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Covid-19 Outbreak: Extension of Validity Periods for Licenses, Ratings and Certificates of Aircrew, Instructors, Examiners, Aircraft Maintenance Licence Holders and Air Traffic Controllers

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1. Purpose

This Information Notice contains recommendations regarding operational safety. Recipients must ensure that this Information Notice is copied to all members of their staff who need to take appropriate action or who may have an interest in the information (including any 'in-house' or contracted maintenance organizations and relevant outside contractors).

2. Introduction

In response to the exceptional circumstances caused by the Covid-19 outbreak and in line with the LYCAA guidance, the LYCAA on pursuant to LYCARs-Part .RMK Subpart E, exempts all operators, aircrew, instructors, examiners, aircraft maintenance license holders and air traffic controllers for whom the LYCAA is the Competent Authority, wherever normal revalidation facilities are not available, from the requirements detailed in paragraphs 3 to 6, as appropriate, subject to any conditions therein.

3. Validity period of licenses, ratings and certificates issued in accordance with LYCAR-Aircrew - Part FCL and Part-MED

3.1. Subject to the conditions in 3.2, aircrew are exempted from the standard validity periods of the following ratings or certificates, that expire on 1st February 2020 or after which may be extended until 31 October 2020:

- (a) class ratings, type ratings and instrument ratings endorsed in Part-FCL commercial pilot licenses (CPL, MPL, ATPL) for operating aeroplanes and helicopters representing those classes and types within an organisation for which LYCAR - Part-ORO is applicable;
- (b) valid Part-MED Class 1 medical certificates of holders of the ratings and certificates specified in (a) and (c);
- (c) Part-FCL instructor and examiner certificates the holders of which are involved in training and checking of holders of the class ratings, type ratings and instrument ratings specified in (a) above;
- (d) language proficiency endorsements as per FCL.055; and
- (e) valid medical reports of cabin crew as per MED.C.030.

3.2. **The conditions mentioned in 3.1 are that:**

- (a) Part-FCL license holders shall comply with the following:
 - (i) hold a valid class or type rating and instrument rating if applicable;
 - (ii) operate under the management system of an organisation for which Part-ORO is applicable; and
 - (iii) have received refresher training, followed by the completion of an assessment by means established by the operator to determine that the required level of knowledge to operate the applicable class or type has been maintained. That assessment shall include class or type specific abnormal and emergency procedures.
- (b) Upon successful completion of the refresher training and the assessment as per (a) (iii), the license shall be endorsed with the new expiry date preferably by a type rating examiner (TRE) nominated by the operator, or exceptionally the LYCAA. (See Note 4)
- (c) Part-FCL instructor and examiner certificate holders shall hold a valid instructor and, if applicable, a valid examiner certificate. An appropriately qualified TRE or Senior Examiner, nominated by the operator, or exceptionally the LYCAA, shall endorse the certificate with the new expiry date. (See Note 4)

- (d) Part-MED Class 1 medical certificate holders who are under additional medical surveillance (e.g. by their AME or the LYCAA) should continue to comply with the specified requirements (e.g. provision of reports) imposed by their AME or the LYCAA. Failure to do so may invalidate their medical certificate and/or the applicability of this exemption to them. If difficulties arise the certificate holder should contact their AME who may need to be advised by the LYCAA. (See Note 4)
- (e) Part-MED cabin crew medical report holders who are under additional medical surveillance (e.g. by their AME or the LYCAA) should continue to comply with the specified requirements (e.g. provision of reports) imposed by their AME or the LYCAA. Failure to do so may invalidate their medical certificate and/or the applicability of this exemption to them. If difficulties arise the certificate holder should contact their AME who may need to be advised by the LYCAA. (See Note 4)

4. Validity period of training and checking in accordance with LYCAR Part-ORO

4.1. Subject to the conditions in 4.2, operators are exempted from the standard validity periods of training and checking, as set out in the applicable training and checking requirements of Part-ORO listed below and that expire on 1st February 2020 or later. Validity periods may be extended to 31st October 2020. All of the following:

- (a) operator proficiency checks (OPC) in accordance with ORO.FC.230(b) and ORO.FC.330;
- (b) operator line-oriented evaluation in accordance with ORO.FC.A.245(d), if applicable;
- (c) operator line checks (LC) in accordance with point ORO.FC.230(c);
- (d) operator emergency and safety equipment training and checking in accordance with ORO.FC.230(d);
- (e) operator crew resource management recurrent training in accordance with ORO.FC.230(e)(1) and (e)(2);
- (f) operator recurrent training and checking in accordance with ORO.FC.130 of Part-ORO.
- (g) operator ground and flight training in accordance with ORO.FC.230(f);
- (h) operator cabin crew member recurrent training and checking in accordance with ORO.CC.140; and
- (i) operator technical crew member recurrent training in accordance with ORO.TC.135.

4.2. The conditions mentioned in 4.1 are that:

- (a) for operator proficiency checks (OPC) in accordance with ORO.FC.230(b) and ORO.FC.330, line-oriented evaluation in accordance with ORO.FC.A.245(d) as well as line checks in accordance with ORO.FC.230(c), if applicable, the operator shall ensure that flight crew benefitting from this exemption shall comply with paragraph 3.2(a) above and any additional Part-SPA related exercises, as appropriate; and
- (b) for flight crew member operator emergency and safety equipment training and checking in accordance with ORO.FC.230(d), crew resource management recurrent training in accordance with ORO.FC.230(e)(1) and (e)(2), ground and flight training in accordance with ORO.FC.130 or ORO.FC.230(f), OPC for commercial SPO and CAT, ORO.FC.005(b)(1) and (2) in accordance with ORO.FC.330, cabin crew member recurrent training and checking in accordance with ORO.CC.140, technical crew member recurrent training in accordance with ORO.TC.135, crew resource management recurrent training in accordance with point ORO.FC.230(e)(1) and (e)(2), the operator shall ensure all members complete additional training through any means.

5. Validity of licenses, endorsements and certificates issued in accordance LYCAR Part ATCL and Part-ATCL.MED

- 5.1. Subject to the conditions in 5.2, ATCLs are exempted from the standard validity periods of the following endorsements or certificates that expire on 1st February 2020, which may be extended to 31st October 2020 for all of the following:
- (a) ATCL unit endorsements as per ATCL.LIC.025;
 - (b) valid Part-ATCL Class 3 medical certificates as per ATCL.MED. 045;
 - (c) ATCL language proficiency endorsements as per ATCL.LIC.040;
 - (d) ATCL on-the-job-training instructor endorsement as per ATCL.INST.025;
 - (e) ATCL synthetic training device instructor endorsement as per ATCL.INST.045; and
 - (f) ATCL assessor endorsement as per ATCL.INST.065.
- 5.2. The conditions mentioned in 5.1 are that:
- (a) Part-ATCL Class 3 medical certificate holders who are under additional medical surveillance (e.g. by their AME or the LYCAA) should continue to comply with the specified requirements (e.g. provision of reports) imposed by their AME or the LYCAA. Failure to do so may invalidate their medical certificate and/or the applicability of this exemption to them. If difficulties arise the certificate holder should contact their AME who may need to be advised by the LYCAA; (See Note 4)
 - (b) for ATCL unit endorsement in ATCL licenses, Air Navigation Service Providers (ANSP) should ensure that the potential unavailability of Synthetic Training Devices is mitigated by other means, e.g. computer-based training or the rescheduling of refresher training as soon as possible; and
 - (c) for ATCL language proficiency endorsements, the ANSPs should ensure that in the case of unavailability of a Language Assessment Body (LAB), language training is achieved through other means, e.g. online courses.

6. Validity of aircraft maintenance licenses issued in accordance with LYCAR-Continuing Airworthiness Part-66.

- 6.1. Subject to the conditions in 6.2, aircraft maintenance license holders are exempted from the standard validity period of their licenses issued in accordance with Part-66 and that expire on 1st February 2020 or later, which may be extended until 31st October 2020.
- 6.2. Part-66 aircraft maintenance license holders shall only exercise the certification privileges associated with their license when no action is pending pursuant to Part-66.

7. Interpretation

- 7.1. In this exemption, "aircrew" has the same meaning as detailed in LYCAR
- 7.2. In this exemption the intent of "through any means" is that operators provide additional training to crew members in order to compensate for the extended validity of the different training elements of Part-ORO and Part-SPA, as applicable. This could be done for example via briefing/leaflet/bulletin/CBT/video.

Notes:

1. *The CAA is aware that operators and individual license holders may have difficulties in completing training and checking during the period of the COVID-19 infection and has issued this exemption in line with the template devised by LYCAA.*
2. *Any questions or queries regarding the application of this exemption should be made, in the first instance, to the relevant FOI, Surveyor or Air Traffic Office. Alternatively, contact the LYCAA for general queries at ops@flightsafety.caa.gov.ly*
3. *The LYCAA will keep this Exemption under constant review and react as necessary to the circumstances which are expected to change.*
4. *Recording of extension of privileges:*

- (a) *License holders: Recording the extension of the validity period of the rating privileges for license holders is to be inserted on the Certificate of Revalidation page of the license, the Rating Certificate Endorsement to show the relevant endorsement as would normally be entered. At the Date of Rating Test and/or Date of IR Test as applicable, enter 'LYCAA OPS.IN 2020/02, at 'Valid' enter the new expiry date as permitted by this exemption, the Examiner's Certificate Number and Examiner's Certificate and signed entries will be completed as normal.*
- (b) *Examiner certificate holders: Recording the extension of the validity period of privileges for examiner certificate holders, the authorized person is to enter on the Examiner's Certificate 'Extended to DD/MM/YYYY as permitted by LYCAA OPS.IN 2020/02' stating their Examiner's Certificate Number and signed.*
- (c) *Operators: Organisations using this exemption for their license holders are to provide a spreadsheet monthly to the LYCAA via ops@flightsafety.caa.gov.ly detailing the revalidations.*
- (d) *To demonstrate compliance with Part MED aircrew and ATCLs should carry their (expired) medical certificate and a copy of the exemption notice as part of their license*
- **National Centre for Disease Control – Libya** have made available a consolidated web link providing information and measures required related to Coronavirus Covid-19. (<https://ncdc.org.ly/>)
 - You are urged to keep up to date with the latest information as published.¹

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