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## **General Exemption**

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### **The issue of a Medical Declaration by a Medical Officer in HM Forces**

- 1) The Civil Aviation Authority ("the CAA") in exercise of its powers under article 242 of the Air Navigation Order 2009 (the "Order"), exempts any holder of a National Private Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes) from the requirement that to exercise the privileges of the licence the holder has either a medical certificate which is valid in accordance with article 72 or a medical declaration which is valid in accordance with article 73.
- 2) This exemption only applies when the licence holder:
  - a) is a serving member of any of Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces ("HM Forces"); and
  - b) has a medical declaration which complies with paragraph 3.
- 3) A medical declaration complies with this paragraph if:
  - a) the licence holder has signed a statement of belief in the declaration that the licence holder meets the medical requirements to fly, having regard to the standards specified by the CAA in the declaration;
  - b) the licence holder reasonably holds that belief;
  - c) the licence holder's Medical Officer is a Medical Officer in HM Forces who is included in the register of General Practitioners maintained by the General Medical Council;
  - d) the licence holder's Medical Officer is authorised to review the licence holder's medical records held by HM Forces;
  - e) the licence holder's Medical Officer has signed a statement in the declaration that, having seen those medical records, the Medical Officer is satisfied that there is nothing in the licence holder's medical history which prevents the licence holder from meeting the medical standards specified in the declaration; and
  - f) the validity period of the declaration has not expired.

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- 4) The validity period of a medical declaration commences on the date it is signed by the Medical Officer and is as specified in the following table.

**Period of validity of medical declaration**

<b>Age of holder at date of signature by MO</b>	<b>Medical declaration validity period</b>
Under 45	Until the holder's 45th birthday or five years whichever is the longer period
45 to 59	5 years
60-64	Until the holder's 65th birthday or one year whichever is the longer period
65 or over	One year

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