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REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL OF A LAPSED AIRCRAFT TYPE RATING

As per the requirements of ICAO Annex 1 and the Civil Aviation (Personnel Licensing) (Flight Crew), (Other Personnel) and (General) Regulations 2013, a person shall not exercise the privileges of a Licence and Rating issued by the Authority unless that Licence and Rating, is current and valid.

This AIC is therefore issued to provide guidance, information and procedures required to be followed in applying for renewal of a lapsed aircraft type, that has remained lapsed for more than twelve (12) Months as per Civil Aviation (Personnel Licensing) (Flight Crew) Regulations PART X, Regulation 63.

1. General Information

- 1.1** Where an applicant has not flown an aircraft type that is endorsed on his licence for a period of twelve (12) months, the currency and validity of that aircraft type Rating are lapsed.
- 1.2** To ensure the validity of the aircraft type rating for Private Pilots, the applicant shall complete a minimum of 5 hours as a Pilot in Command on each aircraft type rating endorsed in the revalidation page of the licence within the preceding 12 months.

2. That has lapsed for more a year but not more than two (2) years:

2.1 For aircraft type with certificated weight of below 5,700 kg's.

2.1.1 The applicant shall;

- a) Renew a type rating, if he or she has completed a satisfactory skill test with an authorized examiner in the areas of operation listed in the skills test for the appropriate category and aircraft type as applicable.
- b) have an endorsement on his personal log book from the examiner that he is competent to operate the type of aircraft as a PIC
- c) have a valid licence.

2.2 For aircraft type with certificated weight of 5,700 kg's and above.

2.2.1 The applicant shall;

- a) have received refresher training from an authorised type rating instructor with the relevant licence, category and aircraft type rating. The refresher training can be done either in an approved Flight Simulation Training Device (FSTD) or actual aircraft; this will be conducted as per the approved syllabus. When done in the FSTD it will be conducted as per the approved syllabus and when done in the actual aircraft it will be conducted as per the approved Operator's Operations manual.
- b) have an endorsement on his personal log book from the instructor that he has satisfactorily completed the refresher training and is prepared for the re-currency aircraft type rating skill test.
- c) pass the aircraft type rating re-currency skill test and
- d) have a valid licence

3. That has lapsed for two (2) years and not more than ten (10) years

3.1 For aircraft type certificated for weight below 5,700 kg's.

The applicant shall;

- a) have received refresher training from an authorised instructor with the relevant licence, category and aircraft type rating. The refresher training can be done either in an approved Flight Simulation Training Device (FSTD) or actual aircraft; this will be conducted as per the approved syllabus. When done in the FSTD it will be conducted as per the approved syllabus and when done in the actual aircraft it will be conducted as per the approved Operator's Operations manual;
- b) have an endorsement on his personal log book from the instructor that he is prepared for the initial aircraft type rating skill test;

- c) pass the initial aircraft type rating technical knowledge test, skill test and
- d) have a valid licence.

3.2 For aircraft type certificated for weight of 5,700 kgs and above.

3.2.1 The applicant shall;

- a) have received refresher training from an authorised Type Rating Instructor with the relevant licence, category and aircraft type rating. The refresher training can be done either in an approved Flight Simulation Training Device (FSTD) or actual aircraft; this will be conducted as per the approved syllabus. When done in the FSTD it will be conducted as per the approved syllabus and when done in the actual aircraft it will be conducted as per the approved Operator's Operations manual;
- b) present personal flying logbook certified by an authorised Type Rating Instructor that he has received initial aircraft type rating training and is prepared for the initial type rating skill test;
- c) pass an aircraft type rating technical knowledge test, initial skill test and
- d) have a valid licence.

4. That has lapsed for more than ten (10) years –

4.1.1 The applicant shall;

- a) meet the requirements for the Initial issue of the aircraft type rating.

This circular becomes effective immediately

