

# Circular

## **Medical Validity Period Changes**

**Subject** | Validity Period for Class 1 Medical Certificate holders over

CIAC the age of 40

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## **GENERAL**

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#### RELATED REQUIREMENTS

This Circular relates to OTAR Part 67; ICAO Annex 1- Personnel Licensing

## **CHANGE INFORMATION**

No change, initial issue.

### **ENQUIRIES**

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## 1 Background

- 1.1 This Circular provides background information and guidance with regard to changes to flight crew medical validity periods as it applies to pilots over the age of 40 operating in a multi-crew flight operation.
- 1.2 Currently OTAR 67.253(4)(c) reads as follows:
  - "(c) Subject to paragraph 67.253(d), a medical certificate remains in force for the period set out on the certificate, being a period of not more than:
  - (1) in the case of a Class 1 medical certificate:
  - (i) if the holder of the certificate is less than 40 years old when the certificate is issued 12 months after the appropriate day; or
  - (ii) if the holder of the certificate is 40 years old or older when the certificate is issued 6 months after the appropriate day; and ..."
- 1.3 In July 2011, ICAO amended the standard for Class 1 Medical Certificates for pilots operating in a multi-crew flight operation. Please refer to the following references from the ICAO SARP Annex 1-Personnel Licencing

## Section 1.2.5.2:

Except as provided in 1.2.5.2.1, 1.2.5.2.2, 1.2.5.2.3, 1.2.5.2.4, 1.2.5.2.5 and 1.2.5.2.6, a Medical Assessment issued in accordance with 1.2.4.6 and 1.2.4.7 shall be valid from the date of the medical examination for a period not greater than:

12 months for the commercial pilot licence — aeroplane, airship, helicopter and powered-lift;

12 months for the multi-crew pilot licence — aeroplane;

12 months for the airline transport pilot licence — aeroplane, helicopter and powered-lift;

## Section 1.2.5.2.2:

When the holders of airline transport pilot licences — aeroplane, helicopter, and powered-lift, and commercial pilot licences — aeroplane, airship, helicopter and powered-lift, who are engaged in <u>single-crew commercial air transport operations</u> carrying passengers, have passed their 40th birthday, the period of validity specified in 1.2.5.2 shall be reduced to six months.



## Section 1.2.5.2.3

When the holders of airline transport pilot licences — aeroplane, helicopter and powered-lift, commercial pilot licences — aeroplane, airship, helicopter and powered-lift, and multicrew pilot licences — aeroplane, who are engaged in commercial air transport operations, have passed their 60th birthday, the period of validity specified in 1.2.5.2 shall be reduced to six months.

1.4 In <u>Policy Statement 2 / Compliance with ICAO SARPS</u>, ASSI, the organization providing regulatory functional guidance to the UK Overseas Territories, states legislation and OTARs will be developed to comply with ICAO SARPs. The process to amend the OTAR 67.253 has already begun.

## 2 CAACI Policy Change

- 2.1 Effective immediately, medical validity periods for pilots over the age of forty (40) with CAACI issued Commercial or Airline Transport Pilot Licences engaged in multi-crew flight operations will be in accordance with the terms specified in the ICAO SARP. i.e. One (1) year validity up until the age of 60 years of age, subject to item 2.2 following.
- 2.2 Where a medical validity term is limited for less than one year for clinical reasons, that medical validity period will continue to be in force.

#### 3 Definitions

AN (OT) O	Air Navigation (Overseas	Territory) Order
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ASSI Air Safety Support International

CAACI Civil Aviation Authority of the Cayman Islands

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization

OTAR Overseas Territory Aviation Requirements

SARP Standards and Recommended Practices