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Part 119 (Australian Air Transport Operations—Certification and Management) Manual of Standards 2026

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Chapter 1—Preliminary

1.01 Name

(1) This instrument is the *Part 119 (Australian Air Transport Operations—Certification and Management) Manual of Standards 2026*.

(2) This instrument may also be cited as the Part 119 Manual of Standards.

1.02 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after it is registered.

1.03 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998*.

Note: CASA may issue a Manual of Standards for Part 119 (Australian air transport operators—certification and management): see regulation 119.045 of CASR.

1.04 Definitions

Note: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in the Dictionary at the end of the *Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998*, or in section 3 of the *Civil Aviation Act 1988*.

In this instrument:

CASR means the *Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998.*

passenger transport operation: see clause 75 of Part 2 of the CASR Dictionary.

special certificate of airworthiness: see regulation 21.175 of CASR.

Chapter 2—Operations included in, or excluded from, definitions for Part 119, etc.

2.02 Other operations that are excluded from definition of *Australian air transport operation*

(1) This section prescribes operations, conducted using an aeroplane or rotorcraft, that are excluded from the definition of ***Australian air transport operation***.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph 119.010(2)(d) of CASR, each of the following operations is prescribed:

(a) the operation of an aircraft to facilitate a parachute descent in a passenger transport operation conducted for hire or reward;

(b) a passenger transport operation conducted for hire or reward using a foreign registered aircraft, if the circumstances mentioned in subsection (3) apply.

Note: Operating an aircraft to facilitate a parachute descent is a ***parachuting activity***, defined in regulation 105.010 of CASR and regulated under Part 105 (including the Part 105 Manual of Standards).

(3) For paragraph (2)(b), the circumstances are:

(a) an authorisation (however described) that is equivalent in function and scope to a special certificate of airworthiness, issued by the national aviation authority of a Contracting State, is in force for the aircraft and covers the operation; and

(b) any passenger carried during the operation is a person who is involved in an activity directly associated with the operation; and

(c) a special flight authorisation has been granted in respect of the aircraft and is in force.

Note: Special flight authorisations are provided for under regulation 91.970 of CASR.