

## Automatic validation of UK flight crew licences issued in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) 1178/2011 as amended

### History

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In response to several ramp inspections outside the territory of the European Union (EU) Member States, when the flight crew members were found operating aircraft registered in a Member State other than the one that had issued their pilot licences, the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) has amended Annex 1 to the Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation to cater for automatic validation of licences through Regional Safety Oversight Organizations (RSOOs) agreements.

The ICAO Amendment 174 to Annex 1 -Personnel Licensing- enables, within a group of States, the automatic validation of licences issued by any State of the group when those States are party to a formal agreement under common licensing regulations. Such formal agreements can be implemented in various regions and improve the mobility of licensed personnel. It can be introduced with the support of a regional safety oversight organization, as appropriate.

### Those affected

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All pilots holding a licence issued by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the UK), in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) 1178/2011 as amended, operating commercially for a European Operator, whose aircraft are on the register of a EU Member State which is also a member of the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA). A list of EASA Member States is available on its [website](#).

It should be noted that Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland are excluded from the list, whilst they are member of EASA, they are not EU member States.

### Actions for the CAA and licence holders

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As of the 19th August 2018, the Civil Aviation Authority, will print on all EASA Part-FCL that it issues, this additional remark at Section XIII "This licence is automatically validated as per the ICAO attachment to this licence". It is the responsibility of the individual licence holder to print off this attachment [Automatic validation of Pilot licenses-ICAO registration number 5950](#), if operating an aircraft registered with another EU Member State, and to carry it with their licence document.

This Aeronautical Agreement facilitates the automatic validation of pilot licenses (Regulation (EC) No. 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules in the field of aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union).

## **Access to the ICAO Aeronautical Agreement for Ramp Inspectors**

Access to Aeronautical Agreement - ICAO Registration Number 5950, can be obtained on the [ICAO website](#) and entering the ICAO Registration Number 5950.

Aeronautical Agreement - ICAO Registration Number 5950, has been submitted to and registered by ICAO.

## **Operating a G-registered aircraft**

If you are operating a 'G' (UK) registered aircraft and hold a UK issued EASA Part-FCL licence you are not affected.