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Need for non-EASA Pilots to Validate Licences for Private Flights in UK Registered Aircraft Deferred

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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, instructors and examiners

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The CAA has announced that it will be deferring for a year (until 8 April 2016) the UK implementation of European regulations requiring pilots with a licence issued by a non-EASA country to gain a validation of their licence before they can fly private flights in an EU-registered aircraft.

2 Scope

- 2.1 This means that until 8 April 2016, the holder of a licence from a non-EASA country may fly a UK-registered aircraft without obtaining a validation of that licence, provided that:
- they are not a student pilot;
 - they are not flying the aircraft for commercial air transport, public transport or aerial work;
 - they do not receive remuneration for his services, or give any flight instruction; and
 - they do not fly the aircraft in controlled airspace where they must comply with instrument flight rules.
- 2.2 An amendment to the European regulations coming into force on 8 April 2015 will introduce new easier requirements for the validation of private pilot, sailplane and balloon licences for those wishing to undertake non-commercial flights in Europe for temporary periods. These new requirements will be the ones used by the CAA from April 2016.

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 September 2016.

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