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New EASA Part-FCL PPL (Aeroplane) and (Helicopter) Theoretical Knowledge Examinations: 120 Questions

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Airspace:	Not primarily affected
Airworthiness:	Not primarily affected
Flight Operations:	Not primarily affected
Licensed/Unlicensed Personnel:	All Ground Examiners (GR) and all Approved Training Organisations (ATOs) and Registered Facilities (RTFs) offering PPL, LAPL, or NPPL Training

1 Introduction

- 1.1 In keeping with our commitment to remove unnecessary gold plating of European regulation we have reduced the number of Theoretical Knowledge (TK) examination questions for Part-FCL Private Pilot Licence (PPL) (Aeroplane) and (Helicopter), Part-FCL Light Aircraft Pilot Licence (LAPL) (A) and (H), and UK National PPL (A) to a total of 120 multiple-choice questions covering all subjects.

2 Scope

2.1 Introduction of New Examination Papers

- 2.1.1 The new examinations will be available for candidates to sit from 15 October 2014. From this date all previous versions are to be withdrawn.

2.2 Transitional Arrangements

- 2.2.1 Candidates who have already sat one or more examinations under the previous papers will be able to continue using the new examinations from 15 October 2014.
- 2.2.2 A combination of previous and new version passes will be accepted.
- 2.2.3 From the 15 October 2014 candidates will only be able to sit the new examinations.

2.3 Pass Standards

- 2.3.1 A pass will be awarded to an applicant achieving at least 75% correct marks allocated to a paper. No marks will be deducted for an incorrect answer.
- 2.3.2 To successfully complete the required TK examinations the applicant must pass all the required examination papers within a period of 18 months (counted from the end of the calendar month when the applicant first attempted an examination).
- 2.3.3 If an applicant fails to pass one of the examination papers within four attempts, or has failed to pass all papers within either six sittings or 18 months (as detailed above), they must re-take the complete set of examination papers.

2.4 Definition of a Sitting

- 2.4.1 A sitting is defined as attending an examination centre for the purpose of taking one or more examinations. When taking more than one examination these must be completed in a **maximum of 10 consecutive days**. A total of six sittings (each over a maximum of 10 consecutive days) are allowed. Only one attempt at each paper may be made in any one sitting. A candidate is not compelled to wait until the end of the ten consecutive day period before attempting the re-sit of a failed paper, but whenever a re-sit is attempted this is counted as a further sitting.

2.5 Validity Period

- 2.5.1 An application for a licence will be accepted during the 24 months from the actual date (not month) of successfully completing all of the TK examinations.

3 UK Part-FCL PPL (A) and (H) Examination Papers

- 3.1 The following common subject papers are valid as from 15 October 2014 for **PPL Aeroplane and Helicopter** examinations:

Subject	Set Exam Numbers		
Air Law	010A/14	010B/14	010C/14
Human Performance	040A/14	040B/14	040C/14
Meteorology	050A/14	050B/14	050C/14
Communications	091A/14	091B/14	091C/14

- 3.2 The following specific subject papers are valid as from 15 October 2014 for **PPL Aeroplane** examinations:

Subject	Set Exam Numbers		
Aircraft General Knowledge	021A/14	021B/14	021C/14
Flight Performance & Planning	030A/14	030B/14	030C/14
Navigation	060A/14	060B/14	060C/14
Operational Procedures	071A/14	071B/14	071C/14
Principles of Flight	081A/14	081B/14	081C/14