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**1 APPENDIX R62.21**  
**TOURING MOTOR GLIDERS**  
**THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE COURSE**

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**1. Aim of training course**

The aim of the course is to train a candidate to the level of proficiency required for the issue of a type rating touring motor gliders, and to provide the training necessary to act as pilot-in-command of any touring motor glider for which he or she holds a valid type rating, engaged in non-revenue flights under visual flight rules.

**2. Theoretical knowledge course**

2.1 The theoretical knowledge course must cover the subjects as detailed in the syllabus:

- (1) Principles of Flight
- (2) Air Law
- (3) Aviation Meteorology
- (4) Aircraft Engines, Airframes and Instruments
- (5) General Navigation
- (6) Human Performance Limitations and Passenger care
- (7) Principles of gliding.

2.2 Restricted Radio Telephony Operator's Certificate as prescribed in AIC 30.9

**3. Theoretical knowledge course syllabus**

**3.1 Principles of Flight –**

**3.1.1 General**

(1) PHYSICS AND MECHANICS

- (a) Speed, velocity, force
- (b) Wing Lift theory
- (c) Understanding of Polar Curve & Lift / Drag (L/D) theory

Note: The student must have a good understanding of the speed-squared law as applicable to Lift with specific reference to gusts and lulls, and their effect on your flight path.

(2) AEROFOILS, LIFT AND DRAG

- (a) Drag – understanding the effect of various forms of drag
  - (b) Airfoil shapes
  - (c) Lift and drag – Angle of attack and airspeed
  - (d) Distribution of lift, Centre of pressure
  - (e) Drag – Induced, parasite – Form, skin, interference
  - (d) Lift/drag ratio & Glide angle
  - (e) Aspect Ratio and its contribution to drag
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## (3) EQUILIBRIUM

- (a) The four forces: Lift, weight, thrust and drag
- (b) Centre of gravity (C of G) position & the neutral point.
- (c) The balance of the four forces: Straight and level
  - Climbing
  - Descending

## (4) STABILITY

- (a) Positive, neutral, negative
- (b) Lateral and directional stability
- (c) Longitudinal stability and the Cof G & Neutral point
- (e) wash out

## (5) loose formation/group flying

## (6) AERODYNAMIC LAYOUT

- (a) Effects
- (b) Limitations

## (7) TURNING FLIGHT

- (a) The forces in the turn
- (b) Compensation for loss of lift & airspeed & attitude control in the turn

## (8) THE STALL

- (a) Airflow separation
- (b) Angle of Attack @the Stall – Relationship to airspeed
- (c) Wing loading
- (d) Increased stall speed with bank angle increase
- (e) High-speed stall as it differs from normal stall.

## (9) AIRCRAFT PERFORMANCE

- (a) Power curves
    - Effect of temperature, altitude, density, moisture etc.
    - Range and endurance
  - (b) Climbing performance
    - Rate of climb, optimum climb rate & power settings.
    - Optimum climb, angle of climb, configuration & aircraft limitations.
  - (c) Take-off and landing performance
    - Take-off run available –surface type, slope & obstacles
    - Take-off distance available - surface type, slope & obstacles
    - Landing distance available
  - (d) Take-off and initial climb - performance
    - Effect of –
    - wind, wind gradient and wind shear
    - weight, configuration
    - pressure,altitude,temperature,and,density(altitude)
    - ground surface type and slope (gradient)
  - (e) Approach and landing – performance
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Effect of –  
 wind, wind gradient and wind shear  
 weight ,configuration  
 turbulence and gusts  
 ground effect  
 Downwind landings.

### 3.1.2 Principles of flight - Conventional control specific

#### (1) FLYING CONTROLS

- (a) The three axes: Vertical (yaw), Lateral (roll), Longitudinal (pitch)
- (b) Operation and function of elevators, ailerons and rudder
- (c) Principles and purpose of mass and aerodynamic balance
- (d) Operation and purpose of trimming controls
- (e) Operation and function of flaps and their types including flaperons.
- (f) Operation and function of spoilers or airbrakes
- (g) Aileron drag and differential movement.

#### (2) WEIGHT AND BALANCE

- (a) Limitations on aircraft weight
- (b) Limitations in relation to aircraft balance
- (c) Weight and centre of gravity calculations
  - (a) A.U.W.
  - (b) C of G range
  - (c) Placarded weight range

#### (3) THE SPIN

- (a) Causes of a spin & control positions that cause a spin & flap configuration.
- (b) Incipient, cross control & developed spin conditions
- (c) Effect of the C of G on spinning characteristics
- (d) Effect of aerodynamic configuration & geometric layout on spinning.
- (e) Spin recovery from all situations /configurations & control effects.
- (f) Wash-out
- (g) Type specifications & considerations.
- (b) Autorotation

#### (4) PERFORMANCE

- (a) Use of flaps
  - Take off and initial climb performance

- Approach and landing performance – effect of use of flaps & Airbrakes/spoilers
- (b) Cross control
  - Slipping –under rudder or over banking
  - Skidding – over ruddering & under banking
- (c) Adverse yaw and the need for rudder

### (5) STABILITY

- (a) Relationship of C of G to control in pitch
- (b) Effects of dihedral & pendulum effects.

### (6) LOAD FACTOR AND MANOEUVRES

- (a) Definition of load factor –  $V_n$  envelope & max rough air & maneuvering speeds
- (b) Effect on stalling speed
- (c) In-flight precautions & HASELL checks.

## 3.2 Air Law

- (1) Applicable acts, regulations and other documents
  - (2) Structure and function of ANR's, CAR's, CAT's, AIP's, Notams, AIC's and AIP supplements.
  - (3) Classification of aircraft
  - (4) Aircraft documentation
  - (5) Aircraft equipment & placarding
  - (6) Aircraft radio equipment
  - (7) Aircraft weight schedule /placarding
  - (8) Documents to be carried on board
  - (8) Documents and records to be maintained and produced on request
  - (9) Offences in relating to documents and records
  - (10) Airworthiness aspects
  - (11) Pilot licensing requirements
  - (12) Touring motor Glider pilot - Privileges and limitations
  - (13) Touring motor Glider pilot – Aircraft ratings
  - (14) Personal flying logbook
  - (15) Airspace classification
  - (16) General flight rules
  - (17) Visual flight rules
  - (18) Special flight rules
  - (19) Flight operations
  - (20) General provisions
  - (21) Air traffic services
  - (22) Flight plans
  - (23) Air-proximity reporting procedures .
  - (24) Incident/accident reporting
  - (25) International operations
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- (26) Operation of Non-type certified aircraft
- (27) Marine living resources act and Proclaimed nature reserves

### 3.3 Aviation Meteorology

#### (1) THE ATMOSPHERE

- (a) Composition and structure
- (b) Vertical divisions

#### (2) PRESSURE, DENSITY AND TEMPERATURE

- (a) Barometric pressure, isobars
- (b) Changes of pressure, density and temperature with altitude
- (c) Solar and terrestrial energy radiation, temperature
- (d) Lapse rate – wet & dry
- (e) Stability and instability
- (f) Effects of radiation, advection subsidence and convergence

#### (3) HUMIDITY AND PRECIPITATION

- (a) Water vapour in the atmosphere
- (b) Dew point and relative humidity

#### (4) PRESSURE AND WIND

- (a) High and low pressure areas –their effect on wind direction.
- (b) Wind gradient & shear
- (c) Vertical and horizontal motion
- (d) Effect of wind gradient and windshear on take-off and landing & in general flight
- (e) Relationship between isobars and wind, Buys Ballot's law
- (f) Turbulence, gusts, downbursts/microburst's .
- (g) Local winds, land and sea breezes, berg winds, valley winds, storm outflow

#### (5) CLOUD TYPES AND THEIR EFFECTS

- (a) Cloud types
- (b) Convection clouds
- (c) Orographic clouds
- (d) Stratiform and cumulus clouds (check difference in syllabus)

- (a) Lift
- (b) Caution
- (c) Prediction of development
- (d) Cloud type recognition

#### (6) VISIBILITY

- (a) Rain, Fog, mist, haze
  - (b) Radiation, advection, frontal
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- (c) Formation and dispersal
- (d) Reduction of visibility due to mist, snow, smoke, dust and sand
- (e) Hazards of flight due to low visibility, horizontal and vertical

(7) AIRMASSES

- (a) Weather associated with pressure systems

(8) FRONTS

- (a) Formation of cold and warm fronts
- (b) Associated clouds and weather, cold front
- (c) Recognizing frontal indicators

(9) ICE ACCRETION

- (a) Conditions conducive to ice formation
- (b) Effects of hoar frost, rime ice, clear ice
- (c) Effects of icing on aircraft performance
- (d) Precautions and avoidance of icing conditions
- (e) Powerplant icing

(10) THUNDERSTORMS

- (a) Formation – air masses, frontal, orographic & cloud types (Mamatus, Cunim) that signify the presence of storms.
- (b) Conditions required
- (c) Development process
- (d) Recognition of favourable conditions for formation
- (e) Hazards
- (f) Effects of lightning and severe turbulence
- (g) Avoidance of flight in the vicinity of thunderstorms

(11) RAIN AND ITS EFFECTS

- (a) Wet wings & the effect of water on airflow.
- (b) Stall speed & handling characteristics.
- (c) Visibility
- (d) Internal condensation

(12) FLIGHT OVER MOUNTAINOUS AREAS

- (a) Hazards
- (b) Influence of terrain on atmospheric processes
- (c) Mountain waves, windshear, turbulence, vertical movement, rotor effects

(13) CLIMATOLOGY

- (a) General world circulation
  - (b) South African summer patterns
  - (c) South African winter patterns
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- (d) The South Westerly Buster
- (e) The Cape Doctor
- (e) The Black South Easter
- (f) The Karroo Katabat

(14) ALTIMETRY

- (a) Operational aspects of pressure settings
- (b) Pressure altitude, density altitude
- (c) Height, altitude, flight level

(15) THE METEOROLOGICAL ORGANISATION

- (a) Forecasting service

(16) WEATHER ANALYSIS AND FORECASTING

- (a) Weather charts, symbols, signs
- (b) Significant weather charts
- (c) Prognostic charts for general aviation
- (d) Interpretation of weather information / models

(17) WEATHER INFORMATION FOR FLIGHT PLANNING

- (a) Reports and forecasts for departure, *en route*, destination and alternate(s)
- (b) Interpretation of coded information METAR, TAF
- (c) Availability of ground reports for surface wind, windshear, visibility

(18) METEOROLOGICAL BROADCASTS FOR AVIATION

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(19) MICRO-METEOROLOGY

- (a) Rotors / Turbulence
- (b) Venturies
- (c) Katabatic and Anabatic winds
- (d) Dust devils
- (e) The immediate environment.
  1. Wind indicators
  2. Cloud forms
  3. Topography & surface effects
  4. Lift triggers and sources and types of lift (thermal activity)

### 3.4 Aircraft Engines, Airframes and Instruments

(1) AIRCRAFT AIRFRAME

- (a) Structure & material types
- (b) Materials & maintenance thereof
- (c) Wear and tear considerations
  - Repairs

- Surface integrity, Gelcoat cracks, tears etc.
- Tie down and weather damage
- UV
- Turbulence
- Hard Landings & other overload situations
- Flutter damage.
- Control surface damage and integrity
- Wing beat frequency for testing of structural integrity

## (2) POWERPLANT AND SYSTEMS

### (a) Engines – general

- principles of 2 and 4 stroke engines
- Engine casing & cylinder head/s
- Induction system
- Exhaust system
- Cooling system
- Ignition system
- Auxiliary installations and linkages
- Engine management system and sensors
  - Maintenance
    - Maintenance schedules
      - Spark plug leads
      - Air-filter cleaning
      - Cooling system
      - Alternator drive belt (v belt) tension
      - Engine /gearbox oil
      - Carb rubber coupling condition
      - Adjusting full throttle and idle and balance
      - Exhaust system integrity including coupling springs
    - Lubrication

### (b) Ignition systems

### (c) Carburetion and Fuel system

- Fuel pumps –mechanical & electric stand by emergency pump & pressure Measurement
- Principles of float type carburetor
- Fuel-bypass (choke)
- Recognition of faulty mixture & effects thereof
- Methods to maintaining correct mixture ratio
  - Carburetor jetting and needle & seat inspection..
  - Balancing carburetors
    - Sliding piston main jet carburetors & principles of operation
- Carburetor icing
- Emergency use of Fuel-bypass (choke)
- Fuel lines and routing

### (d) Fuel

- Refueling process & principles
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- Types
- Suitability
- Hazards of avgas
- Contamination & moisture
- Fuel strainers and drains
- Fire hazards
  - Containers
  - Transportation
  - De-canting
- (e) Electrical system
  - General – circuit diagram
  - Batteries & charging systems
  - Circuit breakers and fuses
  - Recognizing malfunctions
- (3) Propeller
  - (a) Nomenclature
  - (b) Forces on blades
  - (c) Designs – fixed & variable pitch
  - (d) Effect of blade pitch changes – either ground adjustable or in -flight
  - (e) Maintenance and care
  - (f) Variable pitch and full feathering propellers
  - (g) Blade tracking /run-out & balance effects
- (4) INSTRUMENTS
  - (a) Airspeed indicator
  - (b) Altimeter
  - (c) VSI
  - (d) Magnetic compass
    - Precautions when carrying magnetic objects
    - Errors
  - (e) Engine instruments
  - (f) Temperature and pressure gauges
  - (g) Digital instruments
  - (h) RPM
  - (i) Variometer visual and audio with / without total energy probes.

### 3.5 General Navigation

- (1) FORM OF THE EARTH
    - (a) Axis, poles
    - (b) Meridians of longitude
    - (c) Parallels of latitude
  - (2) DIRECTION
    - (a) True north
    - (b) Earth's magnetic field, variation – annual change
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- (c) Magnetic north
- (d) Magnetic influences within the aircraft
- (e) Compass deviation
- (f) Turning, acceleration errors
- (g) Avoiding magnetic interference with the compass

(3) DISTANCE

- (a) Nautical mile, statute mile, kilometer

(4) AERONAUTICAL MAPS AND CHARTS (TOPOGRAPHICAL)

- (a) Projections and their properties
- (b) Scale
- (c) ICAO 1:250 000 and 1: 500 000 charts
- (d) Main properties
- (e) Scale
- (f) Depiction of height
- (g) Topography
- (h) Relief
- (i) Cultural features
- (j) Aeronautical symbols
- (k) Aeronautical information

(5) CHARTS IN PRACTICAL NAVIGATION

- (a) Plotting positions
- (b) Latitude and longitude
- (c) Bearing and distance
- (d) Use of navigation protractor
- (e) Measurement of tracks and distances
- (f) Conversion of units

(6) PRINCIPLES OF NAVIGATION

- (a) IAS, RAS (CAS) and TAS
- (b) Track, true and magnetic
- (c) Wind velocity, heading and ground speed
- (d) Triangle of velocities
- (e) Calculation of heading and ground speed
- (f) Drift, wind correction angle
- (g) EET and ETA
- (h) Dead reckoning, position, fixes

(7) FLIGHT PLANNING

- (a) Selection of charts
  - (b) Route and aerodrome weather forecasts and reports
  - (c) Assessing the weather situation
  - (d) Plotting the route
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- (e) Considerations of controlled airspace, airspace restrictions, danger areas, etc.
- (f) Use of AIP and NOTAMS
- (g) ATC liaison procedures in controlled airspace
- (h) Fuel considerations
- (i) En-route safety altitude(s)
- (j) Alternate aerodromes
- (k) Communications and radio/navaid frequencies
- (l) Compilation of flight log
- (m) Compilation of ATC flight plan
- (n) Selection of check points, time and distance marks

#### ( 8) PRACTICAL NAVIGATION

- (a) Compass headings, use of deviation card
- (b) Organisation of in-flight workload
- (c) Departure procedure
- (d) Maintenance of heading and altitude
- (e) Use of visual observations
- (f) Establishing position, checkpoints
- (g) Revisions to heading and ETA
- (h) Arrival procedures, ATC liaison
- (i) Use of minute marker graph.

#### (9) GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM (GPS)

- (a) Limitations
- (b) Application
- (c) Principles
- (d) Presentation and interpretation
- (e) Coverage
- (f) Errors and accuracy
- (g) Factors affecting reliability and accuracy
- (h) Legalities

### **3.6 Human Performance Limitations and Passenger care**

#### **3.6.1 Human performance limitations**

- (1) Introduction
  - (2) Oxygen
    - (a) Hypoxia –The dangers & limitations of high altitude flight and the correct use of oxygen equipment.
    - (b) Hyperventilation
  - (4) Barotraumas
  - (5) Common ailments
  - (6) Decompression
  - (7) Air sickness
  - (8) Hearing
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- (9) Sight
- (10) Toxic hazards
- (11) Blood pressure
- (12) Epilepsy
- (13) Alcohol and drugs & medical limitations of prescription medicine
- (14) Knowledge and the senses
- (15) Disorientation
- (16) Avoiding the air proximity
- (17) Stress
- (18) Management of stress
- (19) Emotional factors
- (20) Social psychology
  - (a) Attitude
  - (b) Recognition of authority
  - (c) The Ego Factor
  - (d) Intermediate syndrome

### **3.6.2 Passenger Care**

- (1) Embarking / Disembarking –damage to airframe and canopies
- (2) Seatbelt and comfort
- (3) Briefing
  - (a) Mass limitations of passenger
  - (b) Open cockpit flying
  - (c) Clothing, long hair and security, control proximity
  - (d) Cameras and loose articles
- (4) Human performance limitation as applicable to your passenger
- (5) Eye-contact and communication
- (6) Air law as applicable to passengers
- (7) Passenger seat and flying control access
- (8) signing of indemnities

### **3.7 Principles of gliding.**

**This section is to be completed by a Gliding club.**

#### **3.7.1 Thermalling and thermic flight**

- (1) Introduction to the principles, theory and techniques of thermic flight
- (2) Look out, rules and right of way, entering and leaving thermals and cruising flight.
- (3) Weather conditions associated with thermic flight

#### **3.7.2 Ridge Soaring and wave flight**

- (1) Introduction to the principles, theory and techniques ridge and wave flight
- (2) Look out, rules and right of way, entering and leaving ridges and wave.
- (3) Weather conditions associated with ridge and wave flight
- (4) Instrumentation (Flarm) used for ridge soaring flight

### **3.7.3 Cross Country flight.**

- (1) Introduction to sustained Cross country flight
  - (2) Motor re-start considerations and off field landings and recovery.
  - (3) Flight planning.
  - (4) Competitions
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