

CHAPTER 2 LICENCES AND RATINGS FOR PILOTS

2.1 Issue of Flight Crew Licence

- a) An applicant for the initial issue of a licence, certificate or rating shall submit a duly completed application form to the MCAA. The application shall be accompanied with the required evidence that the applicant has met all the requirements. It shall include:-
- Proof of completion of a MCAA approved course of study;
 - Original of the skill test results;
 - Original of the written examination results;
 - Original of the Maldives Air Law examination result;
 - A valid medical certificate (of the appropriate class);
 - Logbook or other evidence of the experience requirements, as detailed in part 1;
 - Two stamp size photographs;
 - Personnel identification; and
 - Receipt of the payments as applicable (refer MCAR 187).
- b) A flight crew licence may also be issued on the basis of a current equivalent licence issued by an ICAO Contracting State, or an Airline Transport Pilot Licence may also be issued on the basis of an ICAO Contracting State frozen ATPL provided the requirements for the issue are met:
- Application must be made on form CAD/OPS/05“Application for Issue of Commercial Pilot Licence” or CAD/OPS/06 “Application for issue of Airline Transport Pilot Licence”, as appropriate
 - A valid foreign professional pilot licence or frozen ATPL which has been verified with the state of issue by the MCAA
 - The original licence must be accompanied by a valid Class 1 medical certificate as prescribed in Part 1.
 - If there is a change in the name or address, official documentation shall be presented to show the change.
 - All persons applying for licences will have to submit personnel identification.
 - For foreigners passports will be accepted.
 - For Locals National ID or passport will be accepted.
 - The applicant must pass a written examination in Maldives Air Law
 - The applicant must produce logbook or other evidence that the experience requirements, as detailed in part 1, have been met.

Note 1 *The evidence of experience must be certified by an employer or other competent source, or sworn before a notary public before it will be accepted*

Note 2 *The MCAA will not accept any reduction in the experience requirements available to students who have attended an approved school unless that school has also been approved by the MCAA*

- The applicant must produce evidence of having flown for not less than 5 hours in the preceding six months, and has carried out not less than three take offs and landings within the preceding 90 days.
- The applicant must have received dual instruction in all the areas appropriate to the category of licence, as detailed in part 1

Note *Pilots with fewer than 500 hours total flight time will be required to produce logbook evidence, or certification from a flying school that all of these requirements have been met.*

- The applicant must produce evidence of skill appropriate to the category of licence. This shall be a pass in a Pilot Proficiency Check conducted by MCAA Designated Check Pilot.

Note. For Maldivian pilots licence may be issued upon submitting a pass in a flight test conducted in the state of issue of the original licence, within the preceding six months

- If a current PPC on type but another configuration (such as wheels or skis) is submitted a licence can be issued after evidence is submitted for having done configuration conversion training.

Note Part or all of the Pilot Proficiency check may be conducted in a flight simulator acceptable to the MCAA.

- Two stamp size photographs
- The fee specified in MCAR 187.

c) Validity Periods

The validity period for a Maldives Flight Crew Licence is two years

d) Currency Requirements

i The holder of a Maldives Flight Crew Licence may not exercise the privileges of that licence unless:

- It is accompanied by a valid Maldives medical certificate, and
- The holder has conducted not less than three take offs and three landings as pilot in command or co-pilot as appropriate, in aircraft of the same type, within the preceding 90 days.
- Currency may be regained by flying with an Instructor approved by the MCAA
- Currency on a type of aircraft with similar performance and handling characteristics, as defined by the Civil Aviation Regulations, is acceptable provided an endorsement is also held for that type of aircraft.

ii The holder of a Maldives flight crew licence may not exercise the privileges of that licence on public transport operations unless all of the requirements relating to competency checks and flight and duty times have been complied with.

e) Requirements for Renewal

- A completed form CAD/OPS/08 ‘Application for renewal of Flight Crew Licence’
- A valid appropriate medical certificate issued by MCAA approved AME
- Evidence of a valid competency check done by MCAA approved DCP. The check shall be done on the type and configuration applying to flying in the Maldives.

If all renewal requirements have been met prior to the expiry date, 30 days of grace period may be given for completion of documentation.

If a licence has not been renewed up to 06 months after the expiry date, the licence shall be renewed subject to:

- A competency check done by MCAA approved DCP with an Oral Test on type and regulations;
- And meeting all renewal requirements.

If a Licence is renewed between 06 months to 60 months after the expiry date, the Licence shall be renewed subject to:

- Passing the written examination for the type to be flown and Civil Aviation Regulations.
- And meeting all renewal requirements.

If a Licence has not been renewed for 60 months after the expiry date, the Licence shall be renewed subject to:

- Passing the theoretical examinations and skill tests for the issuance of the required licence.
- And meeting all renewal requirements.
- All persons applying for renewal of licences will have to submit personnel identification.
 - For foreigners passports will be accepted.
 - For Locals National ID or Passport will be accepted.
- The fee specified in MCAR 187.

Note Licence of Maldivian pilots not flying with a Maldivian AOC holder will be renewed on a case to case basis.

2.1.3 Class and Type Ratings

- a) Class Ratings
 - i The following aeroplane class ratings may be included on a Maldives flight crew licence.
 - Single engine, land
 - Multi engine, land
 - Single engine, sea
 - Multi engine, sea
 - ii A class rating authorises the holder to act as pilot in command or co-pilot of any aeroplanes in the appropriate class that are fitted with reciprocating engines of not more than 200 horsepower.
 - ii A Class Rating may be included on a Maldives licence when:
 - It appears on a foreign licence which is accepted by the MCAA, or
 - An aircraft type rating appropriate to that class appears on a foreign licence, or
 - An aircraft type rating appropriate to that class is issued in the Maldives.
 - iii) Requirements for Issue
 - A completed application form CAD/OPS/07 “Application for the inclusion of rating in a licence”
 - A valid class rating (on a foreign professional pilot licence) which has been verified with the state of issue by the MCAA
 - In the case of multi engine sea class rating, this may be issued if the licence is endorsed with a single engine sea and multi engine land and upon submitting a valid PPC done by MCAA approved DCP in a Multi Engine Sea aircraft
 - A fee as specified in MCAR 187. Which will be waived if the class rating is issued at the same time as a Maldives flight crew licence

Note The Original Class Rating will be verified by the MCAA with the state of issue.

- b) Type Ratings
 - i A type rating is required before a person may act as pilot in command or co pilot of any helicopter, or any aeroplane that is fitted with reciprocating engine(s) exceeding 200 horsepower.
 - ii The type rating must be included on the flight crew licence if the aeroplane is certified:
 - for two pilot operations, or
 - fitted with turbine engines, or
 - fitted with a pressurization system, or
 - fitted with more than 9 passenger seats.
 - iii) Requirements for Issue
 - A completed application form CAD/OPS/07 “Application for the inclusion of rating in a Licence”

- A valid class rating (on a foreign professional pilot licence) which has been verified with the state of issue by the MCAA
- A fee as specified in MCAR 187. Which will be waived if the instrument rating is issued at the same time as a Maldives flight crew licence
- In the case of aeroplane that is fitted with reciprocating engine(s) not exceeding 200 horsepower, the type rating may be in the form of a logbook entry signed by a DCP, provided the appropriate class rating is included on the licence.
- A type rating may be included on a Maldives licence if the type is represented on the Maldives aircraft register and provided:
 - It appears on a foreign licence which is accepted by MCAA, or
 - The applicant has completed an initial issue type rating course conducted by MCAA approved training organization and a copy of the check ride report conducted on the type by MCAA approved DCP is submitted (not needed if rating appears on foreign licence)
- A type rating of an aircraft that is not represented in the Maldivian register may be included in a Maldives Licence for Maldivians only, provided:
 - The applicant can demonstrate foreign experience on the type, and provide a copy of a satisfactory competency check ride conducted on the type.

2.2 Issue of Student Pilot Permit

a) General

Student pilot Permits are issued for the purpose of initial flight training with an approved Training Organisation or to enable holders of expired flight crew licences to obtain the recent experience and/or competency checks required for a current licence.

b) Requirements for Issue

- A completed application form CAD/OPS/02 “Application for Issue of Student Pilot Permit;
- a pilot licence of an ICAO contracting state; or
- passes in English and Mathematics to GCE Ordinary Level standard with swimming skills; and
- Two stamp size photographs;
- Personnel identification; and
- licence fee as specified in MCAR 187.

2.7 The Instrument Rating

a) General

- An instrument rating may be included on a Maldives Flight Commercial Pilot licence on the basis of a current instrument rating on a foreign licence.
- A foreign Instrument Rating will not be accepted unless its privileges include both precision and non-precision approach aids
- An Instrument Rating is an integral part of an Airline Transport Pilot Licence.
- Any limitations contained on the original Instrument Rating will also be included on the Maldives Instrument rating

b) Requirements for Issue

- A completed application form CAD/OPS/07 ‘Application for the inclusion of a rating in a licence’
- A current instrument rating (on a foreign professional pilot licence) which has been verified with the state of issue by the MCAA.

- Logbook or other evidence that the experience requirements for the instrument rating, as detailed in part 1, have been met.

Note The evidence of experience must be certified by an employer, a civil aviation authority, or other competent source, before it will be accepted

- Evidence of an instrument rating flight test or a PPC appropriate to the instrument rating, conducted within the preceding twelve months.

Note Part or all of the Pilot Proficiency check may be conducted in a flight simulator acceptable to the MCAA

- The fee specified in MCAR 187, which will be waived if the instrument rating is issued at the same time as a Maldives flight crew licence

- c) **Removal of limitations from an Instrument Rating**
Any limitations that are contained on a Maldives licence may be removed on production of a satisfactory report from a Maldives DCP authorized to conduct Instrument rating flight checks.
- d) **Renewal of an Instrument Rating**
The Maldives instrument rating once issued is an integral part of a licence and does not expire. Its privileges, however, may not be exercised unless the currency requirements have been met.
- e) **Currency Requirements**
Before the privileges of an instrument rating can be exercised the holder must have passed a competency check appropriate to the instrument rating within the preceding 12 months.

2.8 The Flight Instructor Rating

- a) **General**
 - i A Flight Instructor rating may be included on a Maldives Flight Crew licence on the basis of a current Flight Instructor rating on a foreign licence.
 - ii Any limitations contained on the original Flight Instructor Rating will also be included on the Maldives Flight Instructor rating
- b) **Requirements for Issue**
 - A completed application form CAD/OPS/07 'Application for Inclusion of rating in a licence'
 - A current Flight Instructor rating (on a foreign professional pilot licence) which has been verified by the MCAA
 - Evidence of a flight instructor flight test or a PPC appropriate to the flight instructor rating, conducted within the preceding two years.
 - The fee specified in MCAR 187, which will be waived if the Flight Instructor rating is issued at the same time as a Maldives flight crew licence
- c) **Renewal of Flight Instructor Rating**
The Maldives Flight Instructor rating is an integral part of a licence and does not expire. Its privileges, however, may not be exercised unless the currency requirements have been met.
- d) **Currency Requirements**
Before the privileges of a Flight Instructor rating can be exercised the holder must have passed a competency check appropriate to the Flight Instructor rating within the preceding two years.