

3.6. *Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC)*

The Aeronautical Information Circulars (AIC) contain information on the long-term forecast of any major changes in legislation, regulation, procedure or facility; information of a purely explanatory or advisory nature liable to affect flight safety; and information or notification of an explanatory or advisory nature concerning technical, legislative or purely administrative matters. AICs are divided by subject and are issued in two series (A and B). AIC Series A contains information affecting international civil aviation and is given international distribution, while AIC Series B contains information affecting national aviation only and is given national distribution.

Each AIC is numbered consecutively within each series on a calendar year basis. The year, indicated by two digits, is a part of the serial number of the AIC, e.g. AIC A 1/96; AIC B 1/96. A checklist of AIC currently in force is issued as an AIC once a year.

3.7. *Checklist and List of valid NOTAM*

A checklist of valid NOTAM is issued monthly via the AFS. The checklist is followed by a printed list of valid NOTAM distributed by mail to all recipients of the Integrated Aeronautical Information Package. It contains a plain language (in English) presentation of the valid NOTAM and information about the number of the latest issued AIP AMDT, AIRAC AIP AMDT, AIP SUP and AIC as well as the number of the elements issued under the AIRAC that will become effective or, if none, the NIL AIRAC notification.

3.8. *Sale of Publication*

The AIP may be purchased from the Aeronautical Information Services; Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal, Babar Mahal at US \$ 80 (Plus US \$ 20 for postage); The fee for the AIP AMDT service is US \$ 10 per year ((Plus US \$ 10 for postage, to be paid in advance). AIP supplements and Aeronautical circulars are available free of charge to all subscribers of the AIP.

4. **AIRAC System**

4.1. In order to control and regulate the operationally significant changes requiring amendments to charts, route-manuals etc., such changes, whenever possible, will be issued on predetermined dates according to the AIRAC System. This type of information will be published as an AIRAC AIP AMDT or an AIRAC AIP SUP. If an AIRAC AMDT or SUP cannot be produced due to lack of time, NOTAM clearly marked AIRAC will be issued. Such NOTAM will immediately be followed by an AMDT or SUP.

4.2. The table below indicates AIRAC effective dates for the coming years. AIRAC information will be issued so that the information will be received by the user not later than 28 days, and for major changes not later than 56 days, before the effective date. At AIRAC effective date, a trigger NOTAM will be issued giving a brief description of the contents, effective date and reference number of the AIRAC AIP AMDT or AIRAC AIP SUP that will become effective on that date. Trigger NOTAM will remain in force as a reminder in the PIB until the new checklist/list is issued.

If no information was submitted for publication at the AIRAC date, a NIL notification will be issued by NOTAM not later than one AIRAC cycle before the AIRAC effective date concerned.