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SUBJECT:

FEES AND CHARGES - AVIATION SAFETY AFFAIRS SECTOR

REFERENCE PUBLICATIONS:

This is a revision to Information Bulletin (IB) 14 of 2006 which elaborates on fees and charges prescribed in:

- Cabinet Decree No. (21/164) of 2006 (Concerning the Fees and Charges)
- Cabinet Resolution No. (58) of 2024 (Concerning the Fees of civil use of drones and the activities associated with it)

INFORMATION:

The purpose of issue 07 of this IB is to provide further details on the fees and charges associated with Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) services, as prescribed in Cabinet Resolution No. (58) of 2024, which pertains to service fees for UAS civil use and its associated activities.

APPLICABILITY:

The fees and charges provisions of this Information Bulletin shall apply to:

- SECTION A: Aircraft manufacturers, all UAE approved air operators, maintenance organisations, design organisations, approved training organisations and clubs, and training organisations holding an approval/authorisation issued by a foreign oversight authority and delivering aviation related training within the territory of the UAE.
- SECTION B: All Civilian UAS users which fall under categories as specified in GCAA CAR-UAS within the territory of the UAE. The Fees will be applicable as long as there are no existing similar service charges implemented by any individual Emirates' Local Appropriate Authority (LAA).

DEFINITIONS:

For the purpose of this IB:

- AOC: means Air Operator Certificate.
- Approved Maintenance Organisation (AMO): means organisations engaged in any of the following maintenance types: Base maintenance, line maintenance, engine maintenance, component maintenance and maintenance management. The term also includes aeronautical component suppliers.



- Aircraft Type Rating: means:
 - In the case of an AMO with aircraft rating, the combination between the airframe and the engine type;
 - In the case of an AMO with engine rating, the engine type;
 - In the case of an AMO with aircraft plus engine ratings, the combination of (a) and (b).
- Maintenance Station: means a location where one of the following maintenance types is performed: Base Maintenance, Line Maintenance, Engine Maintenance, Component Maintenance or Maintenance Management is performed. A location will be counted as much as the number of maintenance types carried out over there.
- MCTOM: means Maximum Certificated Take-Off Mass.

FEES AND CHARGES

- SECTION A:
(Fees associated with aircraft operations other than UAS operations)

Fee Type	Description	Amount
Type Certification Validation	Aircraft certified for transport of passengers and having MCTOM of over 5700 kg and certified to carry 19 or more passengers.	AED 400,000
	Aircraft certified for transport of passengers and having MCTOM of over 5700 kg and certified to carry less than 19 passengers.	AED 200,000
	Aircraft certified for cargo operations	AED 200,000
	NOTE 1: These fees are one-time payment for every new aircraft type having an MCTOM of over 5700 kg and first applied for entry in the UAE Civil Aircraft Registry effective from 01 st July 2006. The fees should be paid by the aircraft manufacturer prior to validation of type certificate.	



Fee Type	Description	Amount
Individual Aircraft Certification	Aircraft certified for transport of passengers and having MCTOM of over 5700 kg and certified to carry 19 or more passengers.	AED 60,000
	Aircraft certified for transport of passengers and having MCTOM of over 5700 kg and certified to carry less than 19 passengers.	AED 30,000
	Aircraft certified for cargo operations	AED 60,000
	NOTE 2: These fees are one-time payment for every individual aircraft having an MCTOM of over 5700 kg and entered in the UAE Civil Aircraft Registry effective from 01 st July 2006. The fees should be paid by the aircraft manufacturer prior to the date of issuance of Certificate of Registration.	

Fee Type	Description	Amount
Approved Maintenance Organisation	Category 1 Any combination of aircraft type rating and maintenance station listed in the GCAA approval that does not exceed 3.	AED 10,000
	Category 2 Any combination of aircraft type rating and maintenance station listed in the GCAA approval that falls between 4 to 6 (4 and 6, included).	AED 30,000
	Category 3 Any combination of aircraft type rating and maintenance station listed in the GCAA approval that exceeds 6.	AED 50,000
	Category 4 An organisation that is certified as an approved aeronautical supplier	AED 10,000



NOTE 3:

- a) The charges are for the initial approval and annual renewal of the organisation approval.
- b) In case an application for extension is made to add a maintenance station or an aircraft type rating which will result in change to a higher Category fees, the applicant shall remit the full fees required for the new Category at the time of the application.

(The original Date of Anniversary of the AMO certificate will be amended to the new date, when this application is approved and it will be valid for 12 months from the new date).
- c) In case an application is made to add a maintenance station or an aircraft type rating which does not result in the change in the Category fees, the applicant shall remit the fee for the re-issuing of the certificate of approval at the time of the application (see last table).
- d) In case an application is made to remove a maintenance station or an aircraft type rating which results in change to a lower Category fees, the applicant shall remit fees for the re-issuing of the certificate of approval at the time of the application. No refunds will be made in relation to the annual renewal fees already paid by the applicant (see last table).
- e) The GCAA shall not give any refunds in the following instances:
 - (i) When an application referred to in paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) above is made;
 - (ii) In the event that an application to add a maintenance station or an aircraft type rating is rejected due to technical reasons (e.g. application not meeting CAR 145 requirements or any conditions prescribed by the GCAA during the application process).
- f) In the case of application for amendment of the certificate due to organisation name change or address change, the applicant shall remit fees for the re-issuing of the certificate of approval at the time of the application (see last table).



	g) Combination of aircraft type rating and maintenance station means total of aircraft OR engine rating and maintenance station listed in the GCAA CAR 145 Approval. The examples given below are not exhaustive: 1) Category 1: • 1 aircraft rating + 1 maintenance station; • 2 aircraft ratings + 1 maintenance station; • 1 aircraft type + 2 maintenance station; • 2 engine rating + 1 maintenance station. 2) Category 2: • 2 aircraft rating + 2 maintenance stations • 3 aircraft ratings + 2 maintenance stations; • 3 aircraft ratings + 3 maintenance stations; • 5 engine ratings + 1 maintenance station. 3) Category 3: • 4 aircraft ratings + 3 maintenance station; • 4 aircraft ratings + 2 maintenance stations + 1 engine rating; • 6 engine ratings + 1 maintenance station.
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Fee Type	Description	Amount
Design Organisations	An organisation that is certified as an approved design organisation	AED 50,000
UAE Approved Clubs	All UAE approved clubs engaged in flying and / or flight training activities The fee is applicable for a period of 5 years	AED 50,000
Training Organisation	a) Any organisation located in the territory of the UAE and engaged in training activities under the oversight system of a foreign CAA; or b) Any training organisation approved by the GCAA or seeking an approval from the GCAA. c) The fee is applicable for a period of 5 years	AED 50,000



Other General Aviation Activities	Applicants that are performing aviation activities	AED 1,000
Air Operators Operating in UAE	Initial issue and renewal fees of AOC/POC per year of validity	AED 50,000
Balloon Maintenance Organisation (BMO)	Initial issue and renewal fees of BMO per year of validity	AED 10,000

Fee Type	Description	Amount
Temporary validation / authorisation for all kinds of licenses	A fee will be charged for the initial issue of temporary validation / authorisation for a period of 3 months	AED 500
	A fee will be charged for one time extension to the temporary validation / authorisation	AED 500
	NOTE 4: Initial issue of temporary authorisation will be for a period of 3 months, and if necessary, it can be extended for an additional period of 3 months or non-extendable 6 months, upon receiving request from the operator. The fees will be calculated according to the request.	

Fee Type	Description	Amount
Re-issuing or replacement	Fees for the re-issuing or replacement of any certificate/licence/approval (This fee is already included in other fee types)	AED 500



• **SECTION B:**

(Fees associated with UAS related activities Only)

Effective from 28th July 2024, the GCAA will be introducing charges on UAS services related to registrations, authorisations, organisational approvals and establishment of UAS facilities / infrastructures. All UAS operators/users are urged to:

- Visit the GCAA website for any related updates and changes related to UAS services.
- Approach the LAA of the Emirate offering one or more of the services listed in this section for more details.
- Note that any of the fees mentioned in this section will be remitted by the GCAA or the LAA.

	Service Statement	Fee value in AED	
		Issue	Renewal
1	UAS registration certificate for hobbyists and recreational activities	200	200 Every 2 years
2	UAS registration certificate for Commercial, Government, Demonstration and Experiment categories	UAS weight less than or equal to 5kg = 250	N/A
		UAS weight (5.1 kg) and less than (10 kg) = 500	
		UAS weight (10.1 kg) and less than (15 kg) = 750	
		UAS weight (15.1 kg) and less than (20 kg) = 1,000	
		UAS weight (20.1 kg) and less than or equals to (25 kg) = 1,250	
3	UAS registration certificate for (Event Operations) category.	UAS weight (kgs) x UAS count x 20 AED	N/A



4	UAS Pilot license.	100	100 Every 5 years
5	Modification on the Registration Certificate.	100	N/A
6	UAS Operator Authorisation Certificate (UOA) for (Commercial, Government and Event Operations) categories.	5,000	5,000 Yearly
7	Approved UAS Training Organisation Certificate	10,000	10,000 Yearly
8	UAS Operation Approval for (Commercial, Government, Demonstrations and Event Operations) categories	1,000	N/A
9	Risk Assessment Review & Analysis	500	N/A
10	Organisation Approval to Manufacture, Design or Maintain UAS	10,000 for each service ¹	10,000
11	Approval for UAS Airport construction	10,000	10,000 Yearly
12	Approval for construction UAS activities Facility	5,000	5,000 Yearly
13	Approval for UAS Landing Pad construction	5,000	5,000 Yearly
14	Certification of Safety Assessment Organisation	5,000	5,000 Yearly
15	Certification of Independent Safety Assessor	2,000	2,000 Yearly
16	Safety Certificate	1,000	1,000 Yearly
17	Approval for construction of fuel and power stations	5,000	5,000 Yearly

¹ Manufacture, design and maintenance of UAS are considered as three separate services



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