

To: All UK Licensed Pilots

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Dear Sir/Madam

## European legislation for the licensing of pilots

This letter has been sent to you because our records show that you are the holder of a Flight Crew Licence issued by the CAA.

**By means of this letter you are notified that new European legislation is to come into effect on 8th April 2012. This legislation will affect the licence privileges of the majority of pilots who have licences issued by the CAA. In particular, after the transition periods have ended, it will be mandatory for pilots to hold a licence issued under the new Part-FCL to fly any aircraft that has an EASA airworthiness certificate. The medical requirements for flight crew will also be affected.**

Pilots are individually responsible for ensuring that they comply with the law. You must ensure that you are aware of the new legislation in so far as it affects your activities. When the legislation is finalised later this year it will be published by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) on its website: [www.easa.eu.int](http://www.easa.eu.int). To give advance notice of the effects of the new legislation we have placed information on the CAA website. Further information will be added as the European legislative process continues.

For information on pilot licensing go to:

[www.caa.co.uk/eupilotlicensing](http://www.caa.co.uk/eupilotlicensing)

(Or go to [www.caa.co.uk](http://www.caa.co.uk); click on "Safety Regulation", then "EASA" and then "EASA - Licensing & Training Standards").

When available, information on the medical requirements will be published at:

[www.caa.co.uk/medical](http://www.caa.co.uk/medical)

No further letters will be sent on this subject. As the final EU legislation and the associated interpretative and guidance material are not yet available the CAA is unable to answer detailed questions from individuals on how the new legislation will affect their licences. You are strongly advised to check the CAA and EASA websites regularly for new information. Updated information concerning medical requirements will be highlighted under "What's new" in the medical section of the CAA website. When the CAA website information for licensing is added to or revised, this will be highlighted by means of an 'Information Notice'. You may register via the CAA website to be notified by e-mail whenever an 'Information Notice' is issued. To register go to [www.caa.co.uk/subscriptions](http://www.caa.co.uk/subscriptions). This service is free.

Yours faithfully



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