
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 1970

The Air Navigation Order 2005

PART 3

Airworthiness and Equipment of Aircraft

Licensing of maintenance engineers

18.—(1) The CAA shall grant an aircraft maintenance engineer's licence, subject to such conditions as it thinks fit, upon being satisfied that the applicant is a fit person to hold the licence and is qualified by reason of his knowledge, experience, competence and skill in aeronautical engineering, and for that purpose the applicant shall furnish such evidence and undergo such examinations and tests as the CAA may require of him.

(2) An aircraft maintenance engineer's licence shall authorise the holder, subject to such conditions as may be specified in the licence, to issue—

- (a) certificates of maintenance review in respect of such aircraft as may be so specified;
- (b) certificates of release to service under this Order in respect of such overhauls, repairs, replacements, modifications, maintenance and inspections of such aircraft and such equipment as may be so specified; or
- (c) certificates of fitness for flight issued under paragraph 1(4) of the A Conditions in respect of such aircraft as may be so specified.

(3) A licence shall, subject to article 92, remain in force for the period specified therein, not exceeding 5 years, but may be renewed by the CAA from time to time upon being satisfied that the applicant is a fit person and is qualified as aforesaid.

(4) The CAA may issue a certificate rendering valid for the purposes of this Order any licence as an aircraft maintenance engineer granted under the law of any country other than the United Kingdom.

(5) An aircraft maintenance engineer's licence granted under this article shall not be valid unless it bears the ordinary signature of the holder in ink or indelible pencil; provided that if the licence is annexed to an aircraft maintenance licence issued under Part 66 it shall be sufficient if that Part 66 licence bears such a signature.

(6) Without prejudice to any other provision of this Order the CAA may, for the purposes of this article—

- (a) approve any course of training or instruction;
- (b) authorise a person to conduct such examinations or tests as it may specify; and
- (c) approve a person to provide or conduct any course of training or instruction.

(7) The holder of an aircraft maintenance engineer's licence granted under paragraph (1) or of an aircraft maintenance licence granted under Part 66 shall not exercise the privileges of such a licence if he knows or suspects that his physical or mental condition renders him unfit to exercise such privileges.

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(8) The holder of an aircraft maintenance engineer's licence granted under paragraph (1) or of an aircraft maintenance licence granted under Part 66 shall not, when exercising the privileges of such a licence, be under the influence of drink or a drug to such an extent as to impair his capacity to exercise such privileges.

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