

REVALIDATION OF LICENCES AND RATINGS

Dear Examination candidates

The CATS have been amended with respect to theoretical knowledge requirements (syllabi) for Pilot licences and ratings.

The new syllabi are downloadable from the homepage of the CAA website (<http://www.caa.co.za>) under Legal notices. Please see below for the correct Appendix.

Appendix 1.0 of CATS 61:

This syllabus has been amended to correct the regulation numbering in the Air law section and include a section on the AIP.

This appendix and its changes have been implemented with immediate effect.

Appendix 2.0 of CATS 61:

This has now been split into two sections:

- Appendix 2.0A for CPL and Instrument rating syllabi; and
Appendix 2.0B for ATPL syllabi.

Overall Appendix 2.0A and B have been modernised to include some of the latest technology found in aircraft and antiquated items have been removed.

These appendices will come into effect on 13 January 2014 and the old syllabus will then immediately be discontinued, meaning each individual will move to the new system.

Candidates will not lose any credits held for passes in examinations under the old syllabi subject to the provisions of the regulations.

Please note that the number of examinations remain unchanged as it is only the content of the examinations that have been affected.

Particulars of the study material suggested by the CAA to prepare for the CPL and ATPL exams may be found in the list below, as well as in AIC 009/2014.

No examination manuals have been placed on the CAA website. The manual for the CPL and ATPL Flight planning and performance examinations has been based on the CAP 696, CAP 697 and CAP 698 documents. These documents were obtained under contract from the UK CAA and may be downloaded from the website www.caa.co.uk. Candidates are advised to exercise care in the use of these manuals because they do contain a small number of references to European legislation, JAR-FCL and JAR-OPS criteria, which are not necessarily identical to RSA legislation.”

Currently, the main reference documents are:

- Jeppesen EASA ATPL manuals;
- Meteorology for the South African Private Pilot (S. Medcalf);
- ICAO Annex 14 (for Procedures);
- ICAO doc 8168 Vol 1 (for Procedures);
- Air Pilot's manual Vol 4 (for ATG);
- Air Pilot's Manual Volume 2 (For Meteorology);
- Principles of Helicopter flight -Wagtendonk;
- Helicopter pilot's supplement – Keith Piggott;
- South African Civil Aviation Regulations and Technical Standards 2011, as applicable, up to and including amendment 4;
- RSA Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP);
- AIC 43.1 dated 2002-08-15 (For Meteorology);
- FAA Rotorcraft Flying Handbook FAA-H-8083-21 (Some versions might be marked "For Gyroplane Use Only").

The examinations required for any particular licence or rating, are detailed in CATS 61.01.1