

**Reference No:** E105/8/67 ; **Date:** 20/10/71

### **Circular 36/1971:- Use of Air Transport**

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1. I am directed by the Minister for Finance to say that the following regulations regarding the use of air transport for official journeys supersede those contained in Circular 19/49 which is withdrawn as from this date.
2. Air travel may be used for any official journey for which a convenient flight is available. This permission for the use of air transport constitutes official permission for the purposes of section 4(b) of the Superannuation Act, 1887 (Section 1) Warrant, 1946 (S.R. & O. No. 236 of 1946) which makes special provision for officers who are injured, or die as a result of injuries received while using air transport on official business.
3. It is not compulsory on any officer to travel by air unless his conditions of service so require it
4. When available, first class travel may be used by Ministers, Parliamentary Secretaries, officers of Assistant Secretary rank and upwards and corresponding grades. It may also be used by an officer of lower rank when in order to deal with official business which cannot otherwise be dealt with, he necessarily travels with an officer entitled to first class travel.
5. All reservations should be made through the agency of Aer Lingus/Aerlinte and through the appropriate Departmental channel. Aer Lingus/Aerlinte flights should be used whenever this is reasonably possible.

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Sean F Murray