

# General Civil Aviation Policy

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The aviation industry plays a pivotal role in supporting economic and social development, as well as in the advancement of travel, tourism, and trade in the Sultanate of Oman. It contributes to enhancing connectivity and communication with the outside world. In light of the rapid global developments in this industry, there has been a growing need to establish a comprehensive general policy for the aviation sector to enhance safety and security, adopt best environmental practices in aviation, develop infrastructure, attract investments, and improve the efficiency of services provided.

In this context, and in accordance with the responsibilities of the Civil Aviation Authority as stipulated in Article 4 of Royal Decree No. (43/2013), which issued the Authority's regulatory framework, the "General Civil Aviation Policy" aims to outline the government's objectives and directions for the sector.



## Vision of the Aviation Sector

Thrust the Omani aviation sector to new horizons, catalysing the Sultanate's sustainable growth.



## Objectives of the General Policy

Establish a general policy for the civil aviation sector within its defined areas in parallel with other sectoral policies.

Create a general framework that outlines the features and directions of the Government of the Sultanate of Oman in the civil aviation sector.

Develop a roadmap for preparing a national aviation strategy that aligns with Oman Vision 2040 and related national strategies.

## Fields of the Policy



### Aviation Safety and Security

Ensure adherence to the highest international standards and best practices established by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) regarding aviation safety and security, in line with the Civil Aviation Law of the Sultanate of Oman, national regulations, and relevant agreements to which Oman is a party.



### Air Transport

Establish sustainable air transport both internationally and locally by entering into air transport service agreements to enhance Oman's international connectivity with countries around the world.



### Infrastructure Development in the Aviation Sector

Enable the economic development of the civil aviation sector by increasing investment opportunities for private sector participation and enhancing fair competition to achieve national objectives.



### Economic Regulation

Enhance operational efficiency and excellence in service provided.



### Protection of Passengers Rights

Ensure the protection of the rights of passengers and beneficiaries of air transport services.



### Oman Airspace

Develop and improve the efficiency of Oman airspace by enhancing meteorological and air navigation services to enable and support the growth of the aviation sector.



### Environmental Protection

Reduce the environmental impact of the aviation sector in accordance with the standards and practices established by the International Civil Aviation Organization, as stipulated in relevant treaties and agreements to which the Sultanate of Oman is a member, and in line with the Civil Aviation Law of the Sultanate of Oman and national regulations.