



Miscellaneous

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General Exemption E 4267

Exemption to permit pilots with valid single engine aeroplane class ratings to fly the Colomban MC 12 and MC 15 Cri-Cri

- 1) The Civil Aviation Authority, in exercise of its powers under Article 266 of the Air Navigation Order 2016 (the Order), exempts any person specified in paragraph 2 subject to the conditions specified in paragraph 3 from the requirement at Article 137 of the Order to hold an appropriate licence in order to act as pilot in command of Colomban MC 12 and MC 15 Cri-Cri aeroplanes ('Colomban Cri-Cri').
- 2) The specified persons are:
 - a) the holder of a valid United Kingdom Private, Commercial or Airline Transport Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes) that includes a valid single engine piston (land) or valid Simple Single Engine Aeroplane (SSEA) class rating;
 - b) the holder of a valid National Private Pilot's Licence (Aeroplanes) granted by the Civil Aviation Authority that includes a valid SSEA class rating;
 - c) the holder of an aeroplane pilot licence issued in accordance with Commission Regulation (EU) No. 1178/2011 as amended ('the Aircrew Regulation') that includes valid privileges to act as pilot in command of a single engine piston landplane.
- 3) The conditions are that a specified person shall:
 - a) before first acting as pilot in command of a Colomban Cri-Cri either:
 - i) hold or have held a class or type rating for a multi engine aeroplane; or
 - ii) complete at least 1 hour of asymmetric training in a multi engine piston aeroplane with a Flight Instructor or Class Rating Instructor qualified in accordance with the Order or the Aircrew Regulation to instruct for the multi engine piston (land) class rating;and
 - b) before exceeding 5 flights as pilot in command of a Colomban Cri-Cri demonstrate to a Flight Examiner or Class Rating Examiner, qualified in accordance with the Order or the Aircrew Regulation to examine for the multi engine piston class rating and observing from the aerodrome, a satisfactory entry to the circuit, approach and landing in the Colomban Cri-Cri aeroplane with one engine idling and the other at the power setting that is necessary to follow the appropriate flight path;
and
- c) have the entry in their personal flying log for the demonstration at (b) certified as satisfactorily completed by the Flight Examiner or Class Rating Examiner who observed it.

- 4) This exemption supersedes Official Record Series 4 No. 1031, which is revoked.
- 5) This exemption has effect from 25 August 2016, until revoked.

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Explanatory Note:

The Colombar Cri-Cri is a small single-seat lightweight (less than 200 kgs) fixed wing twin engine landplane each engine being of up to 18 horsepower mounted on pillars in front of and on either side of the cockpit. Despite its small size, the aeroplane is not a microlight aeroplane (as defined in the Order) by virtue of wing loading and stall speed exceeding microlight limits.

While the Cri-Cri is a multi engine aeroplane that in pilot licensing terms falls within the multi engine piston (land) class rating, it has been determined that its characteristics following the failure of one engine are sufficiently benign that pilots with valid privileges to fly single engine aeroplanes and experience of asymmetric flight in conventional multi-engine aeroplanes may also fly the Cri-Cri subject to complying with the conditions specified in this exemption.

Having complied with the conditions of this exemption, a pilot may continue to fly the Cri-Cri as pilot in command as long as the appropriate privileges to fly single engine aeroplanes are maintained. It is not necessary for any application to be made to the CAA before or after complying with the conditions of this exemption.

The holder of a valid aeroplane pilot licence that includes a valid aircraft rating entitling the holder to act as pilot in command of multi engine piston landplanes is entitled within the privileges of such a rating to act as pilot in command of the Cri-Cri. The CAA nevertheless recommends that the pilot thoroughly familiarise themselves with the characteristics of the aeroplane before doing so.

Experience accumulated whilst flying the Cri-Cri shall be treated as having been accrued in a single-engine aeroplane for licensing purposes.