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Licence Validation Policy Update for Operators of Bermuda Registered Aircraft



1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This Operations Notice is an update to OPS Notice 01-25 (dated 05 March 2025) and directed at all operators of Bermuda registered aircraft, concerning ICAO Annex 1.2.2.1 requirements related to the validity of flight crew licenses and their associated authorizations.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The BCAA currently issues Flight Crew Licence Certificates of Validation (FCL CV) for a period of up to, but not exceeding five years. The validation will cease to be valid if the licence upon which it was issued is revoked or suspended. This policy has led to additional surveillance of existing validation holders.
- 2.2 In accordance with the relevant ICAO Annex 1, the BCAA has a duty of care to ensure Certificate of Validations issued do not exceed the validity of the FCL license, the medical certificate, the PPC, State of Licencing requirements, etc.
- 2.3 In OPS Notice 01-25 (dated 05 March 2025), BCAA advised operators of a pending change for Flight Crew Licence Certificates of Validation (FCL CV) for a period of up to, but not exceeding, one (1) year. However, after insightful feedback from industry, the increase in administrative efforts to comply with this change was noted and considered. Based on the feedback, the BCAA has reconsidered the FCL CV duration as described in 3.

3 INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Considering industry feedback whilst also ensuring compliance with ICAO Annex 1, starting from the 1st of June 2025 the BCAA will issue Flight Crew Licence Certificates of Validation (FCL CV) **for a period of up to, but not exceeding, two (2) years**. This policy change ensures a more reasonable surveillance system for the validations issued by the BCAA as the Licencing Authority while accommodating the realities of the application process for operators. Any validation will cease to be valid if the licence upon which it was issued is not current, valid, revoked or suspended.

4 ENQUIRIES

- 4.1 Enquiries regarding the content of this Notice should be addressed to the BCAA. Enquiries can be sent by email to flightops@bcaa.bm.

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