

SECTION 2.01 PILOT CERTIFICATE – GROUP D

- d. have attained the age of:
 - (1) In the case of Pilot Certificate holders, fifteen (15) years.
 - (2) In the case of Rating holders, eighteen (18) years; and
 - (3) In the case of Approval holders, twenty one (21) years; and
 - e. have undergone a flight review or equivalent flight check in accordance with this manual within the previous 24 months; and
 - f. meets the pilot recency requirements in accordance with this manual.
25. In order to give flight instruction in a Group D recreational aircraft a Pilot Certificate holder must hold a Group D Instructor or Senior Instructor Rating, or higher Approval. Such Rating holders must be responsible to and under the indirect or direct supervision of a CFI, or hold a CFI approval.

ENDORSEMENTS

Endorsements Based on Pilot Qualifications

RADIO OPERATOR ENDORSEMENT (R)

26. In order to operate a recreational aircraft VHF radio on aeronautical frequencies a person must:
- a. hold a RAAus Radio Operator (R) Endorsement; or
 - b. be under instruction by a RAAus Instructor for the purpose of training, who holds the Radio Endorsement; or
 - c. hold a CASA Aeronautical Radio Operators Certificate (AROC), CASA Flight Radio Operators Licence (FROL) or a recognised Flight Radiotelephone Operator Licence or Flight Radio Endorsement.

PASSENGER CARRYING ENDORSEMENT (PAX)

27. In order to carry a passenger in a Group D recreational aircraft the Pilot Certificate holder shall be the holder of a Passenger Carrying (PAX) Endorsement and the aircraft must meet the requirements of CAO 95.32.

CROSS COUNTRY ENDORSEMENT (X)

28. In order to act as pilot in command of a Group D recreational aircraft at a distance greater than 25 nautical miles from the original point of departure a Pilot Certificate holder must hold a RAAus Cross Country (X) Endorsement, or a logbook endorsement by a CFI complying with Section 2.07 Paragraph 37 of this manual.

Note: Multiple flights of 25 nautical miles or less do not comply with this requirement.

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Endorsements based on aircraft characteristics

UTILITY ENDORSEMENT

29. In order to operate a recreational aircraft below 500 FT AGL on a property for the purposes of stock spotting and subsequent movement by ground personnel, water trough or fence line inspection, etc. as pilot in command a Pilot Certificate holder must hold a Utility Endorsement.

TYPE TRAINING

30. In order for a pilot to operate a Group D recreational aircraft they must ensure they are competent and familiar with the canopy type e.g. Box or Elliptical, and the specific characteristics of the base e.g. foot or hand control, fixed or steerable nose wheel and hand or foot operated throttle control

Further information about the RAAus recommended processes for Aircraft Type Training can be obtained in the Recreational Aviation Advisory Publication “RAAP 1 – 2016 Type Transition Guidance”.

- Note:** Logbook entries showing a minimum of 2 hours pilot in command of an aircraft type recorded prior to Issue 7 of this manual will be accepted as evidence of appropriate type training for that aircraft.

TWO STROKE ENDORSEMENT (2S)

31. In order to operate a Group D recreational aircraft fitted with a two stroke engine as pilot in command a Group D Pilot Certificate holder must hold a RAAus Two Stroke (2S) Endorsement.

PROVISION FOR SOLO FLIGHT DURING ENDORSEMENT TRAINING

32. In spite of the requirements shown in this Section, solo flight, may be specifically authorised for individual flights as part of the training for the following endorsements when conducted by a RAAus Examiner:

Cross Country (X), Two-stroke (2S)

QUALIFICATIONS WHICH MAY BE USED FOR RAAUS ENDORSEMENT PURPOSES

33. The following Endorsements may be issued to Group D Pilot Certificate holders who have documented evidence of equivalent or higher qualifications acceptable to the Head of Flight Operations:

Radio (R), Passenger (PAX), Cross Country (X), Two-stroke (2S)

CARRIAGE AND PRODUCTION OF PILOT CERTIFICATE

34. On request from a RAAus official (including Flight Operations and Technical Staff, CFI, PE or ROC), an officer of CASA or a Police Officer, pilots are required to produce their Pilot Certificate within 72 hours.
35. Owners and/or operators of Group D recreational aircraft must provide pilot in command details for any flight when requested by a RAAus official (including Flight Operations and Technical Staff, CFI, PE or ROC), an officer of CASA or a Police Officer.

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REGISTRATION AND OPERATION OF WEIGHTSHIFT AIRCRAFT

36. CAO 95.32 permit Group D aircraft to be registered with RAAus or the SAFA. Despite this:
- a. SAFA Pilot Certificate holders may not act as pilot in command of an RAAus registered aircraft without relevant RAAus Group D qualifications; and
 - b. RAAus Group D Pilot Certificate holders may not act as pilot in command of a SAFA registered aircraft without relevant SAFA qualifications.