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After Compliments,

Exemption – ATC Proficiency Requirements

The Authority has reviewed your request for renewal of exemption as contemplated in CAR10.025 and having duly assessed the risk and compliance implications hereby grants the following three (3) Exemptions with the attached applicable restrictions:

Exemption 1 – Requirements of CAN 5-01 (1.5.1)

1) The Authority hereby grants a renewal of the exemption granted in Safety Circular 2020-01 for a period of **One (1) Month only** whereby:

An Air Traffic Control license, rating endorsement, or proficiency renewal that expires on or before 31 August 2020 shall be extended by a period of 4 months to expire not after 31 December 2020.

Exemption 2 – Requirements of CAN 5-01 (1.5.1) Imposition of Alternate Requirements

2) Thereafter the Authority shall require the ANSP to comply with the following alternate means and grants an exemption for DG-AN in complying with the requirements of CAN 5-01 (1.5.1) reference proficiency subject to the following conditions:

- A. *The air traffic service provider develops a combined refresher and emergency training syllabus for each discipline of license (Tower, Approach, Area), to be approved by the Authority, detailing, but not limited to;*
- I. *General Refresher training on requirements for provision of Air Traffic Services (Annex 11 and Doc 4444).*
 - II. *Refresher training on local requirements (MATSOP).*
 - III. *Refresher training on coordination requirements and letters of agreements between units/sectors.*
 - IV. *Refresher Training on the ATS infrastructure applicable to each discipline of license (including Nav aids, ATS routes, airspace structure and classification, Instrument approach procedures, departure procedures, establishment and identification of significant points [5LNC, Waypoints etc.] as applicable).*

- V. Refresher training on separation standards (including procedural separations applicable for the discipline).
- VI. Refresher Training on phraseology.
- VII. Training on Emergency and Contingency Procedures.

The above refresher and emergency training shall be documented and developed using slide shows and/or training manuals to be distributed to the candidate for renewal. The training may be developed to be conducted remotely or by self-study of the candidate and need not be delivered by a Theoretical Knowledge Examiner (TKE) however means for the candidate to raise queries should be provided if the self-study method is used. The training should be comprehensive to take approximately 4 hours for the candidate to complete. The training documentation shall be approved by the Authority prior to use by the service provider.

- B. The oral technical knowledge assessment required, as per CAN 4-10 (10.8.2), shall be substituted with a written examination to be taken by the candidate before doing any on-position check.
 - I. The air traffic service provider shall develop a written examination in conjunction with the refresher and emergency training topics listed in "A." above, as well as the elements that may usually be tested in the oral examination.
 - II. The examination shall consist of at least 100 questions and the candidate shall be required to obtain at least 70% to be considered for the proficiency check. Use of reference documents during the examination may be allowed.
 - III. The written examinations shall be submitted to the authority for approval with the refresher and emergency training documents.
- C. A proficiency check administered by an Authorised ATC Examiner shall be conducted for at least 1 hour on the sector or combined sector suites for which the rating proficiency is being renewed, provided that the traffic density is a minimum of:
 - I. For area, 10 flights per hour when assessed on West/North combined, or a minimum of 5 flights per hour on the individual sector or other combined sectors.
 - II. For tower and approach, 5 flights per hour.
- D. The requirement to conduct a minimum of 3 hours of procedural control simulation shall be exempted from each candidate for renewal that has successfully passed the approved written examination.
- E. The requirement to conduct a minimum of 2 hours of Emergency and Contingency procedures simulation or classroom instruction is exempted from each candidate for renewal that has successfully passed the approved written examination.
- F. The air traffic service provider submits details showing currency of each candidate for renewal's currency over the previous 60 days prior to renewal, detailing when the candidate last worked each applicable sector or combined sector suite and the duration thereof.
- G. This exemption and the conditions attached to it shall remain in force for a period of 1 Gregorian calendar year from date of issue.


Exemption 3 – Requirements of CAN 4-06 (6.4)

3) With reference to ATC Language Proficiency Endorsements no further mitigations were proposed and the renewal of the Exemption is granted for **2 Months** whereby;

An Air Traffic Control License Language Proficiency endorsement that expires on or before 30 September 2020 shall be extended by a period of 4 months to expire not after 31 January 2021.

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