

Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority

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Flight Safety Notification OPERATIONS

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Approved Training Organizations (ATO)

Reason for Revision

Not Applicable

Introduction

Previous to this Flight Safety Notification (FSN), the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority has maintained a policy of requiring all ATOs conducting pilot training to carry out training from initial entry through to the Level 1 Flight Training Unit using an aircraft or Level 2 Flight Training Unit using simulation media approved by the Authority.

The Authority has taken note of the request from industry to allow ATOs to accept applicants who wish to enrol as students, for the purpose of qualifying to apply for a student pilot's licence.

The Authority therefore uses this FSN to advise ATOs of this change in policy thereby enabling students to pursue aeronautical knowledge training and testing under a JCAA approved Ground School Training Program.

The Authority also uses this FSN to advise ATOs and entities wishing to be certified beyond conducting Ground School Training for the issue of a Student Pilot's Licence, to do so in writing to the Authority.

References

Civil Aviation Regulations 2012 - Regulation 48

Civil Aviation Regulations 2012 - Ninth Schedule

Applicability

This Flight Safety Notification is applicable to all Approved Training Organizations conducting pilot training. The notification is also applicable to entities interested in becoming Approved Training Organizations to conduct pilot training.

Effectivity

This Flight Safety Notification becomes effective May 20, 2019.

Definitions

Flight Training Unit - FTU - An approved training organization carrying out any flight training course approved by the Authority for the issuance of a licence or rating.

Level 1 Flight Training Unit - A Flight Training facility which conducts all or substantially all of each flight training course using an aircraft.

Level 2 Flight Training Unit - A Flight Training facility which conducts all or substantially all of each flight training course using simulation media which are qualified and approved by the Authority.

Ground School - Course administered by an ATO that prepares a student to meet the regulatory requirements of holding a student pilot's licence.

Student Pilot - A person who meets the regulatory requirements to hold a student pilot's licence and may conduct flights under the instructions of an authorized flight instructor.

Action

All ATOs and entities wishing to be certified as ATOs shall take note of the change in policy of the Jamaica Civil Aviation Authority to allow for the provision of courses for ground school only by certified ATOs.

All ATOs and entities wishing to be certified as ATOs to conduct ground school only training shall make note of paragraph 9.045 (a) of the Ninth Schedule of the Civil Aviation Regulations 2012 regarding advertising limitations. ATOs conducting ground school only training must inform potential students that this training will enable them to be eligible to meet the regulatory requirements for a student pilot's licence only, and can be taken no further in acquiring additional pilot privileges.

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