PEL Notice No. 52 Microlight pilots - Requirements for the Issue of a Certificate of Validation



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This notice is intended to inform pilots holding a ICAO Microlight pilot licence wishing to fly a Malta registered Microlight aeroplane on the requirements for the issue and re-issue of the certificate of validation.

1 Applicable regulation

Air Navigation Order Article 20

2 Requirements for the first issue of a certificate of validation

The pilot must:

- Hold a valid ICAO Microlight licence or a National Private Pilot Licence with a Microlight aircraft rating, acceptable to the Director for Civil Aviation.
- Hold a Flight Radiotelephony Operator's licence.
- Hold a Part-MED Class 1, Class 2 or LAPL medical certificate issued by a Malta AME (Aero-Medical Examiner) or by an AeMC (Aero-medical Centre)
- Have carried out the flight and ground training for the issue of the ICAO Microlight license or National Private Pilot License with an EASA approved organisation.
- Have completed 5 hours of flight time in Malta with a Microlight Flight Instructor or Examiner authorised by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate.
- Successfully completed an Air Law examination at TM-CAD.
- Demonstrate knowledge of Flight Radiotelephony and local procedures.
- Demonstrate knowledge of English to at least ICAO Level 4. The English Language Proficiency assessment shall be conducted by a language assessor authorised by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate.
- Pass an initial flight test by a Microlight Examiner authorised by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate.

The Certificate of Validation will be issued for a maximum period of 12 months from the date of the last successfully completed proficiency check with a Malta authorised Microlight Examiner.

3 Re-issue of a certificate of validation

All applicants for a re-issue of a certificate of validation will be required to meet the following requirements:

- Must have completed in the 12 month period preceding the application, on the type of Microlight requested in the application, i.e 3 axis, weight shift or sea-plane,
 - a) at least 6 hours flight time on Microlight aeroplanes including not less than 4 hours as pilot in command and have completed an instructional flight in Malta of at least 1 hour with a Microlight Instructor authorised by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate; or

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- b) have passed a proficiency check with a Microlight Examiner authorised by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate.
- Must hold a valid Malta Part-MED medical certificate issued by an AME/AeMC, a valid Flight Radiotelephony Operator's licence and a valid English Language Proficiency endorsement.

The Certificate of Validation will be issued for a maximum period of 12 months.

4 Conditions on a Certificate of Validation for microlight pilots

For the purpose of the issue of the certificate of validation, the holder:

- a) shall not fly unless he/she has completed in the 12 month period preceding the flight on the type of Microlight to be flown, i.e. 3 axis, weight shift or sea-plane,
 - (i) at least 6 hours flight time on Microlight aircraft including not less than 4 hours as pilot-incommand and have completed an instructional flight of at least 1 hour with a Microlight Instructor authorised by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate; or
 - (ii) have undertaken and passed a Skill Test with a Microlight Examiner authorised by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate;
- b) shall not fly for the purpose of public transport;
- c) shall not fly for the purpose of aerial work; except that if the holder also holds a Flight Instructor rating for Microlights issued or validated under the Malta Air Navigation Order he/she may give flight instruction if so authorised in writing by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate.
- d) shall not fly in a flight visibility of less than 10 km;
- e) shall not fly out of sight of the surface;
- f) shall not fly at night;
- g) shall not fly in circumstances which require compliance with the Instrument Flight Rules;
- h) shall not carry passengers until he/she has logged at least 25 hours flight time on a Microlight aeroplane, of which at least 10 hours must have been as pilot in command and his/her logbook has been endorsed by a Microlight Examiner authorised by Civil Aviation Directorate to verify those hours;
- i) shall not fly as pilot in command carrying passengers unless within the preceding 90 days he/she has made three take-offs and three landings as the sole manipulator of the controls of a Microlight of the same type;
- j) shall not fly as pilot in command of such a Microlight aeroplane where:
 - (i) the aeroplane has 3 axis controls and his/her previous training and experience has only been in an aeroplane with flexwing controls; or
 - (ii) the aeroplane has flexwing controls and his/her previous training and experience has only been in an aeroplane with 3 axis controls;

unless the appropriate differences training has been completed and recorded in his/her personal flying logbook;

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- k) shall comply with ATC clearance;
- I) shall comply with the low flying regulations;
- m) shall not fly unless his/her Part-Med medical certificate issued by an AME (Authorised Medical Examiner) or an AeMC (Aero-Medical Centre) is valid;
 - n) shall not fly unless he/she holds a valid Flight Radiotelephony operator's licence authorising him/her to operate R/T equipment on board aircraft in English and holds a valid certificate for Language Proficiency in English to at least ICAO Level 4 issued by Transport Malta Civil Aviation Directorate;
 - o) shall not fly unless the original licence on which this validation is based is valid and current;
 - p) shall not exceed any conditions or limitations in the original licence on which this validation is based;
 - q) shall comply with any other conditions issued by the Director of Civil Aviation and obtain any permits requested from any other Authority;
 - r) shall not take-off from the sea or land on the sea unless the appropriate rating has been achieved;
 - s) shall only land and take-off from sites notified and accepted by the Director of Civil Aviation and where applicable Transport Malta.

5 Flights outside Malta

The Certificate of Validation authorises the holder to fly in Malta registered Microlight aeroplanes on or over Maltese territory.

The holder shall not act as a member of the flight crew of a Microlight registered in Malta on or over the territory of a Contracting State other than Malta except in accordance with the written prior permission granted by the competent authority for that Contracting State.

6 Obligation to carry and present documents

- a) A valid ICAO Microlight licence or a National Private Pilot Licence, TMCAD Certificate of Validation and a valid medical certificate shall always be carried by the pilot when exercising the privileges.
- b) The pilot shall also carry a personal identification document containing his/her photo.
- c) In circumstances precluding the carriage of the documentation in (a) and (b) above, such as in an open cockpit, a pilot or a student pilot shall without undue delay present his/her documents for inspection upon request by an authorised representative of a competent authority.
- d) A pilot or a student pilot shall without undue delay present his/her flight time record for inspection upon request by an authorised representative of a competent authority.

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