



MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 076-2025

TO : ALL CONCERNED

FROM : THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

SUBJECT : AMENDMENT TO PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS PARTS 1 AND 13, RE: PROVISION OF INFORMATION ON ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

REFERENCE/S:

1. Philippine Civil Aviation Regulation Parts 1 and 13
2. Regulations and Standards Management Manual
3. Board Resolution No. 2025-33

Pursuant to the powers vested on the Director General of the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines under Republic Act No. 9497, otherwise known as the Civil Aviation Authority Act of 2008 and in accordance with the Regulations and Standards Management Manual with Board Resolution No. 2025-033, I hereby approve the incorporation of the following amendments to the Philippine Civil Aviation Regulations Parts 1 and 13.

EXPLANATORY NOTE:

This Memorandum Circular proposes an amendment to the Philippine Civil Aviation Regulations (PCAR) Part 13, as initiated by the Aircraft Accident and Incident Investigation Board (AAIIB). The amendment formally assigns the Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) the responsibility of providing timely and appropriate information to families of victims and survivors following an aircraft accident. This aims to enhance transparency and compassion while including safeguards to protect the integrity and objectives of the investigation.

Furthermore, updates to the Definition of Terms in PCAR Part 1, Appendix A, are proposed to align terminology and reference notes with the recent renumbering of PCAR Part 13 provisions.

These changes reflect CAAP's commitment to keeping the regulations aligned with international standards and best practices in aviation safety and accident investigation.

AMENDED TEXT:

PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS PART 1

APPENDIX A: DEFINITIONS



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Incident. An occurrence, other than an accident, associated with the operation of an aircraft which affects or could affect the safety of such operation.

Note 1: The Mandatory Reportable Incidents are listed in IS 13.175-1, 2, & 3 13.7.4-1, 2 and 3.

Note 2: The types of incidents which are of main interest to the ICAO for accident prevention studies are listed in IS 13.030 13.2.3. (List of Examples of Serious Incidents)

Investigator. Means an Investigator of Accidents appointed under paragraph 13.100 13.5.3(b).

Investigator-in-charge. Means a person designated by the Chairman on the basis of his or her qualifications as such under paragraph 13.100 13.5.3(d) and charged with the responsibility for the organization, conduct and control of an investigation;

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PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS PART 13

13.5.10 PROVISION OF INFORMATION ABOUT ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

The Investigator-In-Charge has the responsibility to provide relevant, timely, and validated information to the families and the accident survivors regarding the progress of the investigation, provided that it does not compromise the objective of the investigation.

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FINAL TEXT:

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"End of Text"

Separability Clause - If, for any reason, any provision of this Memorandum Circular is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other part or parts thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Repealing Clause - All orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Memorandum Circular are hereby repealed, superseded, or modified accordingly.

Determination of Changes - To highlight the amendments and/or revisions in the Memorandum Circular, the deleted text shall be shown with strikethrough and the new inserted text shall be highlighted with grey shading, as illustrated below:

1. Text deleted: ~~Text to be deleted is shown with a line through it.~~
2. New text inserted: **New text is highlighted with grey shading.**
3. New text replacing existing text: ~~Text to be deleted is shown with a line through it~~ followed by the replacement text which is highlighted with grey shading.

Effectivity - Fifteen (15) days after compliance with the requisite publication in a single newspaper of general circulation and a copy filed with the U.P. Law Center – Office of the National Administrative Register, these amendments shall be incorporated to the Philippine CAR, series of 2025.

Signed this 17 day of DEC, CAAP, Pasay City


LT GEN RAUL L DEL ROSARIO AFP (RET)
Director General