aviation industry, the Minister graciously agreed to a review of the charges published in 2002. In summary, the reviewed charges are:

#### Category 1

For an aircraft with a maximum certified mass (MCM) of 2000 kg and above, the aviation meteorological user charge is calculated according to the following formula:

$$\text{CHARGE} = T \times W \times D$$

Where:

T for the period 1 April 2004 to 31 March 2006 is R24.05

W = square root of (MCM in metric tonnes divided by 50)

D = distance of the flight in the flight information region (FIR) of South Africa in kilometer divided by 100.

#### Category 2

For an aircraft with a published MCM of 2000 - 4999 kg that operates under visual flight rules (VFR), the weight group determines user charges:

Level 1 (VFR), 4999 kg to 2000 kg: R754 a year

Level 2 (VFR), 1999 kg to 1050 kg: R362 a year

Level 3 (VFR), 1049 kg to 0 kg: R30 a year

However, Category 1 fees apply to Level 1 aircraft that operate under Instrument Flight Rules (IFR), and their (paid) annual fee is regarded as a credit to their account.

The tariffs are exclusive of value-added tax and therefore are subject to the appropriate tax as may be applicable to any specific tariff.