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## Civil Aviation Safety Authority

Instrument number CASA EX77/25

I, DANIEL BERNARD O'HAGAN, Section Manager Drafting, Legal, International & Regulatory Affairs Division, a delegate of CASA, make this instrument under regulations 11.160, 11.205, 11.245 and subregulation 139.855(2) of the *Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998*.

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### **CASA EX77/25 — Aerodrome Rescue and Fire Fighting Service Qualifications (Norfolk Island Regional Council) Instrument 2025**

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**1 Name**

This instrument is *CASA EX77/25 — Aerodrome Rescue and Fire Fighting Service Qualifications (Norfolk Island Regional Council) Instrument 2025*.

**2 Duration**

This instrument:

- (a) commences on 30 August 2025; and
- (b) is repealed at the end of 29 August 2028.

**3 Definitions**

*Note* In this instrument, certain terms and expressions have the same meaning as they have in the *Civil Aviation Act 1988* and the regulations. These include **AA**, **aerodrome**, **aerodrome certificate**, **ARFFS provider** and **CASR**.

In this instrument:

**ARFFS** has the meaning given by subregulation 139.705(1) of CASR.

**ARFFS operation** has the meaning given by subregulation 139.705(1) of CASR.

**firefighter**, in relation to an ARFFS operation for an aerodrome, has the meaning given by subregulation 139.915(1) of CASR.

**Manual of Standards** has the meaning given by subregulation 139.705(1) of CASR.

**NIRC** means Norfolk Island Regional Council, ARN 1017028, in its capacity as the ARFFS provider approved for Norfolk Island aerodrome by CASA under regulation 139.965 of CASR.

*Note* At the time of making this instrument, instrument number CASA.139H.0008 Revision No: Initial, *Approval – Aerodrome Rescue and Fire Fighting Service (ARFFS)*

*Provider* approves Norfolk Island Regional Council as an ARFFS provider for Norfolk Island aerodrome from 30 August 2022 until the end of 29 August 2025.

**Norfolk Island aerodrome** means Norfolk Island Intl aerodrome (YSNF), aerodrome certificate number CASA.ADCERT.0207.

**officer in charge**, in relation to an ARFFS operation for an aerodrome, has the meaning given by subregulation 139.915(1) of CASR.

**prescribed ARFFS training** means:

- (a) a program of training in the specialist skills and knowledge required for ARFFS that has been approved in writing by CASA; or
- (b) the demonstration of competency in an assessment of the specialist skills and knowledge required for ARFFS that has been approved in writing by CASA.

**prescribed Diploma qualification** means either of the following:

- (a) the Diploma of Public Safety (Firefighting Management) awarded by an Australian registered training organisation accredited as meeting CASA training standards in accordance with subsection 19.1.4 of the Manual of Standards; or
- (b) a qualification, equivalent to the qualification mentioned in paragraph (a) and approved in writing by CASA.

*Note* At the time of making this instrument, AA is the only registered training organisation that has been accredited as meeting CASA training standards in the way mentioned in paragraph (a) of the definition of **prescribed Diploma qualification**. The instrument named *CASA.139HTE.0005 Revision: 1 — Aerodrome Rescue and Fire-fighting Service Training Establishment (Airservices Australia) Accreditation 2024* accredits AA as meeting CASA training standards until the end of 31 January 2027.

**registered training organisation** has the meaning given by the *National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011*.

#### **4 Exemptions and condition — regulations 11.160 and 11.205 of CASR**

- (1) NIRC is exempt from compliance with:
  - (a) paragraph 139.773(1)(a) of CASR, to the extent that the paragraph requires NIRC to appoint an officer in charge who holds an AFC Advanced Diploma that meets the standards in the Manual of Standards; and
  - (b) paragraph 139.773(1)(b) of CASR, to the extent that the paragraph requires NIRC to appoint an officer in charge who holds an AFC Diploma that meets the standards in the Manual of Standards.

*Note* Under subregulation 139.773(2) of CASR, **AFC**, in paragraphs 139.773(1)(a) and (b), means Australian Fire Competencies.

- (2) The exemptions in subsection (1) are subject to the condition mentioned in subsection (3).
- (3) Before appointing a person to be an officer in charge of Norfolk Island aerodrome, NIRC must ensure that the person:
  - (a) holds a minimum of the prescribed Diploma qualification; and
  - (b) has successfully completed the prescribed ARFFS training.

**5 Direction — regulation 11.245 of CASR**

- (1) For regulation 11.245 of CASR, NIRC must ensure that a person who acts in the capacity of the officer in charge of Norfolk Island aerodrome and exercises the powers of the officer in charge at Norfolk Island aerodrome:
  - (a) is based at Norfolk Island aerodrome; and
  - (b) is a member of the staff of firefighters on duty to undertake the ARFFS operation at Norfolk Island aerodrome.
- (2) The direction in subsection (1) ceases to be in force at the end of 29 August 2028.

**6 Directions — subregulation 139.855(2) of CASR**

For subregulation 139.855(2) of CASR, NIRC must, within 90 days after the day this instrument commences:

- (a) review, and if necessary amend, its operations manual to ensure that it identifies the position held by the person who NIRC appoints from time to time, under subregulation 139.773(1) of CASR, to be the officer in charge of Norfolk Island aerodrome; and
  - (b) if NIRC amends its operations manual in accordance with paragraph (a), submit the amended operations manual to CASA for approval.
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