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FLIGHT CREW - EXAMINATION ARRANGEMENTS AND TIMETABLE FOR PROFESSIONAL PILOTS AND FLIGHT ENGINEERS - 1 JANUARY TO 31 DECEMBER 2008**1 Introduction**

- 1.1 This Circular outlines the examination timetable for the period **1 January to 31 December 2008**.
- 1.2 **THE AUTHORITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE ANY VENUES TO SATISFY DEMAND AND DOES NOT GUARANTEE A CANDIDATE A SPECIFIC VENUE OR EXAMINATION DATE.**

2 Venue Details

- 2.1 Candidates will be asked to state a venue preference and, if possible, to select an alternative **from the list given in this Circular**. Candidates who can only sit at one venue may find themselves deferred to a later sitting.
- 2.2 A detailed venue map will be sent to each candidate with their examination booking confirmation and timetable. Details of examination venues are available on the CAA Website under CAA location maps via <http://www.caa.co.uk/publications>
- 2.3 Facilities for lunchtime meals and/or snacks will be provided at all venues wherever possible on a payment basis.

3 Examination Booking and Results Arrangements**3.1 Bookings:**

- (a) Candidates should apply in writing using the appropriate application form (available from Personnel Licensing Department - see paragraph 5);
- (b) Examination fees must be sent with applications using payment form SRG 1187. Bookings will not be made unless fees have been received. Candidates will receive guidance with their confirmations about the methods of payment and the cancellation notice required for fee-transfer or refund.
- (c) Candidates should indicate their first and second preference venue choices. Personnel Licensing Department will contact applicants where date requests cannot be met and in the case of a venue being fully booked, an alternative venue will be offered;
- (d) The time between the closing date for applications and the examination sittings is ten working days. Personnel Licensing Department will aim to send booking confirmations, venue details and examination timetables to reach candidates within 2 days of booking and in any case at least 1 week prior to the sitting;
- (e) Candidates cannot apply to re-sit examinations, which they believe they may have failed, until the official Result Notification has been sent to them.

3.2 Results:

Results will normally be dispatched by first class post within 10 working days following the end of the examination week concerned. **Candidates should not phone to request the dispatch dates of examination results, as results will not be given over the telephone under any circumstances. In the event of non-receipt of a Result Notification, arrangements can be made for a repeat Notification to be sent by post.** Allowance should be made for possible postal delays before asking for a repeat Notification.

3.3 Entry Conditions and Validity Periods for JAR Examinations

Entry Conditions and JAR examination validity periods are as detailed in JAR-FCL 1/2 and Lasors.

4 Flight Crew Examination Programme: 1 January to 31 December 2008

4.1 UK National Examinations

4.1.1 CPL Balloons - Initial issue and re-sits:

| Date of Exam | Closing date |
|--------------|--------------|
| 18 Jan | 4 Jan 2008 |
| 14 Mar | 29 Feb 2008 |
| 19 May | 2 May 2008 |
| 18 Jul | 4 July 2008 |
| 12 Sep | 29 Aug 2008 |
| 14 Nov | 31 Oct 2008 |

These examinations will only be held at Gatwick.

4.1.2 Flight Engineer Examinations - Initial issue and re-sits:

For validation, conversion and initial issue of a Flight Engineer Licence, the relevant JAR-FCL ATPL (A) examinations are used. Please refer to paragraph 4.2 for examination dates and venues.

4.1.3 Commercial Pilot's (Airships) and Seamanship examinations are only available by prior arrangement with Personnel Licensing Department.

4.2 JAR-FCL Examinations

4.2.1 ATPL (A), (H) - The available examination centres for the JAR ATPL (A and H) are; **Gatwick, Oxford, Shuttleworth College and Glasgow.**

| Month | Dates | Papers | Closing Date |
|-------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------|
| Jan | Mon 7 Tue 8 Wed 9 Thu 10 | Principles of Flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 14 Dec 2007 |
| Feb | Mon 4 Tue 5 Wed 6 Thu 7 | Principles of Flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 22 Jan 2008 |
| March | Mon 3 Tue 4 Wed 5 Thu 6 | Principles of flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 19 Feb 2008 |
| April | Mon 7 Tue 8 Wed 9 Thu 10 | Principles of flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 20 Mar 2008 |
| May | Tue 6 Wed 7 Thu 8 Fri 9 | Principles of flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 21 April 2008 |
| June | Mon 2 Tue 3 Wed 4 Thu 5 | Principles of flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 16 May 2008 |
| July | Mon 7 Tue 8 Wed 9 Thu 10 | Principles of flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 23 June 2008 |

ATPL (A), (H) Cont

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| Aug | Mon 4 Tue 5 Wed 6 Thu 7 | Principles of Flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 21 July 2008 |
| Sept | Mon 1 Tue 2 Wed 3 Thu 4 | Principles of Flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 15 Aug 2008 |
| Oct | Mon 6 Tue 7 Wed 8 Thu 9 | Principles of Flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 22 Sept 2008 |
| Nov | Mon 3 Tue 4 Wed 5 Thu 6 | Principles of Flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 20 Oct 2008 |
| Dec | Mon 1 Tue 2 Wed 3 Thu 4 | Principles of Flight, Airframes, Mass and Balance, Performance Instrumentation, Operational Procedures, Flight Planning General Navigation, Radio Navigation, Meteorology Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications, IFR Communications | 17 Nov 2008 |

4.2.2 JAR-FCL CPL (A)

| Month | Dates | Papers | Closing Date |
|-------|------------------|--|---------------|
| Jan | Mon 14 Tue 15 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational Procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 21 Dec 2007 |
| March | Mon 10 Tue 11 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational Procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 25 Feb 2008 |
| May | Tue 13 Wed 14 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational Procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 28 April 2008 |
| Jul | Mon 14 Tue 15 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational Procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 30 Jun 2008 |
| Sept | Mon 8 Tue 9 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational Procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 22 Aug 2008 |
| Nov | Mon 10 Tue 11 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational Procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 27 Oct 2008 |

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4.2.3 JAR-FCL CPL (H)

| Month | Dates | Papers | Closing Date |
|-------|------------------|--|--------------|
| Jan | Wed 16 Thu 17 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 02 Jan 2008 |
| March | Wed 12 Thu 13 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 27 Feb 2008 |
| May | Thu 15 Fri 16 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 30 Apr 2008 |
| July | Wed 16 Thu 17 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 02 Jul 2008 |
| Sept | Wed 10 Thu 11 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 27 Aug 2008 |
| Nov | Wed 12 Thu 13 | Principles of Flight, Aircraft General, Performance and Planning Navigation, Meteorology, Operational procedures, Air Law, Human Performance, VFR Communications | 29 Oct 2008 |

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4.2.4 JAR-FCL IR (A), (H)

| Month | Dates | Papers | Closing Dates |
|-------|------------------|--|---------------|
| Feb | Mon 11 Tue 12 | Aircraft General, Performance and Planning, Navigation, Human Performance Meteorology, Air Law/Operational Procedures, IFR Communications | 28 Jan 2008 |
| April | Mon 14 Tue 15 | Aircraft General, Performance and Planning, Navigation, Human Performance Meteorology, Air Law/Operational Procedures, IFR Communications | 31 Mar 2008 |
| June | Mon 9 Tue 10 | Aircraft General, Performance and Planning, Navigation, Human Performance Meteorology, Air Law/Operational Procedures, IFR Communications | 23 May 2008 |
| Aug | Mon 11 Tue 12 | Aircraft General, Performance and Planning, Navigation, Human Performance Meteorology, Air Law/Operational Procedures, IFR Communications | 28 July 2008 |
| Oct | Mon 13 Tue 14 | Aircraft General, Performance and Planning, Navigation, Human Performance Meteorology, Air Law/Operational Procedures, IFR Communications | 29 Sept 2008 |
| Dec | Mon 8 Tue 9 | Aircraft General, Performance and Planning, Navigation, Human Performance Meteorology, Air Law/Operational Procedures, IFR Communications | 24 Nov 2008 |

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5 Address for Applications and information:

Personnel Licensing Department (Examinations)
Ground Floor, East Wing
Aviation House
London Gatwick Airport South
RH6 0YR

Tel: 01293-573700 All Examination queries
Fax: 01293-573996.

- 5.1 Examination Application and payment Forms can also be obtained by personal callers at the PLD Public Counter at Aviation House, Gatwick (open from 0900-1600 hours) or from our website www.srg.caa.co.uk by selecting Personnel Licensing then Application Forms or by Email fclweb@srg.caa.co.uk.

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