

Part 61, Stage II NPRM Publication Notification

In accordance with section 34(1)(a) of the Civil Aviation Act 1990, the Minister of Transport hereby gives notice of his intention to make the following ordinary Civil Aviation Rules:

Part 61 – Pilot Licenses and Ratings:

Part 1 – Definitions and Abbreviations:

Part 91 – General Operating and Flight Rules:

Part 103 – Microlight Aircraft – Operating Rules:

Part 133 – Helicopter External Load Operations:

Part 137 – Agricultural Aircraft Operations:

contained in NPRM 09-02, CAA Docket 4/CAR/4

Civil Aviation Rule Parts 1, 91, 103, 133, and 137 are consequential amendments to the proposed complete review of Part 61.

The amendments in this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) propose:

- a complete revision of the structure of Part 61
- introducing two new pilot licences: Private Pilot Licence (Balloon) and Commercial Pilot Licence (Microlight)
- specifying requirements in the rules for pilots to be proficient in the English language
- reorganising the system of ratings and authorisations, including redefining the significant ratings as aviation documents and introducing authorisations to replace existing minor ratings as well as creating new authorisations for activities that are covered by logbook entries
- amending and clarifying the requirements for flight tests
- amending the requirements for flight instructor ratings, including introducing new flight instructor ratings for balloons and airlines
- introducing new flight examiner ratings for balloons and agriculture aviation
- amending the instrument rating requirements, amending the logging of instrument flight time, and the introduction of a co-pilot instrument rating for helicopters
- introducing requirements for mountainous terrain training to be included in the eligibility requirements for PPLs and CPLs into the rules

- amending type rating requirements and the requirements for instructors to give type ratings in multi-engine aircraft
- amending the requirements for written examinations, including raising the pass mark for examinations and placing a limit on the number of times a person can attempt an exam before a stand-down period applies
- editorial amendments and amendments to clarify the requirements of this Part.

These amendments are designed to enhance aviation safety, raise pilot training and competency standards, clarify rule requirements, and ensure continuing compliance with ICAO standards.

The NPRM will be made available for comment 29 NOV 2012 on the CAA web site, www.caa.govt.nz, "Rules Development – Notices of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRMs) Open for Submissions".

The NPRM will also be made available for viewing at Level 15, Asteron Centre, 55 Featherston Street, Wellington on prior request to the Docket Clerk.

Please use the NPRM Submission Form available on our web site and email it to docket@caa.govt.nz

The CAA prefers to receive submissions by email in MS Word format to ensure efficient and secure cataloguing of all comments.

Submissions on the proposed rule must be received by the Docket Clerk no later than **11 January 2013**.

For further information, or assistance in submitting your comments, please contact Rosemary Hughes, Docket Clerk at (04)560-9603 or email:

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Regards,

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