



REPUBLIC of SAN MARINO CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY

POLICY LETTER No. 01/2025

VALIDATION OF FOREIGN PILOT LICENCES

1. INTRODUCTION

Recent investigations of applications for a San Marino validation of a foreign pilot licence has determined that some ICAO Contracting State's licensing regulations appear not to fully comply with the requirements as laid down in CAR LIC, but meet ICAO Annex 1 standards, specifically in respect to pilot proficiency and medical requirements.

2. ISSUES

In respect to validation of a foreign pilot licence the CAA has a moral and safety responsibility to recognise foreign licences that are compliant with the minimum standards of the ICAO Annex 1 and are equivalent to CAR LIC.

The issue was passed to the Technical Scientific Committee for interpretation and guidance in accordance with the Law Reform Article 10.9. As Director General, I therefore have issued the following policy statement.

3. POLICY

In respect to applications for a San Marino validation of a foreign pilot licence, unless determined that the State of licence issue is not equal to the equivalent standards of ICAO Annex 1 and CAR LIC or adverse advice or findings regarding a State's Annex 1 compliance are received from a National Aviation Authority or ICAO, San Marino will recognise pilot licences issued by a Contracting State, without additional conditions to those stated on the Certificate of Validation.

I decree that FAA CFR 14 Part 61 Certification: Pilots, Flight Instructors and Ground Instructors is to be considered as equivalent to CAR LIC and therefore acceptable for validation purposes, without additional conditions being applied.

Any ICAO Annex 1 Contracting State that has adopted the FAA CFR 14 Part 61 without variation, may also be considered as equivalent to CAR LIC, in this context.

This policy will remain in effect until otherwise amended or cancelled.

Yours truly,



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