

DEFINITIONS

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| Accident Consultant | For the purposes of this manual, an Accident Consultant may be a delegate, staff member, industry specialist or volunteer appointed by the Head of Flight Operations for the purposes of providing specialist industry knowledge to police and Coroners as required. |
| Aerodrome | For the purposes of this manual has the same meaning as airfield, airport and Aircraft Landing Area (ALA). |
| Aeroplane | A power-driven heavier-than-air aircraft deriving its lift in flight chiefly from aerodynamic reactions on surfaces remaining fixed under given conditions of flight, but does not include a power-assisted sailplane. Note: an aeroplane includes a <i>touring motor glider</i> . |
| Aircraft | Any machine or craft that can derive support in the atmosphere from the reactions of the air, other than the reactions of the air against the earth's surface. |
| Aircraft Logbook | The manufacturer's aircraft logbook, or an aircraft logbook approved by RAAus. |
| Aircraft Group | See Section 2.04 for designations, which are generally divided by control design e.g. Group A – three axis control aircraft. |
| Aircraft Time In Service | For maintenance purposes, must be recorded in accordance with the manufacturer's maintenance manual. Otherwise, it is the period starting when the aircraft takes off on a flight and ending when the aircraft lands at the end of the flight. |
| Aircraft Type | In the case of Group A or B aircraft; aircraft of similar undercarriage configuration, design features, wing design and camber, fuel and electrical system, ancillary control such as flaps, trim, dive brakes, cowl flaps, differing avionics, cockpit ergonomics, critical operating speeds including flight envelope (e.g. high drag/low drag with consideration of inertia), stall speeds and normal/emergency handling characteristics as noted by the manufacturer or RAAus. (Note. This definition applies to assessment of similar aircraft types for the purposes of type training). In the case of Group D aircraft; aircraft of a similar canopy type (box or elliptical) similar control type (foot or hand) and nose wheel type (steerable or fixed). |
| Approval | Issued by the Head of Flight Operations for the purpose of a defined duty or duties. An 'Approval' is an addition to existing RAAus qualifications i.e. CFI, PE, IT, ROC or AC. See Section 2.05 – 1 for the various types and associated symbols. |
| Assistant Head of Flight Operations | A person appointed by RAAus, whose duties and responsibilities are specified in this manual. This role was formally known as the Assistant Operations Manager and carries with it all the delegations, duties and responsibilities of its previous title. |
| CAA | Civil Aviation Act |
| CAO | Civil Aviation Orders issued by CASA |

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| CAR | Civil Aviation Regulations 1988 |
| CASR | Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998 |
| CFI | Chief Flying Instructor appointed by the Head of Flight Operations, with duties and responsibilities as specified in this manual. Unless specifically mentioned in this manual a CFI does not mean a CFI in CASA or in any other Sport Aviation Body or Approved Self- administering Aviation Organisation (ASAO) |
| Converting Pilot | A pilot with qualifications from another organisation, Australian or overseas, who intends to obtain a RAAus Pilot Certificate |
| Deputy Chief Flying Instructor | Is an approval issued by RAAus to a suitably qualified RAAus Senior Instructor to assist the nominated CFI with conducting instructor proficiency checks and flight tests for the issue of Pilot Certificates and Cross Country endorsements |
| Direct Supervision | The supervisor personally provides surveillance, assessment and mentoring development of persons providing ground and flight training to ensure it meets the training and safety requirements of this Manual and the RAAus Syllabus of Flight Training. |
| Endorsement(s) | Are additional qualifications applied to a Pilot Certificate. Refer to Section 2.05 |
| Flight Check | An assessment by an RAAus authorised person of a pilot certificate holder's proficiency to determine if the certificate holder is competent to be issued with or continue to exercise the privileges of a Pilot Certificate. |
| Flight Test | A practical and ground-based competency assessment to confirm the candidate meets the requirements of the relevant syllabus of flight training in all respects |
| Flight Training School | A school authorised by the Head of Flight Operations to conduct ground and flight training |
| Flying School | Has the same meaning in this manual as Flight Training School |
| Formation Flight | Two or more aircraft flown in close proximity to each other operating as a single aircraft with regard to navigation, position reporting and control |
| Health Standard | Is the level of health equivalent to that required for a Certificate holder to hold a private motor vehicle driver licence in Australia. |
| Indirect Supervision | The surveillance, assessment and mentoring development of persons providing ground or flight training and associated operations by a means other than the physical presence or personal surveillance of the supervisor to ensure it meets the training and safety requirements of this Manual and the RAAus Syllabus of Flight Training. |
| Licence | A document verifying the attainment of a qualification issued by a government department (e.g. CASA) |
| Maintenance Authority | An authority issued to a suitably qualified person appointed by the RAAus Head of Airworthiness and Maintenance to conduct maintenance on a RAAus aircraft |
| Medical Certificate | A Certificate issued under CASR Subpart 67C |

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| Nose Wheel (Undercarriage) | An aircraft undercarriage configuration utilising a nose wheel |
| Head of Flight Operations | A person appointed by RAAus, whose duties and responsibilities are specified in this manual. This role was formerly known as the National Operations Manager and carries with it all the delegations, duties and responsibilities of its previous title. The HFO is the RAAus departmental head responsible for the Flight Operations Manual. |
| Flight Operations Manual | The RAAus Flight Operations Manual, subsequently referred to as 'this manual' |
| Flight Operations Bulletin | A RAAus flight operations document that defines, describes and/ or supplements the RAAus Flight Operations Manual, normally distributed to RAAus Flight Training Schools. Amendments proposed via Operations Bulletins will be incorporated into subsequent issues |
| Flight Operations Notice | A RAAus flight operations information document, normally distributed to RAAus Flight Training Schools |
| Pilot Certificate | A Certificate issued on successful completion of a RAAus approved pilot training program. Refer to Section 2.07 |
| Pilot Examiner (PE) | A RAAus Senior Instructor, eligible to be a Chief Flying Instructor and approved by the Head of Flight Operations to examine recreational pilots and instructors |
| Pilot in Command (PIC) | For RAAus student and pilot purposes: the person in control of the aircraft when not in the company of an Instructor and referred to as solo flight time |
| Pilot Logbook | A system used to keep an accurate record of a pilot's aeronautical experience and RAAus qualifications |
| Rating | A designation as either Instructor (I) or Senior Instructor (SI). Refer to Section 2.05 |
| RAAus | Means Recreational Aviation Australia as an organisation and unless indicated to the contrary in this document it includes its Officers, Members and Affiliates |
| RAAus Examiner | Means a Senior Instructor, CFI, PE, ROC, Assistant Head of Flight Operations or Head of Flight Operations, within the scope of their privileges, as detailed in this manual. |
| RAAus Instructor | Means a RAAus member who holds a valid Pilot Certificate endorsed with a current Instructor or Senior Instructor Rating that is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - applicable to the aircraft grouping, and - authorises the holder to give flight training in association with an approved FTS |
| Recreational Aircraft | For the purpose of this manual, an aircraft registered with RAAus as defined in CAO 95.10, 95.32, 95.55 and is operated in accordance with this manual |
| Recognised Flight Time | The expression is defined in Section 2.13 of this manual |
| Recognised Qualifications | Are validated Licences, Certificates, Endorsements, Ratings and Approvals and overseas equivalents from RAAus recognised NAAs and |

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| | ASAOs |
| Regional Operations Coordinator | A RAAus member holding a valid Pilot Certificate and eligible to hold a PE Approval, appointed by the Head of Flight Operations |
| Safety-Relevant Condition | A medically significant condition that may adversely impact a person's ability to competently exercise all the privileges of a Pilot Certificate |
| Supervision | The surveillance, assessment and correction of persons engaged in ground or flight training and associated operations. Supervision may be 'direct' in the presence of the supervisor or 'indirect' by the supervisor monitoring the operations through other persons |
| Tail Wheel (Undercarriage) | An aircraft undercarriage configuration utilising a tail wheel |
| Touring Motor Glider | A powered sailplane that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. has an integrally mounted, non-retractable, engine and a non-retractable propeller; and b. is capable of taking off and climbing under its own power according to the touring motor glider's flight manual. |
| Volunteer | A position appointed by RAAus to a RAAus member for a specific purpose. This person may work on a casual contract basis for specific delegated tasks |