

# Examiner Report for Part-BFCL Balloon Pilot Licence (BPL) Commercial Operation Rating (Gas Balloon Class)



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## FALSE REPRESENTATION STATEMENT

It is an offence under the UK Air Navigation Order to make, with intent to deceive, any false representation for the purpose of procuring the grant, issue, renewal or variation of any certificate, licence, approval, permission or other document. This offence is punishable on summary conviction by a fine and on conviction on indictment with an unlimited fine or imprisonment or both.

## 1. APPLICANT DETAILS

To be completed by the Examiner and signed by the Applicant

CAA Personal reference number:

Title: ..... Forename: ..... Surname: .....

Skill Test Proficiency Check

Series: ..... Attempt: ..... Date: ..... Place of Test: .....

I confirm I have requested the Test as detailed above (applicant's signature)

## 2. FLIGHT TEST

To be completed by the Examiner

Route:					
Aircraft Type and Reg:		Take Off Time:	Landing Time:	Flight Time:	
Test Sections:	1	2	3	4	5
Sections to be taken:					
Result:					
(a)					
(b)					
(c)					
(d)					
(e)					
(f)		N/A			N/A
(g)		N/A			N/A
(h)		N/A	N/A		N/A
(i)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Re-test Sections:					
Test Sections incomplete due:					
Items not completed:					
Re-training required/recommended:					
Pass	Partial Pass		Fail		
I have received information from the applicant regarding their experience and instruction and certify that this complies with the requirements of Part-BFCL.					
Examiner's Name:			Examiner's No:		
Examiner's Signature:			Date:		
Received by Applicant (signature):			Date:		

Copies of the report shall be submitted to:

(1) The Applicant  
(3) The Examiner

(2) The CAA

## Civil Aviation Authority Regulation 6

Regulation 6(5) of the Civil Aviation Authority Regulations 1991 provides as follows: Any person who has failed any test or examination which he is required to pass before he is granted or may exercise the privileges of a personnel licence may within 14 days of being notified of his failure request that the Authority determine whether the test or examination was properly conducted.

## Skill test contents for the BPL Commercial Operation Rating for the gas balloon class (AMC1 BFCL.215 (b)(4)(c)(2))

Note: Use of checklist(s), airmanship, control of balloon by external visual reference, look-out procedures, etc. apply in all sections.

<b>SECTION 1: PRE-FLIGHT OPERATIONS, INFLATION AND TAKE-OFF</b>	
a	Pre-flight documentation (licence, medical certificate, permits to take off, insurance certificate, aeronautical charts, aircraft flight manual (AFM), logbook, technical logbook, checklists, etc.), flight planning, NOTAM(s) and weather briefing, knowledge of Part-BOP
b	Balloon inspection and servicing, minimum equipment list (MEL)
c	Suitability of launch site
d	Load calculation
e	Crowd control, crew and passenger briefings
f	Assembly and layout
g	Inflation and pre-take-off procedures including passenger involvement and briefing
h	Take-off
i	ATC compliance (if applicable), operation of radio and/or transponder (including emergency procedures)

<b>SECTION 2: GENERAL AIRWORK</b>	
a	Climb to level flight
b	Level flight
c	Descent to level flight
d	Operating at low level
e	ATC compliance (if applicable)

<b>SECTION 3: EN-ROUTE PROCEDURES</b>	
a	Dead reckoning and map reading
b	Marking positions and time
c	Orientation and airspace structure
d	Maintenance of altitude
e	Ballast management
f	Communication with retrieve crew and passengers
g	ATC compliance (if applicable)

<b>SECTION 4: APPROACH AND LANDING PROCEDURES</b>	
a	Approach from low level, missed approach and fly on: Passenger briefing and execution of exercise
b	Approach from high level, missed approach and fly on: Passenger briefing and execution of exercise
c	Pre-landing checks
d	Passenger pre-landing briefing
e	Selection of landing field
f	Final passenger briefing, landing, dragging and deflation
g	ATC compliance (if applicable)
h	Actions after flight (recording of the flight, closing flight plan (if applicable), briefing passengers for packing balloon, contact landowner)

<b>SECTION 5: ABNORMAL AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES</b>	
This section may be combined with Sections 1 through 4.	
a	Simulated closed appendix during take-off and climb
b	Simulated parachute or valve failure
c	Simulated passenger health problems
d	Other abnormal and emergency procedures as outlined in the appropriate flight manual
e	Oral questions