

NOTIFICATION**EXEMPTION FOR LICENSING OF BALLOON PILOTS**

The Civil Aviation Authority of the Czech Republic in accordance with the article 71 (1) of the 2018/1139 EU regulation (Basic Regulation) **has granted an exemption** by declaration of the Director of the Flight Division from FCL.130.B, FCL.140.B, FCL.060 (a), FCL.220.B, FCL.230.B and FCL.940 requirements of the EU 1178/2011 regulation (Aircrew Regulation) and BFCL.160 and BFCL.215 (d)(1) of the EU 2018/395 regulation (Balloon Pilot Regulation) **valid for ratings endorsed in the licences of balloon pilots issued by the Civil Aviation Authority of the Czech Republic** (the Exemption).

1. Applicable Licences and Ratings – Balloon pilot:

The Exemption has been granted for holders of the BPL or LAPL(B) and the following endorsed ratings and privileges issued according to Part-FCL or Part-BFCL (the Applicants):

- (1) HOT AIR FREE
- (2) GAS FREE
- (3) HOT AIR AIRSHIP
- (4) HOT AIR TEATHERED
- (5) FI(B) - BPL/LAPL(B) HOT AIR FREE, GAS FREE, HOT AIR AIRSHIP, NIGHT, FI(B)+
- (6) Commercial flight privileges and carriage of passengers

2. Validity Period of the Exemption:

- (1) When the validity of the following recency set out according to FCL.130.B, FCL.140.B, FCL.220.B, FCL.230.B or BFCL.160 to the last 24 months prior to the planned flight ends within the period from 01.03.2020 till 31.07.2020:

- (a) HOT AIR FREE
- (b) GAS FREE
- (c) HOT AIR AIRSHIP
- (d) HOT AIR TEATHERED

it is **extended to the last 32 months prior to the planned flight.**

- (2) When the validity of the recency set out according to FCL.060 (a) or BFCL.215 (d) to 180 days prior to the planned flight ends within the period from 01.03.2020 till 31.07.2020 for:

Commercial flight privileges and carriage of persons

it is **extended to the last 300 days prior to the planned flight.**

- (3) When the validity period of any of the FI(B) rating according to FCL.940 ends within the period from 01.03.2020 till 31.07.2020 it is **extended by 8 months**.

3. Conditions of the Exemption:

The Exemption is granted only in the case when a holder of the applicable licence / rating / privilege is not able to meet requirements for its recency / revalidation in a usual way due to measures having been applied to fight spread of the COVID-19 virus, i.e. particularly limitation of movement of persons, actions of pilot-examiners and instructors, access to the base and when the following requirements have been met:

(1) **Recency of the HOT AIR FREE, GAS FREE, HOT AIR AIRSHIP and HOT AIR TEATHERED privileges:**

- (a) The applicant shall have received briefing from an instructor who holds relevant instructional privileges (the Instructor) in order to refresh the required level of theoretical knowledge to safely operate the applicable aircraft and to safely carry out the relevant manoeuvres and procedures. That briefing shall include specific abnormal and emergency procedures.
- (b) The instructor endorses and signs the received briefing according to the subpara above into the applicant's Log Book by words: „Received briefing according to CAA CZ exemption Re 1772-20-301 dated 09.04.2020 to extend the following recency until (DD.MM.YYYY).”

- (2) **Revalidation of the FI(B) rating:** The validity period of the rating shall end in the period from 01.03.2020 till 31.07.2020.

4. Procedures for Grant of the Exemption:

- (1) **All recency cases:** The Exemption is granted automatically as soon as the Applicant has met relevant requirements specified in this Notification including the above endorsement into his Log Book.

(2) **FI(B) revalidation:**

- (a) A FE(B) checks out that the Applicant has met relevant requirements of this Notification.
- (b) The FE(B) endorses the extended validity of the FI(B) rating into the Applicant's pilot licence.
- (c) The FE(B) fills in the Applicant's data into the NOTIFICATION OF EXEMPTION – REVALIDATION OF FI(B) RATING form and sends it together with the copy of the applicant's pilot licence with the revalidated FI(B) rating via e-mail to: podatelna@caa.cz.

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NOTIFICATION OF EXEMPTION – REVALIDATION OF FI(B) RATING

See Re 1772-20-301 dated 09.04.2020

Name and surname of the Examiner					
Number of the Examiner Certificate					
Nominal list of the Exemption holders					
Name and surname	Licence number	FI(B) original validity until	FI(B) revalidated until	Endorsement date into the Applicant's pilot licence	Note
Signature of the Examiner:					
<p>Send the filled in form together with enclosures via e-mail to: podatelna@caa.cz . When the table <i>Nominal list of the Exemption holders</i> in this form has not space enough for all Applicants use more forms. Enclosures: Copies of all pilot licences with FI(B) rating extended according to this Exemption.</p>					

