

**UNCONTROLLED WHEN PRINTED****POLICY STATEMENT 25 | REGULATION OF ANNEX 5 UNITS OF MEASUREMENT  
TO BE USED IN AIR AND GROUND OPERATIONS**

**Effective date of Implementation:** 14 October 2005

**Rationale:**

The Civil Aviation Act commits the UK to implementing the Chicago Convention and, therefore, its Annexes. Further to that, ASSI's explicit policy is to comply with Standards and safety-related Recommended Practices (see Policy Statement 02). ICAO Annex 5 sets out units of measurement to be used in aviation operations and related requirements are to be found in OTAR Part 1.

In the course of normal regulatory activity for other annexes the use of units of measurements can be appraised. For example, inspectors monitoring pilot or controller operations can assess the proper use of the unit of measurement for visibility (kilometres correct, nautical miles and statute miles incorrect) or atmospheric pressure (hectopascals correct, inches of mercury incorrect). However, inspectors shall be cognisant that use of non-ICAO units is permissible under certain circumstances detailed in OTAR Part 1 and/or are notified by ASSI as Significant Differences against the Standards.

**Policy Statements:**

1. During audits or assessments, Inspectors should be alert to the units of measurement used and record them as appropriate in their reports.
2. Units of measurement as a specific topic shall be mentioned in audit reports as appropriate.