

EXEMPTION FROM SECTION 501.03 OF THE *CANADIAN AVIATION REGULATIONS*

Pursuant to subsection 5.9(2) of the *Aeronautics Act*, and after taking into account that the exemption is in the public interest and is not likely to adversely affect aviation safety or security, I hereby exempt **all Canadian aircraft owners other than a Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPAS) having a MTOW of 25kg or less or an ultra-light aeroplane from the requirement of section 501.03 of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations* (CARs).**

PURPOSE

The purpose of this exemption is to exempt all Canadian aircraft owners other than a Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPAS) having a MTOW of 25kg or less or an ultra-light aeroplane from the Annual Airworthiness Information Report (AAIR) reporting schedule set out in section 501.03 of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations* (CARs) for the data related to the 2022 year only.

Canadian aircraft owners other than a Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPAS) having a MTOW of 25kg or less or an ultra-light aeroplane will be required to provide the AAIR report for 2022 at a later date.

APPLICATION

This exemption applies to all Canadian aircraft owners other than a Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPAS) having a MTOW of 25kg or less or an ultra-light aeroplane.

CONDITIONS:

There are no applicable conditions.

VALIDITY:

This exemption is in effect until the earliest of the following:

- a) March 30, 2024, at 23:59 (EST).
- b) The date on which the exemption is cancelled in writing by the Minister where he is of the opinion that it is no longer in the public interest or is likely to adversely affect aviation safety or security.

DATED at Ottawa, Ontario, this 6th day of April 2023, on behalf of the Minister of Transport.

“Original signed by”

Félix Meunier
Director General, Civil Aviation
Transport Canada

Appendix A

Pertinent provision(s) of the *Canadian Aviation Regulations*

Subpart 1 — Annual Airworthiness Information Report

Requirement to Report

501.01 (1) Subject to subsection (2), the owner of a Canadian aircraft, other than a remotely piloted aircraft having a maximum take-off weight of 25 kg (55 pounds) or less or an ultra-light aeroplane, shall submit to the Minister an Annual Airworthiness Information Report in respect of the aircraft, in the form and manner specified in Chapter 501 of the Airworthiness Manual, either as

- (a) an individual report; or
- (b) where approved in conformity with Chapter 501 of the Airworthiness Manual, a consolidated fleet report.

(2) The submission of the Annual Airworthiness Information Report is not required where the aircraft is out of service and its owner

- (a) reports, in the form and manner specified in Chapter 501 of the Airworthiness Manual, that the aircraft is out of service and is expected to remain out of service for one or more of the reporting periods for which an Annual Airworthiness Information Report would otherwise be required; and
- (b) notifies the Minister forthwith when that aircraft is brought back into service.

Information to Be Reported

501.02 The owner of a Canadian aircraft shall provide in the Annual Airworthiness Information Report the information on the characteristics of the aircraft and on the maintenance of its airworthiness that is specified in Chapter 501 of the Airworthiness Manual.

Reporting Schedule

501.03 The owner of a Canadian aircraft shall submit the Annual Airworthiness Information Report to the Minister each year by not later than March 30 following the calendar year for which the Report was prepared or another date agreed on, beforehand, by the owner and the Minister.

Pertinent provision(s) of Standard 501 – *Standard 501 - Annual Airworthiness Information Report*

501.02 Reportable Information

(1) Pursuant to the requirements of section 501.02 of the Canadian Aviation Regulations, the following information shall be provided in the Annual Airworthiness Information Report:
(effective 2020/01/01)

(a) Registration marks;
(effective 2020/01/01)

(b) Aircraft total hours flown since new, and aircraft hours flown in the last calendar year;

(c) Except for an aircraft being operated pursuant to Part IV or Part VII of the Canadian Aviation Regulations:
(effective 2020/01/01)

(i) the most recent aircraft annual inspection or equivalent inspection date;

(ii) the name and licence number of the Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (AME) or the name and approval number of the Approved Maintenance Organization (AMO), who certified the inspection; and

(iii) for aircraft with a special certificate of airworthiness in the owner-maintenance or amateur-built classification, the name of the person who conducted the inspection;

(d) Whether the aircraft was significantly damaged since the last report and, if applicable, the date of repair certification;

(e) Applicable Type Certificate number;
(effective 2020/01/01)

Information note:

Prior to the introduction of the Canadian Aviation Regulations, Transport Canada had shown the approval of a type design by the issue of a Type Approval. Where no Type Certificate has been issued, the previous Canadian Type Approval number, or in some cases the FAA Type Certificate number, is to be inserted into this area.

(f) Aircraft base of operation;
(effective 2020/01/01)

(g) Transport Canada region in which the aircraft is registered;
(effective 2020/01/01)

(h) Type of flight authority;
(effective 2020/01/01)

- (i) Type of registration (i.e. private, commercial or state);
(effective 2020/01/01)
- (j) Aircraft make, model and serial number;
(effective 2020/01/01)
- (k) Aircraft empty weight (last weighed or amended), latest maximum certified take-off weight and landing gear configuration for each of these;
(effective 2020/01/01)
- (l) Engine(s), make, model and serial number(s), if applicable;
(effective 2020/01/01)
- (m) Propeller(s), make, model and serial number(s), if applicable;
(effective 2020/01/01)
- (n) Skis, make and model, if applicable;
(effective 2020/01/01)
- (o) Floats, make and model, if applicable; and,
(effective 2020/01/01)
- (p) Certification, by the date and signature of the registered owner or authorized agent, that the reported information is correct.
(effective 2020/01/01)

Information notes:
(effective 2020/01/01)

- (i) Current Transport Canada information related to the aircraft will be populated on the AAIR, for checking and correction purposes.
- (ii) Aircraft total hours flown since new shall be up to December 31st of the reporting period; hours flown in the last calendar year refers to January 1st to December 31st of the reporting period.
- (iii) In the case where a report is submitted via the Transport Canada website, the use of a Transport Canada supplied confidential access code will constitute the equivalent certification for the date and signature of the owner upon clicking submit.