# **Communications Department**

External Information Services





6 July 2018

Reference: F0003758

Dear

I am writing in respect of your recent request of 12 June 2018, for the release of information held by the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA).

## Your request:

I would like to request the first time pass rate per subject for the ATPL exams sat under the UK CAA for the years 2013-2014, 2014-2015 2015-2016, 2016-2017 and the year 2017-2018.

I would also like to request the overall pass rate for each year.

### Our response:

Having considered your request in line with the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), we are able to provide the information in the attachment.

The CAA introduced a new system for managing exams in 2014 so the data has been extracted from two different systems, hence the slightly different data formats.

If you are not satisfied with how we have dealt with your request in the first instance you should approach the CAA in writing at:-

Caroline Chalk
Head of External Information Services
Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation House
Gatwick Airport South
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#### **Civil Aviation Authority**

Aviation House Gatwick Airport South Gatwick RH6 0YR. www.caa.co.uk

Telephone: 01293 768512. foi.requests@caa.co.uk

The CAA has a formal internal review process for dealing with appeals or complaints in connection with Freedom of Information requests. The key steps in this process are set in the attachment.

Should you remain dissatisfied with the outcome you have a right under Section 50 of the FOIA to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner at:-

Information Commissioner's Office FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow SK9 5AF https://ico.org.uk/concerns/

If you wish to request further information from the CAA, please use the form on the CAA website at http://publicapps.caa.co.uk/modalapplication.aspx?appid=24.

Yours sincerely

Mark Stevens

External Response Manager

#### CAA INTERNAL REVIEW & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

- The original case to which the appeal or complaint relates is identified and the case file is made available;
- The appeal or complaint is allocated to an Appeal Manager, the appeal is acknowledged and the details of the Appeal Manager are provided to the applicant;
- The Appeal Manager reviews the case to understand the nature of the appeal or complaint, reviews the actions and decisions taken in connection with the original case and takes account of any new information that may have been received. This will typically require contact with those persons involved in the original case and consultation with the CAA Legal Department;
- The Appeal Manager concludes the review and, after consultation with those involved with the case, and with the CAA Legal Department, agrees on the course of action to be taken;
- The Appeal Manager prepares the necessary response and collates any information to be provided to the applicant;
- The response and any necessary information is sent to the applicant, together with information about further rights of appeal to the Information Commissioners Office, including full contact details.

First Time Pass Rates per Subject - FY 2013/2014				
Subject	Pass Rate			
AIR LAW	80.3%			
AIR LAW (H)	76.6%			
AIRFRAMES/SYSTEMS/POWER PLANT	77.9%			
AIRFRAMES/SYSTEMS/POWER PLANT (H)	65.7%			
INSTRUMENTATION	69.6%			
INSTRUMENTATION (H)	66.8%			
MASS AND BALANCE	58.8%			
MASS AND BALANCE (H)	72.5%			
PERFORMANCE	49.2%			
FLIGHT PLANNING AND MONITORING	71.0%			
FLIGHT PLANNING AND MONITORING (H)	80.1%			
PERFORMANCE (H)	98.0%			
HUMAN PERFORMANCE	86.9%			
HUMAN PERFORMANCE (H)	92.1%			
METEOROLOGY	58.5%			
METEOROLOGY (H)	62.6%			
GENERAL NAVIGATION	62.8%			
GENERAL NAVIGATION (H)	62.1%			
RADIO NAVIGATION	78.5%			
RADIO NAVIGATION (H)	70.5%			
OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES	92.7%			
OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES (H)	91.9%			
PRINCIPLES OF FLIGHT (AERO)	52.1%			
PRINCIPLES OF FLIGHT (HELI)	45.6%			
VFR COMMUNICATION	97.9%			
VFR COMMUNICATION (H)	98.0%			
IFR COMMUNICATION	97.1%			
IFR COMMUNICATION (H)	96.8%			

Overall Pass				
Rate2013/14				
Passed	81%			
Failed	19%			

Subject	2014/2015	2015/2016	2016/2017
10AA: 010 Air Law	85%	84%	76%
21AA: 021 Airframe/Systems/Power Plant/Electrics	84%	81%	84%
22AA: 022 Aircraft General Knowledge - Instrumentation	74%	80%	76%
31AA: 031 Mass & Balance	75%	82%	76%
32AA: 032 Performance (Aeroplane)	67%	69%	60%
33AA: 033 Flight Planning and Monitoring	76%	85%	75%
40AA: 040 Human Performance and Limitations	91%	86%	78%
50AA: 050 Meteorology	64%	70%	71%
61AA: 061 General Navigation	73%	68%	74%
62AA: 062 Radio Navigation	83%	86%	87%
71AA: 071 Operational Procedures	89%	84%	81%
81AA: 081 Principles of Flight (A)	59%	62%	62%
91AA: 091 VFR Communications	96%	95%	91%
92AA: 092 IFR Communications	95%	95%	93%
Overall Pass Rate%	89%	88%	86%

<sup>\*</sup>Please note the 2017/2018 FY 62AA includes the PBN subject

# 2017/2018 76% 81% 74% 72% 65% 66% 75% 68% 77% 82%\* 78% 65% 89% 92% 85%