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Changes to the DLS IR...

At the Single Sky Committee (SSC) Meeting 55, which took place on 14/15 Jan 2015, the SSC passed a favorable opinion on the proposed amendments to Regulation (EC) 29/2009 (DLS-IR). The regulation 2015/310 which amends Regulation 29/2009 has now been published and is available from the [European Commission web site](#).

The important date changes to Regulation (EC) 29/2009 – in a simplified form - are:

- ◆ The amended regulation will be applicable as from 05 Feb 2018**
- ◆ All ANSPs should be ready by 05 Feb 2018**
- ◆ All aircraft should be equipped by 05 Feb 2020 (there is no longer a distinction between forward fit and retrofit)**

Regarding exemptions, the commission stated that once this Amending Regulation is adopted the 3rd Decision on Exemptions cannot be adopted and can be considered de facto irrelevant (as the Regulation will not "apply" anymore). However, the extra delay for fitting/retrofitting the airborne side until Feb 2020 will allow the Commission, pending results of on-going studies (notably by SJU), to work on a revision of the exemption procedure in what they call the STEP2 of this 2-step approach in the review of the DLS Regulation.