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ISSUE AND VALIDITY OF A STUDENT  
PILOT LICENCE

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## ISSUE AND VALIDITY OF A STUDENT PILOT LICENCE (PEL Regulation 25 to 29)

**25** (1) A person wishing to apply for a student pilot licence shall

- (a) apply to the Director in the prescribed form;
- (b) pay the prescribed fee as set out in the *Schedule*;
- (c) be at least 16 years of age;
- (d) be able to read, speak, write and understand the English Language; and
- (e) hold a current Class 2 medical assessment in accordance with Part IX.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1)(c), the minimum age for an applicant for a student pilot licence for a glider or lighter-than-air aircraft shall be 14 years.

**26** (1) Where the Director is satisfied that the applicant for a student pilot licence meets the requirements of this Part, he may issue the applicant with a student pilot licence.

(2) Notwithstanding regulation 5(3) a student pilot licence issued in accordance with paragraph (1), shall expire at the end of the last day of the;

(a) 60th month from the date of the medical examination shown on the certificate where the person has not reached his 40<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before the date of such examination, for operations requiring a student pilot licence; or

(b) 24th month from the date of the medical examination shown on the certificate where the person has reached his 40th birthday on or before the date of such examination, for operations requiring a student pilot licence.

**27.** (1) A student pilot shall not operate an aircraft in solo flight unless he has met the requirements of these Regulations.

(2) A student pilot shall, in order to operate an aircraft in solo flight, satisfactorily pass an aeronautical knowledge test administered by the Director in the following areas:

- (a) air law;
- (b) airspace rules and procedures for the airport where the student pilot will perform solo flight; and
- (c) flight characteristics and operational limitations for the make and model of aircraft to be flown.

(3) The Director shall at the conclusion of the aeronautical knowledge test referred to in paragraph (2) and before making a recommendation in paragraph (6), review all incorrect answers with the student.

(4) Prior to conducting a solo flight, a student pilot shall have (a) received and logged flight training for the manoeuvres and procedures set out in the General Application and Personnel Licensing Standards that are appropriate to the make and model of aircraft to be flown; and

(b) demonstrated satisfactory proficiency and safety, as judged by an authorised instructor, on the manoeuvres and procedures required by this Regulation in the make and model of aircraft or similar make and model of aircraft to be flown.

(5) A student pilot who is receiving solo flight training shall receive and log flight training for the additional manoeuvres and procedures, as applicable for each category and class rating in the areas set out in the General Application and Personnel Licensing Standards.

(6) Where the student pilot (a) passes the aeronautical knowledge test referred to in paragraph (2); and (b) meets the requirements of paragraphs (4) and (5), the Director may authorise such student pilot to conduct a solo flight.

(7) The recommendation referred to in paragraph (6), shall be endorsed on a student pilot licence.

**28.** (1) No student pilot shall act as pilot in command of an aircraft (a) that is;

(i) carrying a passenger;

(ii) carrying property for compensation or hire;

(iii) operated for compensation or hire;

(b) in furtherance of a business;

(c) on an international flight;

(d) with a flight visibility of less than 3 nautical miles during daylight hours or 5 nautical miles at night;

(e) when the flight cannot be made with visual reference to the surface; or

(f) in a manner contrary to any limitations placed in the logbook of the student pilot by an authorised flight instructor.

(2) A flight instructor conducting training of a student pilot shall not be considered a passenger in paragraph (1)(a)(i).

(3) A student pilot shall not act as a required pilot on any aircraft for which more than one pilot flight crew member is required by

(a) the aircraft type certificate; or

(b) by the Act or Regulations made thereunder.

(4) Notwithstanding paragraph (3), a student pilot may act as a pilot flight crew member on an aircraft for which more than one pilot is required

(a) when receiving flight training from an authorised flight instructor or on board an airship; and

(b) where no person other than a required flight crew member is carried on the aircraft.

(5) No student pilot shall operate an aircraft in solo flight unless he has received and logged within the 90 days preceding the date of the flight, an endorsement from an authorised flight instructor for the specific make and model of the aircraft to be flown.

(6) No student pilot shall operate an aircraft in solo flight at night unless the student pilot has received

(a) flight training at night that includes takeoffs, approaches, landings, and go-arounds at night at the airport where the student pilot intends to conduct the solo flight;

(b) navigation training at night in the vicinity of the airport where the student pilot intends to conduct the solo flight; and

(c) an endorsement for night solo flight.

(7) A student pilot may operate the radio communication system of an aircraft for the purpose of a flight.

**29.** (1) A student pilot shall before

(a) conducting a solo cross-country flight, or any flight greater than 270 km (150 NM) from the airport from where the flight originated; and

(b) making a solo flight and landing at any location other than the airport of origin, meet the requirements of these Regulations.

(2) A student pilot who seeks solo cross-country flight privileges Shall;

(a) have received ground and flight training from an authorised flight instructor on the manoeuvres set out in the General Application and Personnel Licensing Standards that are appropriate to the make and model of aircraft for which solo cross-country privileges are sought;

(b) have demonstrated cross-country proficiency on the appropriate manoeuvres and procedures set out in the General Application and Personnel Licensing Standards, to an authorised flight instructor;

(c) have satisfactorily accomplished the pre-solo flight manoeuvres and procedures set out in the General Application and Personnel Licensing Standards, in the make and model of aircraft or similar make and model of aircraft for which solo

cross-country privileges are sought; and

(d) comply with any limitations included in the endorsement of the authorised flight instructor that are required by paragraphs (6) and (7).

(3) A student pilot shall obtain an endorsement from an authorized flight instructor before making certain solo and cross-country flights.

(4) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), a student pilot in paragraph (3), may make solo flights to another airport that is within 25 nautical miles from the airport where he normally receives training, where

(a) the authorised flight instructor who makes the endorsement gave the student pilot flight training at the other airport, and that training included flight in both directions over the route, entering and exiting the traffic pattern, and takeoffs and landings at the other airport;

(b) the student pilot has a current solo flight endorsement in accordance with regulation 27(7);

(c) the authorised flight instructor has determined that the student pilot is proficient to make the flight; and

(d) the purpose of the flight is to practice takeoffs and landings at that other airport.

(5) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2), a student pilot in paragraph (3), may make repeated specific solo cross-country flights to another airport that is within 50 nautical miles of the airport from which the flight originated, provided

(a) the authorised flight instructor who gave the endorsement gave the student pilot flight training in both directions over the route, including entering and exiting the traffic patterns, takeoffs and landings at the airport to be used;

(b) the student pilot has current solo flight endorsements in accordance with regulation 27(7); and

(c) the student pilot has a current solo cross-country flight endorsement in accordance with paragraph (6), except that separate endorsements are not required for each flight made under this Regulation.

(6) Notwithstanding paragraph (5), a student pilot shall have for each make and model aircraft which he will fly on each cross-country flight, a solo cross-country endorsement placed in his logbook by the authorised flight instructor who conducted the training.

(7) A licenced pilot who is receiving training for an additional aircraft category and class rating shall have an endorsement placed in his logbook by the authorised flight instructor who conducted the training.