

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES
Office of the Director General

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 22-12, Series of 2012

TO : ALL PHILIPPINE LICENSED PILOTS/CONCERNED
FROM : THE DIRECTOR GENERAL
CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES
SUBJECT : CONVERSION OF ALL AIRMEN LICENSES TO PLASTIC
IDENTIFICATION CARD

REFERENCES:

1. Paragraph (o), Section 3 of RA No. 9497 – Definition of Terms - "Airman license" refers to a written authorization or permission issued to any person for the exercise of the privileges of flying, maintaining, controlling, directing, dispatching, instructing or any other civil aviation activity which is regulated and supervised by the Authority.
2. Section 35 (c) – Powers of the Director General - To issue airman's certificate specifying the capacity in which the holder thereof is authorized to serve as airman in connection with aircraft and shall be issued only upon the finding that the applicant is properly qualified and physically able to perform the duties of the position. The certificate shall contain such *terms, conditions and limitations* (italics supplied) as the Director General may determine to be necessary to assure safety in air commerce: Provided, however, That the airman's license shall be issued only to qualified persons who are citizens of the Philippines or qualified citizens of countries granting similar rights and privileges to citizens of the Philippines;

COVERAGE/APPLICABILITY:

The following CAAP Regulations are applicable to all authorizations and licenses issued by the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP).

These regulations/guidelines are applicable to all foreign pilots holding a valid and current CAAP pilot license/authorization and for those applying for conversion of a foreign pilot license.

GUIDELINES/PROCEDURES

1. The Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines shall fully implement the new "Plastic Identification Card for Airmen" effective 29 October 2012;
2. For foreign-based Philippine registered/licensed airmen whose CAAP license is still valid and effective after 29 October 2012, the new "Plastic Identification Card" shall be given upon renewal;

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3. For Philippine-based registered/licensed pilots, the deadline for applying for a new "Plastic Identification Card for Airmen" shall be 30 March 2013, after this date, non-converted license shall be deemed expired;
4. For all other CAAP-issued authorization/licenses to other airmen such as air traffic controllers, aircraft mechanics, flight operation officers and such other CAAP authorized/licensed individual involved in aviation, the deadline for applying for a new "Plastic Identification Card for Airmen" shall be 30 March 2013, non-converted license shall likewise be deemed expired;
5. The validity period for the new "Plastic Identification Card for Airmen" shall be for five (5) years reckoned from date of issuance, subject to the yearly/bi-annual renewal of rating and medical certificate;


The Chief, Air Traffic Service shall publish this Memorandum Circular in the Philippine Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP).

All orders and/or memoranda in conflict herewith are hereby rescinded. This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately after compliance with the single publication in a newspaper of general circulation and a copy filed with the UP Law Center - Office of the Administrative Register (ONAR), UP Diliman, Quezon City.

Signed and approved this 25 October 2012, CAAP, Pasay City.


for
LT GEN WILLIAM K HOTCHKISS III AFP (Ret)

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