

Section A

General

1. Educational Qualification— (a) The minimum educational qualification for the following licences shall be a pass in Class Ten from a recognised Board or its equivalent examination :-

- (i) Student Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes/Helicopters/Gliders/Balloons and Microlight aircraft).
- (ii) Private Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes);
- (iii) Private Pilot's Licence (helicopters);
- (iv) Pilot's Licence (Gliders/Balloons/Microlight aircraft).
- (v) Flight Radio Telephone Operator's Licence.

(b) The minimum educational qualification for the following licences shall be a pass in class Ten plus Two, with Physics and Mathematics, from a recognised Board/university or its equivalent examination :-

- (i) Commercial Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes);
- (ii) Commercial Pilot's Licence (Helicopters);
- (iii) Senior Commercial Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes);
- (iv) Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes);
- (v) Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (Helicopters);
- (vi) Student Navigator's Licence;
- (vii) Flight Navigator's Licence
- (viii) Student Flight Engineer's Licence; and
- (ix) Flight Engineer's Licence.
- (x) Flight Radio Telephone Operator's Licence.

2. Flying Experience — (a) The evidence normally required as proof of flying experience shall consist of the production of a personal log book certified by the appropriate authority specified in Sub-Rule (4) of Rule 67A, or of a certified extract therefrom in the form which may be

prescribed by the Director-General. Such flying experience shall be to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

(b) The flying experience required for the issue of Private Pilot's Licence and Commercial Pilot's Licences shall be acquired under the supervision of a Flight Instructor and shall be on aircraft having valid Certificate of Airworthiness, maintained in accordance with Rules 57-60 except Rule 59A and entered in the Aircraft Rating of Pilot's licence currently held by him.

(c) The flying experience required for issue of Private Pilot's and Commercial Pilot's Licences shall be acquired at the flying training organisations approved/recognised by the Director-General except in respect of the applicants qualifying for exemption under Rule 41.

(d) The flying experience acquired for the issue of various categories of flight crew licences shall be counted in the manner set out in Rule 67A.

(e) Flying training shall be completed in accordance with the syllabus prescribed by the Director-General.

3. Air Navigation experience — The evidence of air navigation experience acquired in para (e) of Section V of this Schedule must be produced in the form of personal log book certified by a specified authority, or a certified extract therefrom in the prescribed form and navigation logs and charts. Such air navigation experience shall be to the satisfaction of the Director-General.

4. Flight by night— Flight by night for the purpose of this Schedule, except where otherwise stated, means a flight performed between the period of half an hour after sunset and half an hour before sunrise.

5. Cross-country flight— (a) A cross-country flight for the purpose of Sections J, K, L, M and N of this Schedule, unless otherwise stated, means a flight to a point beyond a radius of one hundred nautical miles from the aerodrome of departure whether over land or sea.

(b) A cross-country flight, for the purpose of Sections E, F & G of this Schedule, shall mean a flight to a point beyond a radius of fifty nautical miles from the aerodrome of departure.

6. Flying tests— (a) The flying tests, prescribed in this Schedule may be carried out in any order by an Examiner approved by the Director-General.

(b) The flying tests shall, nevertheless be carried out only after the pilot under test has passed the examination in Aircraft and Engines on the type appropriate to the category of licence.

(c) Stalling and spinning manoeuvres shall be carried out only on the type of aeroplane approved and the recovery from such manoeuvres completed at the minimum height above the ground or obstruction as laid down in the flight manual of the aeroplane or as specified by the Director-General and in no case below two thousand feet above the ground or obstruction.

(d) the holder of a current Commercial Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes/Helicopters), Senior Commercial Pilot's Licence, issued by the Director-General, shall not be required to undergo general flying test for the issue of Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes/Helicopters), provided that the aircraft/helicopter is entered in the Aircraft Rating of his licence and the applicant is in current flying practice on the type.

6A Language Proficiency.— (a) An applicant for the following licences shall have the ability to speak and understand the English language used for radiotelephony communications to the level of proficiency specified by the Director General:—

- (i) Private Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes);
- (ii) Private Pilot's Licence (Helicopters);
- (iii) Commercial Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes);
- (iv) Commercial Pilot's Licence (Helicopters);
- (v) Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes);
- (vi) Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (Helicopters);
- (vii) Flight Engineer's Licence, and
- (viii) Flight Navigator's Licence.

(b) The level of proficiency shall be evaluated in accordance with the procedures laid down by Director General.

(c) The licencing authority shall indicate the level of proficiency in the licence.

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7. Examination — (a) The technical and other examinations for the issue of a licence, rating or type rating under this Schedule shall be completed within a period of two and a half years immediately preceding the date of application for the issue of the licence or rating, except for issue of Commercial Pilot's Licence (CPL) and Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (ATPL), and for issue of CPL and ATPL, such period shall be five years.

(b) In case the technical and other examinations and /or tests expire on a holiday, they shall be deemed to be valid till the next working day.

(c) All oral examinations under this Schedule shall be conducted by a board constituted and approved by the Director-General.

(d) An applicant who fails in any subject of the technical examinations specified in this Schedule shall not be permitted to appear for re-examination within a period of six weeks from the date of examination or such lesser period as may be specified by the Director-

General.

(e) The candidates shall, on demand by the Examiner/Supervisor furnish proof of identity before each test of examination.

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8. Applications for a licence or a rating — (a) Applications for issue/validation of a licence and/or a rating shall be made to the Director-General of Civil Aviation, New Delhi and for renewal/revalidation of a licence and/or a rating shall be made either to the Director-General of Civil Aviation, New Delhi or to any other authority designated by him in this behalf on a prescribed form.

(b) Licence and Ratings specified in this Schedule shall be issued in the name as entered in the Class X Certificate of a recognised Board or its equivalent.

(c) Class Ten Certificate of a recognised Board or its equivalent or the Birth Certificate issued by a Municipal Corporation/Committee shall be the documents acceptable as proof of age.

(d) Application for the issue of a licence and/or rating shall be accompanied by :-

- (i) an assessment of medical fitness issued by the Director-General;
- (ii) Three unmounted photographs, of size 3 CMs X 4 CMs, of the applicant's head (uncovered) and shoulders in front view;
- (iii) proof of age as prescribed in para (c) ;
- (iv) a crossed bank/Indian Postal Order/Treasury receipt towards the payment of the prescribed fee, payable in the manner prescribed by the Director-General.
- (v) any other information as required by the Director-General.

(e) The date of application, shall be the date of receipt of application in the office of the Director- General.

(f) An aircraft type to be included in the Aircraft Rating of a Pilot's licence shall be the aircraft type on the Indian Register of Civil Aircraft and in respect of which a valid Certificate of Airworthiness is in force.

9. Privileges-No person holding a current pilot's licence shall exercise the privileges of his licence and rating unless he has satisfactorily undertaken a 'Flight Review' in the preceding twenty four months, to show that he maintains the requisite competency and

knowledge, in accordance with the procedure laid down by the Director-General in this behalf:

Provided that the requirement of 'Flight Review' shall be deemed to have been met in case the holder of the pilot's licence or rating has satisfactorily undergone any one of the following flying tests or checks in the preceding twenty four months, namely:-

(a) the skill test required for issued or renewal of the relevant licence or extension of the rating;

(b) the proficiency checks laid down in the paragraphs specifying the privileges in various Sections of this Schedule relating to pilot's licences; and

(c) the skill tests required for issue of renewal of Assistant Flight Instructors' Rating or Flight Instructors' Rating, or a competency check required for renewal of these ratings.