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This newsletter provides an important update for UK administered aircraft operators on 2017 compliance, including details of changes to simplified reporting eligibility

2017 Scheme Year Compliance

Aircraft operators with a 'Live' status in ETSWAP will now have a 2017 scheme year emissions report form available in their work queue. If you are currently marked as 'Exempt' (commercial or non-commercial) in ETSWAP but have a compliance obligation for the 2017 scheme year, you <u>must</u> inform us as soon as possible so we can amend your status. This will allow a reporting task to be presented in your work queue.

Use of the Simplified Reporting Procedure

As a result of a recent amendment to the EU ETS Directive⁽¹⁾ aircraft operators with annual 'intra-EEA' emissions below 3,000tCO₂ can now use Eurocontrol Support Facility (ETS SF) data to complete their emissions report in ETSWAP without the requirement for independent verification. If you decide to use simplified reporting please contact us so that we can tell you how to obtain your ETS SF data.

Aircraft operators with 'full scope' emissions below 25,000tCO₂ are still eligible to use simplified reporting.

2017 Scheme Year Compliance Timeline

Please note the important compliance deadlines below:

31 March 2018 (23:59 UK time) Submit your emissions report via ETSWAP

If you are eligible to use simplified reporting, you must check your Eurocontrol ETS Support Facility (ETS SF) flight and emissions data against your own records to ensure it is complete and accurate; any error could lead to an incorrect report and/or an under-surrender of allowances, which may leave you liable to a civil penalty.

If you identify any errors or issues with your ETS SF data please contact <u>Eurocontrol</u> as soon as possible to get this corrected before completing your emissions report in ETSWAP. Please ensure that you attach a copy of the email you receive from Eurocontrol containing your ETS SF report to your ETSWAP emissions report prior to submission.

If you are not eligible to use simplified reporting or do not wish to use this method, your 2017 scheme year emissions report must be submitted to an independent verifier for verification before it can be submitted to us. Failure to meet the reporting deadline is a breach of the UK Regulations, which may lead to a civil penalty.

31 March 2018 (23:59 Brussels time)

Enter your reportable emissions in the UK Registry You must enter your reportable emissions into your Aircraft Operator Holding Account (AOHA) within the UK Registry by this date.

If your emissions report has been verified, your verifier is also required to confirm the emissions figure in your AOHA by this date. If you are using simplified reporting we will confirm whether your reportable emissions figure matches your ETS SF data.

If you are using simplified reporting, but have previously used an independent verifier, please remove your verifier from your AOHA prior to entering your reportable emissions.

30 April 2018 (23:59 Brussels time) Surrender your allowances from your AOHA

You must surrender allowances equivalent to your 2017 reportable emissions by this date. It is your responsibility to ensure that any allowances you require for surrender are delivered to your AOHA on time.

If you have an AOHA please login to your account and check that you have at least two Authorised Representatives (ARs) and that they will be available during March and April 2018 to carry out your compliance tasks. If you need to make any changes to your AOHA or have yet to open an AOHA, please contact our Registry Team urgently <u>here</u>.

Operators who fail to surrender sufficient allowances by 30 April 2018 are liable to receive a mandatory civil penalty equivalent to €100⁽²⁾ per tonne for each allowance that they fail to surrender.

Eurocontrol - Small Emitters Tool (SET)

Aircraft operators eligible to use the SET to estimate their CO_2 emissions should use version 5.07 of the SET for their 2017 scheme year compliance. A copy of the SET can be found <u>here</u>.

Talking to us

If you have any questions regarding EU ETS compliance please contact our ET Aviation helpdesk.

www.gov.uk/environment-agency

⁽¹⁾ REGULATION (EU) 2017/2392. ⁽²⁾ As adjusted by the relevant factor in the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices.