

# INFORMATION CIRCULAR

## AIR NAVIGATION CHARGES IN THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT

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**Effective from 12 AUGUST 2021**

**(Reflecting the application of terminal charges at Bernice International Airport as from 12 August 2021 – date of flight – cf. Rules governing terminal charges – Appendix 2)**

1. The EUROCONTROL Organisation is entrusted with the billing and collection of air navigation charges on behalf of the National Air Navigation Services Company. The annexed document presents the Rules governing these charges in the Arab Republic of Egypt. Air navigation charges are established in accordance with recommendations of the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO).
2. The unit rates of charge for air navigation services applicable from 1 January 2021 are the following:

Service	Unit rate	Applicable to:
Route services	<b>17.02 EUR</b>	IFR flights
Approach/aerodrome control services (terminal charge)	<b>132.44 EUR</b>	IFR flights departing from any aerodrome in the list at Appendix 2 of the Rules.

The rate of interest on late payment of route charges applicable from 1 January 2021 is **9.67% per annum**.

These rates are published in Egypt.

3. **Payment must be made only in euro (EUR)**. Details of the Bank Accounts to which users should make their payments are printed on the EUROCONTROL Bills and Statements of Accounts. Users should not pay into any other bank account other than those printed on EUROCONTROL documents. For contact details in this regard, please refer to the 'Collection, Accounting and Treasury' unit of the CRCO (see item 6).

A facility for payment by credit card is also available. For further details please contact the 'Collection, Accounting and Treasury' unit of EUROCONTROL CRCO (see item 6).

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The CRCO draws the attention of users to fraudulent attempts whereby individuals pretend to come from EUROCONTROL to try to make you pay into their bank accounts.

**EUROCONTROL does not plan to open new bank accounts in the foreseeable future - mistrust any communication that says that our bank accounts have changed. In all circumstances payments for charges must be made to the bank account numbers mentioned on EUROCONTROL documents. Users can contact the CRCO (see item 6. below – any service may be contacted) for confirmation.**

4. CEFA, the CRCO airspace users portal, allows airspace users to submit claims and follow up their status, to update fleet information, to check the latest financial situation and to view and download electronic documents related to the billing and collection of air navigation and communication charges. For contact details, please refer to the 'Billing and Customer Relations' unit of the CRCO (see item 6. below) or consult:

<https://www.eurocontrol.int/crco>

5. Comprehensive and up-to-date information on charges billed and collected by EUROCONTROL is available on the website at:

<https://www.eurocontrol.int/crco>

6. The telephone and telefax numbers as well as e-mail addresses of the EUROCONTROL CRCO units concerned are as follows:

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**ANNEX**  
**RULES GOVERNING AIR NAVIGATION CHARGES**  
**IN THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT**

**ARTICLE 1**

An air navigation charge shall be levied for each IFR flight operated in accordance with ICAO rules and regulations (General Air Traffic) in the airspace of the Cairo Flight Information Region (FIR).

The air navigation charge shall comprise the route charge and the approach and aerodrome control charge (terminal charge).

The charge shall constitute remuneration for the costs incurred by Egypt in respect of air navigation facilities and services in the Cairo Flight Information Region.

**ARTICLE 2**

EUROCONTROL shall collect charges levied on users of air navigation services, in accordance with the laws and regulations of Egypt.

These charges shall constitute a claim by EUROCONTROL.

The person liable to pay the charge shall be the person who was the operator of the aircraft at the time when the flight was performed. Where an ICAO designator is used in the flight identification, the identity of the operator of the flight shall be deemed to be that of the aircraft operating agency to whom the ICAO designator was allocated at the time of the flight. If the identity of the operator is not known, the owner of the aircraft shall be regarded as the operator unless he proves which other person was the operator.

If the operator defaults, then both the operator and the aircraft owner shall be jointly and severally liable for unpaid charges.

**ARTICLE 3**

The route charge  $R_1$  shall be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$R_1 = t_1 \times N_1$$

where  $t_1$  is the unit rate of charge and  $N_1$  the number of service units corresponding to such a flight.

The unit rate of charge ( $t_1$ ) shall be established in euro (EUR) with a maximum of two decimal points.

The unit rate of charge  $t_1$  shall be published in Egypt.

#### ARTICLE 4

For a given flight, the number of service units, designated ( $N_1$ ), referred to in the foregoing Article shall be obtained by means of the following formula:

$$N_1 = d \times p$$

where ( $d$ ) is the distance factor and ( $p$ ) the weight factor for the aircraft concerned.

#### ARTICLE 5

The distance factor ( $d$ ) shall be obtained by dividing by one hundred (100) the number of kilometres in the great circle distance between:

- the aerodrome of departure within, or the point of entry into, the airspace of Egypt, and
- the aerodrome of first destination within, or the point of exit from, the airspace of Egypt.

The distance to be taken into account shall be reduced by twenty (20) kilometres for each take-off from and for each landing on the territory of Egypt.

#### ARTICLE 6

The weight factor ( $p$ ) shall be the square root of the quotient obtained by dividing by fifty (50) the number of metric tons, expressed as a figure taken to one decimal place, in the maximum certificated take-off weight of the aircraft as the one used for calculating the EUROCONTROL route charge, as follows:

$$p = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Max. take-off weight}}{50}}$$

For the purpose of calculating the charge, the weight factor shall be expressed as a figure taken to two decimal places.

#### ARTICLE 7

The approach and aerodrome control charge ( $R_2$ ) shall be levied for any departure from any aerodrome situated on the territory of Egypt and shall be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$R_2 = t_2 \times N_2$$

where ( $t_2$ ) is the unit rate of charge and ( $N_2$ ) the number of service units corresponding to such a flight.

The unit rate of charge ( $t_2$ ) shall be established in euro (EUR) with a maximum of two decimal points.

The unit rate of charge ( $t_2$ ) shall be published in Egypt.

#### **ARTICLE 8**

For a given departing flight, the number of service units in respect of the approach and aerodrome control charge, designated ( $N_2$ ), shall be equal to the Maximum Take-Off Weight expressed in metric tonnes which is used for calculating the weight factor ( $p$ ) as described in Article 6.

#### **ARTICLE 9**

Exemptions from the payment of air navigation charges are granted in accordance with the laws and regulations of Egypt.

#### **ARTICLE 10**

The charge shall be payable at EUROCONTROL's Headquarters, in accordance with the conditions of payment set out in the Appendix 1. The currency of account used shall be the euro (EUR).

#### **ARTICLE 11**

These Rules and the unit rates of charge shall be published in Egypt.

**APPENDIX 1****CONDITIONS OF PAYMENT****CLAUSE 1**

The amounts billed shall be payable in euro (EUR) into the EUROCONTROL Central Route Charges Office's bank account shown on the bill.

Notwithstanding the paragraph above, any user who is a national of Egypt, may pay the charge amounts billed to him in Egyptian Pounds (EGP). The payments must be made into the designated EUROCONTROL Central Route Charges Office's (Egyptian Pounds) bank account in Egypt, shown on the bill.

Where a user avails himself of the facility referred to in the foregoing paragraph, the conversion into Egyptian Pounds of the euro amount shall be effected at the daily exchange rate used for commercial transactions for the value date and place of payment.

The amount of the charge is due on the date of performance of the flight. The latest value date by which payment must be received by EUROCONTROL shall be shown on the bill.

The time granted to users for payment of air navigation charges, i.e. the interval between the bill date and the date for payment shown on the bill, shall be identical to the time granted to users for payment of the EUROCONTROL route charges.

**CLAUSE 2**

Payment shall be deemed to have been received by EUROCONTROL on the value date on which the amount due was credited into the banking establishment designated by EUROCONTROL, referred to in Clause 1 paragraph 1. The value date shall be the date on which EUROCONTROL can use the funds.

**CLAUSE 3**

Payments shall be accompanied by a statement giving the references, dates and amounts in respect of bills paid and of any credit notes deducted.

**CLAUSE 4**

Claims against bills must be submitted to EUROCONTROL in writing or by an electronic medium previously approved by EUROCONTROL. The latest date by which claims must be received by EUROCONTROL shall be shown on the bill and shall be identical to that applicable to the EUROCONTROL route charges.

The date of submission of claims shall be the date on which the claims are received by EUROCONTROL.

Claims must be detailed and should be accompanied by any relevant supporting evidence.

Submission of a claim by a user shall not entitle him to make any deduction from the relevant bill unless so authorised by EUROCONTROL.

Where EUROCONTROL and a user are mutually debtor and creditor no compensation payments shall be effected without EUROCONTROL's prior agreement.

#### **CLAUSE 5**

Any charge the amount of which has not been paid by the due date of the bill shall be increased by the addition thereto of interest. The interest, entitled Interest on Late Payment, shall be simple interest calculated from day to day on the unpaid overdue amount.

The interest will be calculated and billed in euro (EUR). The interest rate shall be published in Egypt.

#### **CLAUSE 6**

Where a debtor has not paid the amount due, measures may be taken to enforce recovery.

**APPENDIX 2****Aerodromes**

Below is the complete list of Aerodromes to which the Terminal charge shall apply.

HEAR	El-Arish
HEBL	Abu-Simbel
HEAX	Alexandria
HESN	Aswan
HEAT	Asyut
HEBA	Borg El-Arab
HECA	Cairo
HEDK	Dakhla
HEKG	El-Kharga
HEGR	El-Gora
HEMM	Marsa-Matruh
HETR	El-Tor
HEGN	Hurghada
HELX	Luxor
HEOC	October
HEPS	Port-Said
HEOW	Shark El-Oweinat
HESH	Sharm El-Sheikh
HESC	St. Catherine
HETB	Taba
HESG	Suhag
HESX	Sphinx
HECP	Capital
HEBR	Bernice