

ORS4 No. 1408

What does it cover?

This exemption applies to pilots holding UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificates and exercising the privileges of a UK CAA issued EASA Part-FCL pilot licence.

This exemption is to assist individual medical certificate holders who may be experiencing difficulties in revalidating or renewing their medical certificate during the period of the COVID-19 pandemic and recovery phase. It also reduces demand on AMEs to enable them to better support commercial air operations and air navigation service provision.

This document guidance is provided for pilots operating in the GA environment only.

What does it mean?

If you are the holder of a UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificates and due to your personal circumstances it is not possible to revalidate or renew your medical certificate with an appropriate medical examiner in the normal way, you are exempted from the standard validity and related time periods shown on your medical certificate.

If you meet certain conditions you can use the exemption to extend the privileges of your medical certificate and treat it as being still valid for a period of time even though the expiry date of the certificate has passed.

The key conditions of the exemption are:

- You have not had a reportable decrease in medical fitness (MED.A.020. or MED.C.030) since your last medical assessment with an appropriate medical examiner; and
- If subject to any additional medical surveillance (e.g. by your AME, GP or the CAA) you must continue to comply with those specified requirements.

If you are not able to meet these conditions at any time the exemption no longer applies to you, your certificate should be considered lapsed and you must contact your appropriate medical examiner to revalidate or renew your medical certificate.

If your UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificate validity period expired on or after 16 March 2020 but before 31 August 2020 the existing privileges are extended until 22 November 2020.

If your UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificate validity period expired on or after 1 September 2020 but before 22 November 2020 the existing privileges are extended for a maximum of 45 days but no later than 31 December 2020, whichever is the sooner.

You must carry your (expired) medical certificate and a copy of the exemption notice as part of your flight crew licence if using the exemption validity period extension.

GA pilots may also consider using the pilot medical self-declaration scheme as an alternative to medical certification revalidation or renewal.

What action do I need to take?

Decide if you have been subject to a reportable decrease in medical fitness since your last medical assessment with an appropriate medical practitioner. If yes, contact your appropriate medical practitioner to revalidate or renew your certificate as this exemption does not apply to you.

If you are subject to on-going medical reporting as a condition of your medical certificate decide if you have and can continue to meet these requirements. If not, contact your appropriate medical practitioner for advice as this exemption does not apply to you.

Review your personal circumstances and your latest medical certificate and decide if you need to revalidate or renew your medical certificate in the conventional manner, or can take advantage of this exemption's flexibility provision or can use the pilot medical self-declaration scheme as an alternative to medical certification.

If you decide to take advantage of this exemption review your existing UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 or LAPL medical certificate expiry date:

- If the validity period expired on or after 16 March 2020, but before 31 August 2020 the existing privileges are extended until 22 November 2020.
- If the validity period expired on or after 1 September 2020 but before 22 November 2020 the existing privileges are extended for a maximum of 45 days but no later than 31 December 2020, whichever is the sooner.

You must carry your (expired) medical certificate and a copy of the exemption notice as part of your flight crew licence if using the exemption validity period extension.

You are recommended to make a careful note of when the extension period no longer applies to you and ensure you allow sufficient time to revalidate or renew your medical certificate before that date is reached or, if appropriate to you, declare under the pilot medical self-declaration scheme.

ORS4 No. 1413

What does it cover?

This exemption applies to pilots holding UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificate and exercising the privileges of a United Kingdom pilot licence.

This exemption is to assist individual medical certificate holders who may be experiencing difficulties in revalidating or renewing their medical certificate during the period of the COVID-19 pandemic and recovery phase. It also reduces demand on AMEs to enable them to better support commercial air operations and air navigation service provision.

This document guidance is provided for pilots operating in the GA environment only.

What does it mean?

If you are the holder of a UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificates and due to your personal circumstances it is not possible to revalidate or renew your medical certificate with an appropriate medical examiner in the normal way, you are exempted from the standard validity and related time periods shown on your medical certificate.

If you meet certain conditions you can use the exemption to extend the privileges of your medical certificate and treat it as being still valid for a period of time even though the expiry date of the certificate has passed.

The key conditions of the exemption are:

- You have not had a reportable decrease in medical fitness (MED.A.020. or MED.C.030) since your last medical assessment with an appropriate medical examiner and;
- If subject to any additional medical surveillance (e.g. by your AME, GP or the CAA) you must continue to comply with those specified requirements.

If you are not able to meet these conditions at any time the exemption no longer applies to you, your certificate should be considered lapsed and you must contact your appropriate medical examiner to revalidate or renew your medical certificate.

If your UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificate validity period expired on or after 16 March 2020 but before 31 August 2020 the existing privileges are extended until 22 November 2020.

If your UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 and LAPL medical certificate validity period expired on or after 1 September 2020 but before 22 November 2020 the existing privileges are extended for a maximum of 45 days but no later than 31 December 2020, whichever is the sooner.

You must carry your (expired) medical certificate and a copy of the exemption notice as part of your flight crew licence if using the exemption validity period extension.

GA pilots may also consider using the pilot medical self-declaration scheme as an alternative to medical certification revalidation or renewal.

What action do I need to take?

Decide if you have been subject to a reportable decrease in medical fitness since your last medical assessment with an appropriate medical practitioner. If yes, contact your appropriate medical practitioner to revalidate or renew your certificate as this exemption does not apply to you.

If you are subject to on-going medical reporting as a condition of your medical certificate decide if you have and can continue to meet these requirements. If not, contact your appropriate medical practitioner for advice as this exemption does not apply to you.

Review your personal circumstances and your latest medical certificate and decide if you need to revalidate or renew your medical certificate in the conventional manner, or can take advantage of this exemption's flexibility provision or can use the pilot medical self-declaration scheme as an alternative to medical certification.

If you decide to take advantage of this exemption review your existing UK CAA issued EASA (EU Part-MED) Class 1, 2 or LAPL medical certificate expiry date:

- If the validity period expired on or after 16 March 2020, but before 31 August 2020 the existing privileges are extended until 22 November 2020.
- If the validity period expired on or after 1 September 2020 but before 22 November 2020 the existing privileges are extended for a maximum of 45 days but no later than 31 December 2020, whichever is the sooner.

You must carry your (expired) medical certificate and a copy of the exemption notice as part of your flight crew licence if using the exemption validity period extension.

You are recommended to make a careful note of when the extension period no longer applies to you and ensure you allow sufficient time to revalidate or renew your medical certificate before that date is reached or, if appropriate to you, declare under the pilot medical self-declaration scheme.