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Allowing Instructors to Revalidate Single Engine Piston and Touring Motor Glider Class Ratings

This information notice contains information that is for guidance and/or awareness.

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Applicability:	
Aerodromes:	Not primarily affected
Air Traffic:	Not primarily affected
Airspace:	Not primarily affected
Airworthiness:	Not primarily affected
Flight Operations:	Not primarily affected
Licensed/Unlicensed Personnel:	All Pilots of Single Engine Piston (SEP) aeroplanes and Touring Motor Gliders (TMG). All Instructors and examiners for SEP and TMG class ratings.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Flight Instructor (Aeroplane) (FI(A)) and Class Rating Instructors (CRI) that are valid for Single Engine Piston (SEP) and/or Touring Motor Glider (TMG) are now authorised to extend the validity of a pilot's SEP and TMG class ratings where the licence holder has met the requirements for revalidation by experience. Instructors need to be specifically authorised by the CAA to be able to do this.

2 Scope

- 2.1 A pilot can renew their SEP or TMG rating by completing 12 hours flying in that class of aircraft in the 12 months before their rating expires. That must include:
- six hours as pilot in command
 - 12 take-offs and 12 landings, and
 - a training flight of at least one hour with a flight instructor or a class rating instructor (pilots are exempt from this flight if they have passed a class or type rating proficiency check or skill test in any other class or type of aeroplane).

If this is completed then the revalidation page in their licence is endorsed to show their rating is valid for another 24 months.

Previously this had to be done by an authorised examiner but from 8 April 2015 this will be extended to include Flight Instructor (Aeroplane) (FI(A)) and Class Rating Instructors (CRI).

- 2.2 European requirements state that these instructors must be specifically authorised for the task. To achieve that we will add FCL.945 to the privileges shown in the instructor's licence. This will also be valid for the revalidation by experience of SEP and TMG/SLMG ratings held in UK national aeroplane licences.
- 2.3 From now on whenever we reissue a licence with a FI(A) or CRI we will automatically add the FCL.945 privilege. If an instructor wishes to add the privilege before this then they can apply using [form 1133](#) for a fee of £53.

The change affects UK-issued licences only, and not those issued by other member states.

3 Queries

- 3.1 Any queries or requests for further guidance should be addressed to:

Licensing - Shared Services Centre
Civil Aviation Authority
GE, Aviation House
Gatwick Airport
RH6 0YR

Or e-mail FCLWEB@caa.co.uk

4 Cancellation

- 4.1 This Information Notice will remain in force until 8 April 2016.