

SECTION 2.01

FLIGHT CREW LIMITATIONS

PILOT IN COMMAND

1. No person shall act as Pilot-In-Command of a recreational aircraft operated under the provisions of CAOs 95.10, 95.32 (RA-Aus registration) or 95.55 or any relevant legislation as amended from time to time, unless that person:
 - a. is the holder of a valid RA-Aus Student Pilot or higher level Certificate, as listed in Section 2.05, issued or recognised by the RA-Aus.
 - b. is medically fit to the following standards:
 - (1) Student Pilot and Pilot Certificate holders - A medical standard equivalent to that required to hold a private motor vehicle driver's licence in Australia.
 - (2) Instructor or higher level rating - A medical standard equivalent to that required to hold a Private Pilot Licence in Australia, confirmed by a medical certificate, or the RA-Aus recognised equivalent instructor medical form.
 - c. has attained the age of:
 - (1) In the case of Pilot Certificates, fifteen (15) years.
 - (2) In every other case, eighteen (18) years.

PILOT INSTRUCTION

2. No person shall give flight instruction in regard to recreational aircraft unless that person is the holder of a valid Pilot Certificate, endorsed with an instructor rating issued by the RA-Aus, and is currently responsible to and under the supervision of an approved CFI.

CARRIAGE OF PASSENGERS

3. No person shall carry passengers in a recreational aircraft unless they hold a valid passenger carrying endorsement, or an Instructor rating, issued by the RA-Aus and the aircraft used for the purpose meets the requirements of CAO 95.55 or CAO 95.32, or any relevant legislation as amended from time to time.

CROSS COUNTRY FLYING

4. No Pilot Certificate holder shall act as pilot in command of a recreational aircraft at a distance greater than 25 nautical miles from the point of departure unless:
 - a. an RA-Aus Cross Country endorsement has been issued; or
 - b. flight training exercises are being conducted under the supervision and control of a CFI.

NOTE: Consecutive flights of 25 nautical miles do not comply with this requirement.

CLOSE PROXIMITY FLYING

5. No person shall pilot a recreational aircraft which is flying closer than 100 feet to another recreational aircraft unless;
 - a. that person has been trained in accordance with an approved Formation Flying syllabus and issued with an RA-Aus Formation endorsement, or
 - b. provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

CONTROLLED AIRSPACE

- 6 No person shall enter controlled airspace in a recreational aircraft unless the pilot in command holds a current RA-Aus pilot certificate, has been issued with an ATC clearance and:
 - a. holds a current and valid private or higher category pilot licence with CTA endorsement, or;
 - b. holds either;
 - (i) an RA-Aus pilot certificate with a current CTA endorsement or:
 - (ii) an RA-Aus student certificate with authorisation for the flight in controlled airspace or:
 - c. the pilot in command has written approval from CASA to fly a recreational aeroplane in controlled airspace.

NOTE: A current rating is defined as having a current flight review with CTA privileges.

GLIDER TOWING

- 7 No person shall tow a glider in a recreational aircraft unless:
 - a. the pilot in command holds a current RA-Aus pilot certificate, and
 - b. the pilot in command has been endorsed to operate RA-Aus aircraft in a towing capacity, operating to the procedures specified in the RA-Aus Towing Manual, and
 - c. the aircraft is a fully manufactured 95.55, 95.32 fitted with a factory approved tow hook and the relevant changes to the aircraft have been noted in a flight manual amendment and signed off by the relevant authority.

HIGH PERFORMANCE AIRCRAFT

- 8 No person shall operate an RA-Aus registered aircraft with a normal cruise speed in excess of 80kts unless;
 - a. holding an RA-Aus high performance endorsement, or
 - b. holding a CASA private pilots licence or equivalent in addition to an RA-Aus pilot certificate.

LOW PERFORMANCE AIRCRAFT

- 9 No person shall operate an RA-Aus registered aircraft with a normal cruise speed of less than 80kts unless:
 - a. holding an RA-Aus low performance endorsement, or
 - b. is able to prove adequate experience in aircraft other than RA-Aus registered aircraft to the Operations Manager.

LOW LEVEL FLIGHT

- 10 No person shall operate an RA-Aus registered aircraft below 500ft AGL unless:
- a. the aircraft is operated to the requirements set out in CAO 95.55, 95.32, Section 6.2 or relevant legislation as amended from time to time, and
 - b. holding an RA-Aus Low Level Endorsement, or
 - c. provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

NOTE: The above mentioned section b and c does not apply to aircraft in the process of taking off and landing under normal circumstances.

NOSE WHEEL UNDERCARRIAGE ENDORSEMENTS

11. Any pilot trained on a nose wheel undercarriage aircraft will have their Pilot Certificate endorsed with a NW endorsement.
- a. No pilot will operate a tail wheel undercarriage aircraft until they have undertaken training as specified in Section 3.04 pertaining to tail wheel training. In the case of a pilot holding a certificate endorsed with a NW endorsement have received a recommendation from a CFI to have a tailwheel TW endorsement added to their Pilot Certificate, or they are under supervision of a Senior instructor or above receiving training for such endorsement, or can provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

TAIL WHEEL UNDERCARRIAGE ENDORSEMENTS

12. Any pilot trained on a tail wheel undercarriage aircraft will have their Pilot Certificate endorsed with a TW endorsement.
- a. No pilot will operate a nose wheel undercarriage aircraft until they have undertaken training as specified in Section 3.04 pertaining to nose wheel training. In the case of a pilot holding a certificate endorsed with a TW endorsement have received a recommendation from a CFI to have a nose wheel NW endorsement added to their Pilot Certificate, or they are under the supervision of a Senior instructor or above receiving training for such endorsement, or can provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

FLOAT ENDORSEMENTS

13. No person shall operate an RA-Aus registered float aircraft in normal water alighting operations unless:
- a. holding an RA-Aus Float Endorsement, or are undertaking training for such endorsement under supervision of a Senior instructor or above, or
 - b. provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

RETRACTABLE UNDERCARRIAGE ENDORSEMENTS

14. No person shall operate an RA-Aus registered aircraft with a retractable undercarriage unless;
- a. holding an RA-Aus Retractable Undercarriage Endorsement, or are undertaking training for such endorsement under the supervision of a Senior instructor or above, or,
 - b. provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

INFLIGHT ADJUSTABLE PROPELLER ENDORSEMENT

15. No person shall operate an RA-Aus registered aircraft with an Inflight Adjustable Propeller unless;
- a. holding an RA-Aus Inflight Adjustable Propeller Endorsement, or
 - b. provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

RADIO ENDORSEMENT

16. No person shall operate an RA-Aus registered aircraft VHF Airband Radio unless;
- a. holding an RA-Aus Radio Endorsement, or
 - b. under instruction by an RA-Aus Instructor for the purpose of training, who holds the Radio Endorsement, or
 - c. hold a Flight Radio Operators Licence or,
 - d. provide written proof to the Operations Manager of an RA-Aus recognised equivalent qualification.

CARRIAGE AND PRODUCTION OF RECREATIONAL AIRCRAFT PILOT CERTIFICATE

11. Pilots in command of recreational aircraft should carry their Pilot Certificate and are required to produce it immediately, or within 24 hours, on demand from an RA-Aus official (including members of the RA-Aus Board, Operations Staff, CFI, ROC or PE), an officer of CASA, or a police officer.

NOTE: Under the provisions of CAO 95.32, weight shift controlled aircraft may be operated by pilots who are holders of a Pilot Certificate issued by the RA-Aus or the HGFA. Pilots holding an HGFA Pilot Certificate are required to operate their aircraft in accordance with the HGFA Operations Manual.