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SUBJECT: REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUE OF INDIAN LICENCES AND AIRCRAFT RATINGS TO PILOTS HOLDING LICENCES AND AIRCRAFT RATINGS ISSUED BY CONTRACTING STATES.

1. PURPOSE

1.1. Many requests are received for issue of Indian pilot's licences on the basis of licences issued by other Contracting States. Some applicants have faced difficulties in obtaining Indian licences or aircraft ratings as they did not comply fully with the Indian requirements while obtaining licences or ratings abroad. In order to clarify the applicable requirements and to streamline the procedure for issue of Indian licences and aircraft ratings, this Civil Aviation Requirement is issued under the provision of Rules 41 & 133A of the Aircraft Rules, 1937.

2. REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING INDIAN PILOT'S LICENCES AND RATINGS

2.1. An applicant desirous of obtaining Indian pilot's licence or rating on the basis of licence or rating issued by a Contracting State, should make an application to DGCA (Attn. – Director, Training & Licensing) and submit all the necessary documents as required under the applicable provisions of Schedule II of the Aircraft Rules 1937 and this CAR along with the necessary fees as prescribed in Rule 48 of Aircraft Rules, 1937. The documents submitted by the applicant should show that the applicant meets the requirement for grant of the licence or rating and has acquired the desired level of proficiency. Where

applicable, the documents should be within the laid down validity period. The syllabi prescribed by DGCA for passing oral examination, written examination, flying training, skill tests etc. in accordance with the provisions of Schedule-II of the Aircraft Rules 1937, shall be applicable for passing examinations and tests stipulated in this CAR.

3. CONVERSION OF FOREIGN PILOT'S LICENCES INTO INDIAN PILOT'S LICENCES

3.1 An Indian pilot's licence may be issued in accordance with the requirements stipulated in Rule 41 and Schedule II of the Aircraft Rules, 1937 on the basis of a valid pilot licence issued by other Contracting States.

3.2 The rating on the foreign license shall be 'current' for the type of aircraft to which the application for conversion of license relates to.

3.2.1 For the purpose of this CAR "current" is defined as:

Having flying experience of at least 10 hours as Pilot in Command in the preceding twenty four months from the date of application for conversion of license/rating. (Fifty percent of Co Pilot/ Dual maybe counted towards requirement of 10 hours PIC);

Or

Flight review/Check ride/Flight Test/ Skill Tests on the aircraft type in the preceding twenty four months from the date of application for conversion of license/rating.

3.2.2 The above flying experience/ Flight review/Check ride/Flight Test/ Skill Tests shall be undertaken in the Contracting State of issue of foreign license.

3.3 In case the rating on the foreign license is 'not current' for the type of aircraft to which the application for conversion of license relates to, the applicant will be required to undergo the following in India before the application for conversion of foreign license is made:

3.3.1 Pass DGCA 'Technical Specific' examination on type

3.3.2 Undergo endorsement training on type followed by Skill tests

4. For the issue of an Indian pilot licence based on a foreign licence, the applicant shall meet the following requirements:

4.1. General

The applicant shall meet the requirements relating to

- (i) Age;
- (ii) Educational qualifications;
- (iii) Medical fitness; and
- (iv) Flying experience and competency as laid down in the respective sections of Schedule II of the Aircraft Rules, 1937.

Note:- In case the regulation of Contracting State requires flying experience less than the flying experience specified in Schedule II of the Aircraft Rules 1937 for the issue of the license then the remaining hours (as required in Schedule II) will be completed/accumulated in the Contracting State where the licence was issued or in India.

4.2. Written, Oral Examinations and Skill Test

4.2.1. For conversion of a Pilot's Licence (Micro-light/Gliders/Balloons/Light Sport Aircraft/Gyroplanes) and Private Pilot's Licence (Aeroplane/Helicopter), the applicant shall have to pass examinations conducted by Central Examination Organisation (CEO) of DGCA as prescribed in respective Section of Schedule II of Aircraft Rules, 1937.

4.2.2. For conversion of a Commercial Pilot's Licence (Aeroplane/Helicopter), the applicant shall have to pass the written examination conducted by CEO in the following two papers as per the prescribed syllabus.

- (i) Air Regulations; and
- (ii) A composite paper for Commercial Pilot's Licence on Air Navigation and Aviation Meteorology.

4.2.3. For conversion of an Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (Aeroplane/ Helicopter), the applicant shall have to pass the written examination conducted by CEO in the following two papers as per the prescribed syllabus:

- (i) Air Regulations; and
- (ii) A composite paper for Airline Transport Pilot's Licence on Air Navigation, Avionics (Radio Aids and Instruments) and Aviation Meteorology.

In addition to the above written examinations, the applicant for ALTP licence shall have to pass an oral examination as stipulated in para 1(d) of Section M, or Section N, of Schedule II of the Aircraft Rules, 1937, as the case may be.

4.2.4. Skill Test

The applicant shall demonstrate his competency in skill tests on the type of aircraft to which the application for the license relates, to the satisfaction of a DGCA approved examiner in India.

Note: Refer Flight Crew Licensing Circular 01 of 2012 for Demonstration of competency for conversion of foreign Commercial Pilot licence into Indian Commercial Pilot licence.

4.3. Additional Requirements for Conversion of foreign Commercial Pilot's Licence and Airline Transport Pilot's Licence into Indian license

4.3.1. The applicant shall obtain a Certificate of Proficiency from the Ministry of Communications under the provisions of Indian Wireless and Telegraphy Rules, 1954 for operation of Radio Telephony Apparatus on board an aircraft. Based on this, a Flight Radio Telephone Operator's (FRTO) Licence will be issued by DGCA in accordance with the provisions of Section 'Y' of Schedule II of the Aircraft Rules, 1937.

4.3.2. The applicant shall also have to pass Signals (Practical) examination for interpretation of signals as per the prescribed syllabus.

5. **ENDORSEMENT OF ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT RATING AND INSTRUMENT RATINGS ON THE BASIS OF SUCH RATINGS ISSUED BY CONTRACTING STATES (Post issuance of Indian Pilot License)**

5.1. Only the current rating (s) as defined in Para 3 'Note' of this CAR shall be considered for conversion and such aircraft type shall be registered in India.

5.2. The applicant shall demonstrate his competency in Skill tests by day and night on the type of aeroplane or helicopter which he desires to be included in

the aircraft rating of his licence, to the satisfaction of a DGCA approved examiner in India, as applicable for the aircraft type and weight category.

Reference Form No. CA40- for aircraft with AUW not exceeding 5700 kgs

Reference Form No. CA40/CA41- for aircraft with AUW exceeding 5700 kgs

5.3. For conversion of Instrument Rating i.r.o the aircraft with AUW exceeding 5700 kgs, the skill test shall be carried out in India as per CA40/CA41 and i.r.o the aircraft with AUW not exceeding 5700 kgs, the skill test shall be carried out in India as per IR check Performa for aircraft below 5700 kgs.

6. CONVERSION OF FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR RATINGS ISSUED BY AN ICAO CONTRACTING STATE:

6.1. Pilots, holding current Flight Instructor Rating on their license issued by a contracting state may be issued with Assistant Flight Instructor's Rating or Flight Instructor's Rating on Indian license subject to their meeting flying experience requirements as laid down in Section 'Q' or Section 'R' of Schedule II of Aircraft Rules, 1937 as the case may be.

6.2. Additionally, these pilots are also required to;

5.2.1 Demonstrate their competency as an Assistant Flight Instructor/ Flight Instructor to the satisfaction of a DGCA approved Examiner/FOI within a period of six months immediately preceding the date of application, as prescribed in Section 'Q' or Section 'R' of Schedule II of Aircraft Rules, 1937.

7. ENDORSEMENT ON INDIAN LICENCE ON THE BASIS OF LICENCE ISSUED BY AN ICAO CONTRACTING STATE:

The holder of a valid Indian Pilot License flying presently on foreign license, if so desire, can also get the rating from the foreign license endorsed on the Indian license as per the provisions of Schedule II, provided that such aircraft type is registered and operational in India and Skill Tests have been conducted by DGCA approved examiner/FOI in India.

8. VERIFICATION OF AUTHENTICITY OF DOCUMENTS BY DGCA

DGCA may verify the authenticity and validity of the documents submitted by an applicant from the aeronautical authority of the Contracting State issuing the licence or rating and the training institute where the training was conducted.

9. ACTION FOR SUBMISSION OF WRONG INFORMATION

The applicant shall ensure that the documents and information submitted to DGCA for grant of a licence or rating are correct and authentic. He shall attest the documents to this effect. If a licence or rating is obtained on the basis of incorrect information and/or false documents, the licence/rating is liable to be cancelled and the applicant shall also be subject to appropriate action under the applicable provisions of the Aircraft Act, 1934, the Aircraft Rules, 1937 and the Indian Penal Code, 1860. If required foreign license issuing authority may be informed accordingly.



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