



I assent.

P. W. Lenison

Governor.

25th February, 1956.

BRITISH GUIANA

ORDINANCE No. 6 OF 1956.

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the management, control and supervision of aerodromes in the Colony.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Aerodromes Ordinance, 1956.

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Short title.

2. In this Ordinance—

Interpretation.

“aerodrome” means any area of land or water designed, equipped, set apart or commonly used or intended to be used for affording facilities for the landing and departure of aircraft;

“aircraft” means any flying machine or glider:

“Atkinson Airport” has the same meaning assigned thereto by section 2 of the Atkinson Airport Ordinance;

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“authorised aerodrome” means a Government aerodrome or an aerodrome licensed by the Government under Article 51 of the Colonial Air Navigation Order, 1955;

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“Government aerodrome” means a Government aerodrome as defined in Article 77 of the Colonial Air Navigation Order, 1955;

“the Director” means the Director of Civil Aviation.

Provisions regarding the landing and departure of aircraft.

3. (1) No aircraft shall, except in a case of emergency, or with the permission in writing of the Director, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, use as a place of landing or departure any place other than an authorised aerodrome.

(2) Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the Director to grant permission for an aircraft to use as a place of landing or departure any place other than an authorised aerodrome may appeal to the Governor in Council, whose decision thereon shall be final.

Pilot of aircraft landing at or departing from unauthorised place to report to Director.

4. Where any aircraft, through any emergency lands at or departs from any place other than an authorised aerodrome or other place in respect of which permission has been granted by the Director under the provisions of section 3 of this Ordinance, the pilot of such aircraft shall forthwith notify the Director in writing of such landing or departure, and shall furnish such particulars as the Director may require in order to be satisfied that such landing or departure was due to an emergency.

Entry and inspection of aerodromes.

5. (1) The Director, or any aerodrome supervisor, may at all times enter and inspect any aerodrome for the purpose of ensuring due compliance with the provisions of any Ordinance and of any Regulations relating to aerodromes, and for the purpose of ensuring that such aerodrome is being maintained in a fit and proper condition.

(2) Any person who obstructs or hinders the Director or any aerodrome supervisor from entering or inspecting any aerodrome shall be guilty of an offence and shall, on summary conviction thereof, be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars.

Power to close aerodromes.

6. (1) The Governor may, where he considers it necessary in the public interest so to do, declare any aerodrome closed to aircraft generally or to aircraft of a particular class, and shall cause the Director to serve a notice in writing to that effect upon the person in charge of the aerodrome. The Director shall also publish a copy of such notice in the Gazette and in one daily newspaper circulating in the Colony.

(2) Any person who, except in a case of emergency (the proof whereof shall be on him), uses, or permits to be used, any aerodrome closed under the provisions of this section, as a place of landing or departure for aircraft shall be guilty of an offence and shall, on summary conviction thereof, be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars.

Offences.

7. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of subsection (1) of section 3 or of section 4 of this Ordinance shall be guilty of an offence and shall, on summary conviction thereof, be liable to a penalty not exceeding five hundred dollars.

8. (1) The Governor may make regulations for the management, control and supervision of authorised aerodromes other than Atkinson Airport. Regulations.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred by the foregoing subsection, any regulations made under this Ordinance may provide for all or any of the following matters, that is to say—

- (a) the charges which may be made in respect of landings at any or all Government aerodromes other than at Atkinson Airport;
- (b) the appointment and duties of aerodrome supervisors;
- (c) the issue of permits to use any Government aerodrome (other than Atkinson Airport) as a place of landing or departure for any aircraft and conditions of issue of such permits and conditions to be observed by the holders of such permits.

(3) There may be annexed to any regulation for the breach thereof a penalty not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars.

9. Proceedings in respect of offences against this Ordinance or any regulations made thereunder may be instituted by the Director or by any officer of the Civil Aviation Department authorised in writing by the Director, or by a member of the police force. Offences
against Or-
dinance and
Regulations.

Passed by the Legislative Council this fourteenth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.



Clerk of the Legislature

(C. AV. 9/45).
(Leg. Bill No. 58/1955).