

PEL Notice No. 47

Obligation to carry and present documents
Reference Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011



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This notice is intended to bring to the attention of pilots, student pilots and pilot training organisations the legal requirement to carry and present documents and also to highlight the limitations to medical certificates.

Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011 Part-FCL states:

FCL.045 Obligation to carry and present documents

- (a) A valid licence and a valid medical certificate shall always be carried by the pilot when exercising the privileges of the licence.
- (b) The pilot shall also carry a personal identification document containing his/her photo.
- (c) A pilot or a student pilot shall without undue delay present his/her flight time record for inspection upon request by an authorised representative of a competent authority.
- (d) A student pilot shall carry on all solo cross-country flights evidence of the authorisation required by FCL.020(a).
- (e) A pilot intending to fly outside Union territory on an aircraft registered in a Member State other than the one that issued the flight crew licence shall carry, in print or in electronic format, the latest issue of the ICAO attachment, which includes a reference to the ICAO registration number of the agreement that recognises the automatic validation of licences, as well as the list of States which are party to this agreement.

FCL.020 Student pilot

- (a) A student pilot shall not fly solo unless authorised to do so and supervised by a flight instructor.

Pilots flying without carrying the required documents, even on local flights, are in breach of the regulations and may be subject to enforcement action.

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The following abbreviations are the limitation codes that can be found on medical certificates as applicable:

Code	Limitation
TML	Limited period of validity of the medical certificate
VDL	Valid only with correction for defective distant vision
VML	Valid only with correction for defective distant, intermediate and near vision
VNL	Valid only with correction for defective near vision
CCL	Correction by means of contact lenses
VCL	Valid by day only
RXO	Specialist ophthalmological examination(s)
SIC	Specific medical examination(s)
HAL	Valid only when hearing aids are worn
APL	Valid only with approved prosthesis
AHL	Valid only with approved hand controls
OML	Valid only as, or with, a qualified co-pilot
OCL	Valid only as a qualified co-pilot
OSL	Valid only with a safety pilot and in aircraft with dual controls
OPL	Valid only without passengers
ORL	Valid only with a safety pilot if passengers are carried
OAL	Restricted to demonstrated aircraft type
SSL	Special restriction(s) as specified

Pilots infringing the limitations of their medical certificate may be subject to enforcement action.

Personnel Licensing Section