

# General Aviation Pilot Licensing Review Phase 2: Gyroplanes

Summary of planned changes

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# Introduction

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This document contains a summary of key changes in the gyroplane category that will result from the pilot licensing and training simplification project.

Full details of the proposals can be found in [CAP 2974G](#) and associated decisions in our Consultation Response Document (CRD) [CAP 3032G](#). For more information on project background, please visit the [GA webpages](#).

## Next steps

Note that changes are yet to be passed into legislation. We anticipate this taking place in Spring 2025; however, actual timelines are still to be confirmed with the Department for Transport.

In some areas, we need to develop appropriate Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC), Guidance Material (GM) and other CAA publications (CAPs) to support the planned changes to regulation. These will be consulted on in late 2024 or early 2025.

The CAA will communicate implementation times and the details of any transitional arrangements as soon as they are known.

Due to resource constraints in the legislative programme, any changes to the Theoretical knowledge examinations for gyroplanes will not be progressed until 2025, with implementation planned for 2026.

Further details of changes in these areas will be communicated in the future.

## Chapter 1

# Summary of changes

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### Differences training

- 1.1 Clarification of the differences training requirements will be incorporated in Standards Document 44 (SD44).
- 1.2 We will look to include these differences training requirements in the Air Navigation Order 2016 (ANO), therefore making them mandatory.

### Crediting for other categories

- 1.3 Previously, there were credits available to Private Pilot Licence (Gyroplane), (PPL(G)) holders, in CAP 804, towards gaining a National Private Pilot Licence (NPPL).
- 1.4 These credits were available for both theoretical knowledge examinations as well as flight training.
- 1.5 We will be drafting Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) or a new CAA publication (CAP) to incorporate these credits.

### Instructor supervision

- 1.6 The CAA will amend the wording in the ANO with respects of the supervision of restricted Flight Instructor Gyroplane (FI(G)).
- 1.7 This will allow some flexibility for restricted FI(G) holders in gaining the experience to remove the restriction.
- 1.8 It will also allow flexibility for the supervising instructor by allowing flights within the local area. Local area will be defined in SD44.

### Maintaining privileges

- 1.9 No changes at this time.

### ATO requirement for FIC

- 1.10 We will amend CAP1667, with support from the Gyroplane Working Group, to change the requirements for a training organisation offering a Flight Instructor (Gyroplanes) course to comply with requirements similar to a Declared Training Organisation (DTO).
- 1.11 We will release a consultation on those changes in due course.

## **PPL Exams**

- 1.12 We will commence a project with CAA's examination delivery partner to be able to offer the PPL(G) theoretical knowledge examinations through the eExam system.
- 1.13 We will work with the community to develop the necessary learning objectives and question bank for the examinations.
- 1.14 As the delivery of this will take time. We will update the existing Air Law and Gyroplane Technical examinations and reformat the current set of NPPL(A) with Microlight Class Rating examinations and send these to the Ground Examiners for Gyroplanes.
- 1.15 We will also update Standards Document 11, with these new examination details.