

Employment of Machines.

22. (1) A machine may be employed, in any given flight, solely for the purpose of one of the subdivisions in which it is classified on its certificate of airworthiness, provided that in that flight all requirements (including those in respect of the equipment and operation of the machine) which attach to the subdivision concerned are complied with.

(2) A machine may be employed, in any given flight, for the purpose of more than one of the subdivisions in which it is classified, on its certificate of airworthiness, provided that in that flight all requirements (including those in respect of the equipment and operation of the machine) which are common to the subdivisions concerned are complied with, and in cases where differences occur between the requirements attached to the subdivisions in question the highest standard is satisfied.

(3) In the event of its being desired to use a machine for purposes of subdivisions other than those stated on its certificate of airworthiness, an application for reclassification should be forwarded to the Controller of Civil Aviation, Defence, Wellington, prior to the machine being used for such purposes. The existing certificate of airworthiness will then be endorsed, or a new certificate issued, if it can be shown that all requirements in respect of the proposed new classification are satisfied.

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23. In this Schedule, unless the context otherwise implies, the term "aircraft" includes the aircraft and all equipment, and the term "flying-machine" includes the flying-machine and all equipment.

SECTION IV.—LICENSING OF GROUND ENGINEERS.

24. Licences to competent persons for the purposes of this Schedule shall be granted by the Minister, on compliance with the conditions prescribed in the following paragraphs of this Schedule and in Schedule V. Any such person may be the owner, or in the service of the owner, of an aircraft.

25. The procedure for the issue of licences to persons desirous of being licensed as competent persons for the inspection and maintenance of aircraft in accordance with this Schedule and for other purposes in connection with the regulations as is set out below. Persons so licensed are hereinafter referred to as "ground engineers."

26. A candidate may apply to be licensed as a ground engineer in any or all of the following categories:—

- A.—Inspection and maintenance of aircraft before flight.
- B.—Inspection of aircraft after overhaul.
- C.—Inspection and maintenance of aero-engines before flight.
- D.—Inspection of aero-engines after overhaul.
- X.—Other duties, as specified in the licence, which, under these regulations, are required to be performed by a licensed ground engineer.

27. In order to qualify for the issue of a ground engineer's licence, a candidate—

- (a) Must not be under twenty-one years of age;
- (b) Must pass an examination held by representatives of the Minister; and
- (c) Must produce satisfactory proof of practical experience or knowledge in accordance with paragraph 29 below.

28. Syllabuses of the examinations for the various categories may be obtained on application to the Controller of Civil Aviation, Defence, Wellington.

29. (1) As regards licences in categories A, B, C, and D, a candidate will normally be required to have had at least two years' satisfactory practical experience—

- (i) On aircraft construction and/or maintenance in the case of an application for a licence in Category A and/or Category B;
- (ii) On aero-engine construction and/or maintenance in the case of an application for a licence in Category C and/or Category D.

(2) As regards licences in Category X, a candidate will be required to have had such practical experience as will enable him to perform satisfactorily the duties for which the licence is required:

Provided, however, that in lieu of such two years' practical experience, proof may be accepted that the candidate has otherwise acquired adequate knowledge of the construction or maintenance of aircraft or aero-engines as the case may require.

30. Where a candidate's experience or knowledge is limited to any particular type or types of aircraft or engine, a licence may be granted in respect of such type or types only.

31. Applications for licences should be made to the Controller of Civil Aviation, Defence, Wellington, by whom application forms will be supplied on demand. After forwarding to the Controller of Civil Aviation a completed form, the applicant will be advised regarding time and place of examination.

32. Aircraft, engines, &c., certified by licensed ground engineers, and work performed by them within the terms of their licences, will be periodically examined by a person or persons duly authorized by the Minister who reserves the right to cancel, suspend, or endorse the licences of the ground engineers concerned should it appear to him, as a result of the examination, that such certification or work has not been carried out in a careful and competent manner.

33. The Minister may cancel, suspend, or endorse the licence of a ground engineer who signs a certificate in a category for which he is not licensed.

34. The Minister may, after due inquiry, cancel, suspend, or endorse the licence of a ground engineer in circumstances other than those specified in paragraphs 32 and 33.

35. Ground engineers' licences will be valid for a period of twelve months, and will then be subject to renewal. The Minister may re-examine the candidate for renewal if considered necessary.