

CAA SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTIONS

1 APRIL 2019 TO 31 MARCH 2020



DEFENDANT	BRIEF DESCRIPTION	DATE	COURT	SENTENCE
PAUL HOLROYD	<p>In 2017, Paul Holroyd flew a Falcon 2000 aircraft on 40 flights into or out of the UK. The company he worked for believed he held a type rating for that aircraft - he had documents purporting to show that he had qualified for the rating - but Mr Holroyd's type rating had expired in September 2016.</p> <p>Mr Holroyd pleaded guilty to acting as pilot of the Falcon 2000 on 40 flights without holding an appropriate licence.</p>	01/05/2019	Oxford Crown Court	3 months imprisonment suspended for 12 months
SIMON COE	<p>On 17 November 2018, Simon Coe was the pilot of a Cessna 152 which flew through the RAF Syerston aerodrome traffic zone. Winch-launched gliders were operating from Syerston. The pilot of a glider at 1100 feet saw the Cessna flying towards him and rolled away to create distance. The Cessna passed about 200 feet to the left of the glider.</p> <p>Mr Coe pleaded guilty to flying within the ATZ without obtaining information from the air/ground service and guilty to not maintaining a watch on the appropriate radio frequency.</p>	03/07/2019	Nottingham Magistrates' Court	Fine £2,400
PRINCEPREET SANDHU	Princepreet Sandhu was a licensed aircraft engineer working for an airline. On two occasions, he presented forged certificates purporting to show that he had passed aircraft engineering examinations in order that he could obtain additional qualifications.	20/08/2019	Isleworth Crown Court	6 months imprisonment suspended for 12 months.

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	Mr Sandhu was convicted after trial of two offences of making a false representation for the purpose of obtaining for himself a category B1 aircraft engineer licence.			
JONATHAN CLARK	<p>Mr Clark disclosed that he had been receiving medical treatment and taking medication for a particular condition, as a consequence of which the CAA suspended his medical certificate. Inquiries then revealed Mr Clark had an extensive medical history that he had not declared at his aero-medical examinations and that he had acted as a pilot after his medical certification was suspended.</p> <p>Mr Clark pleaded guilty to two offences of making a false representation to obtain an aviation medical certificate and two specimen offences of acting as pilot without holding an appropriate pilot's licence.</p>	26/09/2019	Cambridge Magistrates' Court	Fine £4,000
MARTIN LISKA	On 31 March 2019, Martin Liska was the pilot of a Piper PA28 aircraft on a flight from Bourn to Old Warden. He entered class D controlled airspace, the Luton CTR, without air traffic control clearance and crossed the runway 08 climb-out lane at 1900 feet. Air traffic controllers made blind radio calls and turned the Luton airport runway lights on and off to alert Mr Liska. Luton departures were stopped for 15-20 minutes. An aircraft on final approach was instructed to go around, two inbound passenger aircraft were broken-off their	08/10/2019	Luton Magistrates' Court	Fine £1,400

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	<p>approach and three inbound passenger aircraft were rerouted.</p> <p>Mr Liska pleaded guilty to operating in class D airspace without air traffic control clearance.</p>			
JOEL TOBIAS	<p>On 31 July 2019, Joel Tobias was the pilot of a Eurocopter EC120 helicopter. Air traffic control at Blackpool airport responded to a call from Mr Tobias with 'standby' because they were dealing with a number of aircraft, including a possible lost aircraft. When Mr Tobias called ATC again, he complained of waiting and said he would route around the aerodrome traffic zone. He then said he was entering the ATZ and proceeded to do so despite being told by ATC to remain outside.</p> <p>Mr Tobias pleaded guilty to one offence of flying with the Blackpool ATZ without having obtained the permission of the air traffic control unit.</p>	09/01/2020	Manchester Magistrates' Court	Fine £1,600
MATTHEW MORRIS	<p>On 1 June 2019, Matthew Morris was the pilot of an Agusta A109 helicopter which flew through the RAF Ternhill aerodrome traffic zone. Winch-launched glider flights were taking place. The pilot of a glider which was launching saw the helicopter on a converging course path, released the cable and made a left turn. After the turn, the glider pilot saw the helicopter on the starboard side flying in the same direction and 500 feet away horizontally. The pilot wagged the glider's wings to alert</p>	27/01/2020	Telford Magistrates' Court	Fine £4,000

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	<p>the helicopter to the glider's presence, but the helicopter did not deviate from its path. Later the same day, Mr Morris flew through the Ternhill ATZ again.</p> <p>Mr Morris pleaded guilty to two offences of flying within the ATZ without obtaining information from the air/ground service and guilty to two offences of not maintaining a watch on the appropriate radio frequency.</p>			
BRADLEY GOSNEY	<p>Bradley Gosney applied for a class 1 medical certificate so that he could train and qualify as a commercial pilot. He did not declare his medical history at his aero-medical examination.</p> <p>Mr Gosney pleaded guilty to two counts of making a false representation to obtain an aviation medical certificate.</p>	11/02/2020	Preston Crown Court	2 year community order
DAVID HOARE	<p>In May and July 2019, David Hoare was the pilot of a paramotor aircraft which flew low along Brean beach and over the Esplanade and Pavilion at Burnham-on-Sea.</p> <p>Mr Hoare pleaded guilty to three charges of low flying.</p>	17/02/2020	Taunton Magistrates' Court	Fine £450 Restraining Order 3 years.