

EASA definitions

'Airmanship' means the consistent use of good judgement and well-developed knowledge, skills and attitudes to accomplish flight objectives

'Cross-country' means a flight between a point of departure and a point of arrival following a pre-planned route, using standard navigation procedures.

'Dual instruction time' means flight time or instrument ground time during which a person is receiving flight instruction from a properly authorised instructor.

'Flight time under Instrument Flight Rules' (IFR) means all flight time during which the aircraft is being operated under the Instrument Flight Rules.

'Flight Training Device'

(FTD) means a full size replica of a specific aircraft type's instruments, equipment, panels and controls in an open flight deck area or an enclosed aircraft flight deck, including the assemblage of equipment and computer software programmes necessary to represent the aircraft in ground and flight conditions to the extent of the systems installed in the device. It does not require a force cueing motion or visual system, except in the case of helicopter FTD levels 2 and 3, where visual systems are required.

'Flight and Navigation Procedures Trainer'

(FNPT) means a training device which represents the flight deck or cockpit environment, including the assemblage of equipment and computer programmes necessary to represent an aircraft type or class in flight operations to the extent that the systems appear to function as in an aircraft.

'Flight time':

for helicopters, it means the total time from the moment a helicopter's rotor blades start turning until the moment the helicopter finally comes to rest at the end of the flight, and the rotor blades are stopped;

'Instrument flight time' means the time during which a pilot is controlling an aircraft in flight solely by reference to instruments.

'Instrument ground time' means the time during which a pilot is receiving instruction in simulated instrument flight, in flight simulation training devices (FSTD)

'Instrument time' means instrument flight time or instrument ground time.

'Pilot-in-command' (PIC) means the pilot designated as being in command and charged with the safe conduct of the flight.

'Pilot-in-command under supervision' (PICUS) means a co-pilot performing,

under the supervision of the pilot-in-command, the duties and functions of a pilot-in-command.

'Proficiency check' means the demonstration of skill to revalidate or renew ratings, and including such oral examination as may be required.

'Renewal' (of, e.g. a rating or certificate) means the administrative action taken after a rating or certificate has lapsed for the purpose of renewing the privileges of the rating or certificate for a further specified period consequent upon the fulfilment of specified requirements.

'Revalidation' (of, e.g. a rating or certificate) means the administrative action taken within the period of validity of a rating or certificate which allows the holder to continue to exercise the privileges of a rating or certificate for a further specified period consequent upon the fulfilment of specified requirements.

'Skill test' means the demonstration of skill for a licence or rating issue, including such oral examination as may be required.

'Solo flight time' means flight time during which a student pilot is the sole occupant of an aircraft.

'Student pilot-in-command' (SPIC) means a student pilot acting as pilot-in-command on a flight with an instructor where the latter will only observe the student pilot and shall not influence or control the flight of the aircraft.

'Threat' means events or errors which occur beyond the influence of the flight crew, increase operational complexity and which must be managed to maintain the margin of safety.

'Threat management' means the process of detecting and responding to the threats with countermeasures which reduce or eliminate the consequences of threats, and mitigate the probability of errors or undesired aircraft states.