

CIVIL AVIATION DIRECTORATE

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Scope

The scope of this document is to provide information on the procedure adopted by the Aero Medical Unit to review competency maintained by approved Aero Medical Examiners under the oversight of TM CAD.

Procedure

In accordance with MED.D.030 (b)(5), AMC1 MED.D.030 and AMC2 ARA.MED.200, AME's are to ensure that they maintain their aero-medical competency in accordance with the procedure detailed hereunder:

CPD information is to be recorded and submitted to the Aeromedical Unit on an annual basis, and as and when required by Transport Malta for review. A CPD Activity Report (TM.CAD.0451) is to be completed by an AME to provide relevant information regarding Aeromedical educational and/or training activities conducted in order to maintain and improve their competency levels. Supporting evidence of completion of these activities needs to be provided with the submission of the log. Activities to be recorded may also include presentations, published research and scientific literature reviews in aeromedicine.

Activities need to be recorded on the CPD Activity Report covering a full calendar year (from 1st January to 31st December). The total hours for each activity will be transposed into equivalent CPD hours.

Performance based oversight of Transport Malta may also include a face-to-face review of a pilot or ATCO medical assessment conducted by the AME. Should this be the case, the AME is responsible for making any necessary arrangements for the organisation of the medical assessment, taking into account the requirements of their relevant Chaperone and Confidentiality Policies that are in place, and in accordance with MED.A.015 and ATCO.MED.A.015.

To meet the requirements established by the AMS Unit for maintaining continued competence, AME's must meet either one of the following requirements:

- A. Engage in a minimum of 30 hours approved CPD within the last 3 years and during the validity of the AME Certificate and at least one medical assessment review (in accordance with the privileges of the AME) by TM-CAD Medical Assessor, or
- B. Engage in a minimum of 36 hours approved CPD within the last 3 years and during the validity of the AME Certificate.
- C. In cases of renewal, if the AME does not meet the above, the CMO may accept 10hrs (or equivalent) approved CPD within the previous year and at least on medical assessment review (in accordance with the privileges of the AME) by TM-CAD Medical Assessor.

Furthermore, the AMS section monitors competence through a continuous assessment process, including but not limited to, a review of medical assessments conducted by the AME. In cases where an increased incidence of errors is observed, an onsite inspection may be conducted, and the Risk Matrix of the oversight program will be reviewed (refer to Section 2.3.2.3)

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In cases where an AME opts to submit their continued competence as per (A) above, and due to unforeseen circumstance does not manage to meet the requirements for the in-person medical assessment physical review, they will have an interview with a TM CAD medical assessor and may be provided with a maximum of a 3 month extension to enable them to obtain any pending requisite CPD hours if required.

Adhoc interviews with a TM CAD medical assessor may also be requested by the authority during the 3-year AME certificate validity period. Such interviews will make up for a maximum of 2hrs CPD over a 3-year period.

Attendance at Aviation and Space Medicine meetings held in the UK may also be credited towards the required annual CPD hours only if an AME does not consider them as part of the accredited hours required for the 3 yearly EASA specific AME refresher training required under GM1 MED.D.030 and MED.D.030 (b).

AEROMEDICAL SECTION