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All forms of flight are potentially hazardous. The risks and hazards associated with flying are real and all pilots and potential pilots must be fully aware of the possible risks involved.

All persons participating in recreational flight training and associated recreational aviation do so at their own risk.

Neither CASA nor Recreational Aviation Australia (including its Board and staff), is liable in negligence or otherwise for any loss or damage incurred by anyone because of, or arising out of, the design, construction, restoration, repair, maintenance or operation of CAO 95.10, 95.32 and 95.55 category aircraft, or any act or omission of RAAus done or made in good faith in relation to any of those things.

Civil Aviation Orders (CAO) 95.10, 95.32 and 95.55, as applicable, direct that all recreational aircraft be operated in accordance with the standards and procedures specified in the Recreational Aviation Australia Flight Operations Manual, subsequently referred to as 'this manual'.

This manual and its supplements have been compiled to meet the relevant requirements of the Civil Aviation Act 1988 (CAA), Civil Aviation Regulations 1988 (CAR), Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998 (CASR), CAOs and relevant associated legislation such as the Transport Safety Investigation Act 2003 (TSI Act). This manual is the only manual recognised by RAAus for the control of recreational aircraft operations and related requirements.

This manual is accepted by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) and amendments are effective from the date of acceptance by CASA, which also has the authority to direct that amendments be made and incorporated.

All amendments will be recorded in the Amendment Record Section.

This manual sets out the requirements and procedures to obtain and maintain the following qualifications and approvals:

1. Student or Converting Pilot Certificate
2. Pilot Certificate
3. Endorsements
4. Instructor Rating
5. Senior Instructor Rating
6. Special Approval
7. Deputy Chief Flying Instructor Approval
8. Chief Flying Instructor Approval
9. Pilot Examiner Approval
10. Instructor Trainer Approval (includes Temporary)

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11. Regional Operations Coordinator Approval

12. Flight Training School Approval (includes Satellite Flight Training Schools)

To achieve standardisation of pilot ground and flight training, thus ensuring a high standard of pilot competency, the procedures contained in this manual must be strictly adhered to.

The Head of Flight Operations may, in the interests of the safety of air navigation, apply conditions to the qualifications and approvals listed above in accordance with the RAAus Part 149 Exposition.

General information concerning this manual can be obtained from the Head of Flight Operations, who is also responsible for amendment action, so proposed changes to this manual should be forwarded to that person.

Technical information concerning specific recreational aircraft should be obtained directly from the manufacturer's handbook or by directing enquiries to the manufacturer or designer.

RAAus is the sole authority in regard to the interpretation of all or part of this manual and RAAus' interpretation is final. All decisions made by the HFO in relation to this manual are conducted in accordance with the processes in the current version of the RAAus Operations Department Procedures Manual.

NOTE

The applicable requirements of the Civil Aviation Act (CAA), CARs, CASRs, CAOs, and associated legislation apply to all recreational aircraft, just as they do to other Australian aircraft, except where the RAAus member or a recreational aircraft is specifically exempted from legislation as detailed in CAOs, 95.10, 95.32 or 95.55 (as appropriate) or in CASR Part 200.