



U.S. Department
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**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Aviation Safety

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Exemption No. 10159E
Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2001-9352

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Dear Mr. Kurtzahn:

This letter is to inform you that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has granted your petition to extend Exemption No. 10159D. This letter transmits the FAA's decision, explains the FAA's basis, and provides the conditions and limitations of the exemption, including the date the exemption ends.

The Basis for FAA's Decision

By letter dated March 4, 2021, you petitioned FAA on behalf of the International Aerobatic Club (IAC) for an extension of Exemption No. 10159D, as amended. That exemption from §§ 91.9(b) and 91.151(a)(1) of Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) allows IAC members to carry less than the visual flight rules (VFR) fuel requirements under certain conditions and be exempted from carrying the aircraft flight manual during aerobatic competition and aerobatic practice flights.

In your petition, you indicate that there has been no change in the conditions and reasons relative to public interest and safety that were the basis for granting the original exemption.

The FAA's Decision

FAA has determined that good cause exists for not publishing a summary of the petition in the *Federal Register* because the requested extension of the exemption would not set a precedent, and any delay in acting on this petition would be detrimental to IAC.

FAA has determined that the justification for the issuance of Exemption No. 10159D remains valid with respect to this exemption and is in the public interest. Therefore, under the authority provided by 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 40113, and 44701, which the FAA Administrator has delegated to me, I hereby grant the International Aerobatic Company (IAC) an exemption from

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14 CFR 91.9(b) and 91.151(a)(1) to the extent necessary to allow IAC members to carry less than the visual flight rules (VFR) fuel requirements under certain conditions and be exempted from carrying the aircraft flight manual during aerobatic competition and aerobatic practice flights, subject to the conditions and limitations listed below.

Conditions and Limitations

1. This exemption is applicable only to flights conducted during daylight hours in VFR conditions.
2. IAC and IAC members shall comply with the requirements of an approved pilot operating handbook and/or aircraft flight manual concerning minimum fuel quantity during aerobatic flight.
3. This exemption applies only to members of the IAC when participating in IAC-sanctioned aerobatic competitions and practice sessions for such events, at the event site, and in the same location and under the same conditions as the competition.
4. All flights must take off and land from the same airport with the appropriate aircraft flight manual readily available at that airport before takeoff and after landing.
5. Each IAC member participating in an IAC-sanctioned aerobatic competition must be given a formal briefing by the event sponsor on the provisions of this exemption.

If you request an extension to this exemption, please submit your request by using the Regulatory Docket No. FAA-2001-9352 (<http://www.regulations.gov>). In addition, you should submit your request no later than 120 days prior to the exemption's expiration date listed below.

If you require an amendment to this exemption, please submit your request no later than 120 days prior to the date you need the amendment using the process indicated above.

Any extension or amendment request must meet the requirements of § 11.81 of 14 CFR.

The Effect of the FAA's Decision

FAA's decision amends Exemption No. 10159D to 10159E and extends the termination date to June 30, 2024, unless sooner superseded or rescinded.

Sincerely,

