

**BELIZE:****STATUTORY INSTRUMENT****No. 59 of 2004**

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**REGULATIONS** made by the Minister responsible for Civil Aviation, after consultation with the Belize Airports Authority, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 36 (1) (j) of the Belize Airports Authority Act, Chapter 238 of the Substantive Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, and all other powers thereunto him enabling.

(Gazetted 27th March, 2004.)

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**WHEREAS**, section 36 (1) (j) of the Belize Airports Authority Act provides that the Minister responsible for Civil Aviation may, in consultation with the Belize Airports Authority, make Regulations prescribing and regulating *inter alia*, the conditions for the use of an airport and its facilities, including the charges to be made for the use of the airport and for services or facilities provided therein;

CAP. 238.

**AND WHEREAS**, it is necessary and expedient, in order to develop the infrastructure of the Philip S. W. Goldson International Airport, to introduce an airport development fee payable by non-Belizean citizens and non-Belizean permanent residents who use the services and facilities of the Philip S. W. Goldson International Airport to depart from Belize on international flights;

**AND WHEREAS**, it is likewise necessary and expedient to introduce a passenger service fee payable by all

persons departing Belize from the Philip S. W. Goldson International Airport on international flights.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROVIDED** as follows.

Short title. 1. These Regulations may be cited as the

**BELIZE AIRPORTS AUTHORITY  
(AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT AND PASSENGER  
SERVICE FEES) REGULATIONS, 2004.**

Interpretation. 2. In these Regulations-

“airport” means the Philip S. W. Goldson International Airport;

“airport development fee” means the fee prescribed in Regulation 3;

“Authority” means the Belize Airports Authority;

“international flight” means any flight that departs from the airport for a destination outside of Belize, whether or not stopping first at any place within Belize, and includes private non-commercial flights so departing the airport;

“passenger service fee” means the fee prescribed in Regulation 4.

Airport  
development  
fee.

3. (1) This Regulation applies to persons who are not Belizean citizens and persons not permanently residing in Belize departing Belize on international flights from the airport.

(2) A person referred to in subregulation (1) shall pay an airport development fee of fifteen dollars in the currency of the United States of America.

4. (1) This Regulation, subject to Regulation 5, applies to all persons departing Belize on international flights from the airport.

Passenger  
service fee.

(2) A person referred to in subregulation (1) shall pay

(a) a passenger service fee of thirty dollars Belize, if the person is a citizen or permanent resident of Belize; or

(b) a passenger service fee of fifteen dollars in the currency of the United States of America, if the person is not a Belizean citizen or does not reside permanently in Belize.

5. The Minister may from time to time submit to the Authority a list of categories of persons including government officials, public officers and diplomats exempted from paying the passenger service fee referred to in Regulation 4.

Exemptions  
from paying  
passenger  
service fee.

6. (1) Each airline duly licensed to operate international flights to and from the Philip S. W. Goldson International Airport and each pilot of a non-commercial private aircraft departing on an international flight shall collect the airport development fee and the passenger service fee from the passengers referred to in Regulations 3 and 4 and shall pay over the same forthwith to the Authority.

Collection of  
airport  
development  
fee.

(2) Where the airport development fee or the passenger development fee was collected in the currency of the United States of America, the payment to the Authority under subregulation (1) shall be in that currency.

(3) The fees collected under these Regulations shall be paid into the revenues of the Authority.

(4) Where an airline or its agent or a pilot of a private non-commercial aircraft fails or neglects to collect or to pay

over the fees provided under these Regulations, the airline and its agent and the pilot, as the case may be-

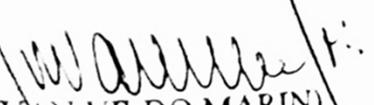
- (a) shall be liable to pay the fees, which may be recovered by the Authority as a civil debt; and
- (b) commit an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months, or to both such fine and period of imprisonment.

(5) The Minister may in writing allow the Authority to make its own arrangements for the collection of the fees payable under these Regulations.

**Commencement.**

7. These Regulations shall come into force on the 1st day of April, 2004.

**MADE** by the Minister responsible for Civil Aviation, in consultation with the Belize Airports Authority, this 27th day of February, 2004.

  
( JUAN VILDO MARIN )  
MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR CIVIL AVIATION  
MINISTER OF HEALTH AND COMMUNICATIONS