

Decree dated 7 January 2015 pertaining to the conditions applying to European microlight traffic over French territory

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Article 1

For the application of this decree, “European microlight” refers to an aircraft identified or registered in a State that is part of the agreement concerning the European Economic Area, in Switzerland or in the United Kingdom, corresponding to one of the class definitions mentioned in article 2 of the above-mentioned amended decree dated 23 September 1998.

Article 2

European microlights are authorised to fly over French territory for non-commercial purposes without the prior agreement of the French Civil Aviation General Directorate regarding the airworthiness of the aircraft and the qualification of the pilots, on the following conditions:

1 - they have a valid flight permit, issued by the said State or an organisation with a delegation by the said State, and

2 - regarding the pilots:

- they hold a permit entitling them to fly this microlight, issued by the said State or an organisation with a delegation by the said State, or approved or recognised by the said State, or
- they hold a microlight pilot's licence, issued by the French Civil Aviation General Directorate, if the said State does not impose any qualifications.

Article 3

If a European microlight not belonging to class 1 (known as paramotors), nor class 5 (known as ultralight dirigible aerostats), and for which the State that issued the flight permit does not impose any identification or registration markings, applicants ask for provisional identification markings from the French interregional civil aviation safety directorate responsible for the region where the applicants reside or which they intend to overfly, and primarily the former.

The request made by applicants contains their address and a copy of the flight permit.

The identification markings are issued for a duration no longer than that of the flight permit. Their attribution can be renewed under the same conditions.

These markings are positioned under the aircraft's wings, or on its structure if the former is

not possible. They have no decorations, are easily legible and measure at least fifty centimetres in height. If the dimensions of the microlight do not allow for markings of a height of at least fifty centimetres, they must be as large as possible and no smaller than twenty centimetres in height.

Article 4

Test flights are strictly forbidden within the framework of this decree.

Article 5

The instruction dated 14 November 2000 pertaining to the conditions applying to European microlight traffic in France is abrogated.

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Signed, on 7 January 2015 and modified by Decree signed on 9 June 2021

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