

Exemption Notification Article 71(1)

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Article 71(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1139

Exemption with duration (cumulative) up to 8 months Notification Form

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Notifying State		
Member or Associated State / National Authority	LV	
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Exemption		
Title	Covid19 - outbreak: Extension of validity periods for medical certificates/report for aircrew.	
Domain	ACW - Aircrew	
Exemption Requirements	Related Regulation	Commission Regulation (EU) No 1178/2011
	Sub-part	Part-MED - Medical Requirements for Aircrew
	Exemption requirements	-points MED.A.045; MED.C.030 of Annex IV (Part-MED)
Repetitive Exemption	No, duration up to 8 months	
Duration of exemption	2020-03-20 to 2020-11-19	

Summary of the exemption

Subject to fulfilling the applicable mitigating conditions as specified in this Exemption (see field "Summary of mitigations"), with regard to Part-MED Class 1 medical certificates, CC medical reports issued by the CAA of Republic of Latvia, all of the following shall apply:

- a) Medical Certificates and Reports issued in accordance with Annex IV (Part-MED) to Regulation (EU) No 2011/1178 provided that the regular validity period of a certificate expires from 20 March 2020 till 31 July 2020, that validity period is extended by 4 months, in the case of:
- 1. Class 1 medical certificates as per point MED.A.045 of Part-MED, except medical certificates with limitation codes Operational multi-pilot limitation OML, Specific regular medical examination(s) contact the medical assessor of the licensing authority SIC, Special restriction as specified SSL, and Limited period of validity of the medical certificate TML), of holders of the ratings and certificates specified in point (i) above
- 2. Medical reports of cabin crew as per point MED.C.030 of Part-MED, except medical reports with limitation codes as:
- a restriction to operate only in multi-cabin crew operations MCL,
- a requirement to undergo the next aero-medical examination and assessment at an earlier date TML,
- a requirement to undergo specific medical examination(s) SIC, and
- special restriction as specified SSL..

If, towards the end of the 4-month period specified in point (1), the competent authority considers that the reasons for granting this Exemption still apply, the validity period of the rating or certificate may be further extended for a period of up to 4 months or the end of the application of this Exemption, whichever comes first.

Reasons for granting it	Urgent unforseeable circumstances		



The COVID-19 outbreak has resulted in drastic travel restrictions and closure of borders between a majority of States.

- Holders of Part-MED Class 1 medical certificates who are required to undergo a recurrent medical examination to revalidate their Class 1 medical to continue to exercise their licence or certificate privileges on behalf of their operator are not able to timely reach or gain access to an aeromedical examiner (AME) or aeromedical centre (AeMC) to complete the necessary medical examination. In addition, in many cases medical examiners have been reassigned to support the COVID-19 outbreak in their State. This would result in expiry of said certificates. Due to safety reasons this exemption does not apply to holders of medical certificates with limitation codes as:
- i) Operational multi-pilot limitation OML,
- ii) Specific regular medical examination(s) contact the medical assessor of the licensing authority SIC,
- iii) Special restriction as specified SSL, and
- iv) Limited period of validity of the medical certificate TML.
- Holders of a cabin crew medical report as per Annex IV (Part-MED) to Regualtion 1178/2011 who are required to undergo a recurrent aero-medical assessment, in accordance with the applicable requirements of Part-MED, are not able to undergo aero-medical assessment. Due to safety reasons this exemption does not apply to holders of medical reports with limitation codes as:
- i) a restriction to operate only in multi-cabin crew operations MCL,
- ii) a requirement to undergo the next aero-medical examination and assessment at an earlier date TML, iii) a requirement to undergo specific medical examination(s) SIC. and
- iv) special restriction as specified SSL.

Urgent operational needs

As a result of the aforementioned unforeseen circumstances, it is needed to apply this exemption to said holders of European certificates and reports.

This Exemption aims to reduce the severity of the disruptions that would otherwise occur due to non-availability of a sufficient number of flight crew members to operate on behalf of said organisations, as well as resource shortage at the level of the Competent Authority.

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Summary of mitigating	Safety,	A) Safety:
measures	environmental protection	Part-MED Class 1 medical certificate (without limitations as OML, SIC, SSL, TML) holders benefitting from this exemption shall hold a valid Class 1 medical certificate without restrictions, except visual ones. Part-MED cabin crew medical report (without limitations as MCL, TML, SIC, SSL) holders benefiting from this exemption shall hold a valid cabin crew medical report without limitations, except visual ones B)The circumstances and needs addressed by the exemption do not have an impact on environment.
	Market distortion	Due to the exceptional circumstances affecting all EU Member States, and given its limited duration, the exemption does not have a distorting effect on the market conditions.
	Essential requirements	N/A
Type of Operation	N/A	
Non-approved	N/A	
change/repair		

Concerned Entity(ies)		
Concerned entity	Organisation	
Concerned entity details	Holder of Class 1 medical certificates and Cabin Crew medical report issued by AeMC and AME on behalf of the CAA of Republic of Latvia in accordance with the Regulations specified above in the field "Exempted requirements".	
Product	N/A	

Attached Documentation	
MS Original Granting	Exemption_MED.pdf
Document	