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Subject: WITHDRAWAL/REINSTATEMENT OF TRAINER APPROVAL

1. Background

Training Captains are approved for various operators under the provisions of CAR Section 7, Series I, Part I/II/III/IV. The CAR stipulates that training Captains should be free from prejudices, strong likes and dislikes, capable of recording fair assessment and shall have balanced attitude towards air crew and also should have incident/accident free record and should not have failed in any proficiency checks as per provisions of CAR. However, there are instances when training Captains (DEs/Examiners/Instructor/Check Pilot/LTC) may be found involved in incidents/accidents or have failed in breath analyzer test or may be prejudiced in assessment of a trainee or may have failed in an assessment/proficiency check or may have acted in contravention to laid down standards or may have exercised the privileges of approval without meeting qualification requirements.

2. In view of the above, following actions are recommended for the aforesaid lapses on the part of the training captains;

2.1 Breath Analyzer Test Failure

Failure in breath analyzer test by a training captain shall result in withdrawal of approval for a period of three years.

2.2 Failure in Judgment or Handling Technique Error

Trainer approval shall be withdrawn for a period of one year/three years as the case may be, if after appropriate investigation it is found that there was a failure in judgment or handling technique error attributed to training captain's proficiency in handling the aircraft and such failure led to incident/accident respectively.

2.3 Prejudice or unfair assessment by training captain

A training captain shall be free from prejudice, strong likes and dislikes and shall record fair assessment. If a training captain as result of enquiry is found guilty of misjudgment in assessment or prima facie fear or favour tactics or non-adherence to fair play, the trainer approval shall be withdrawn for a period of three years.

2.4 Failure in Assessment/Proficiency Check

Failure in assessment check / proficiency check for the purpose of renewal or upgrade of trainer approval of training Captain would lead to withdrawal of trainer approval for a period of three months. In such case, the pilot may be considered for reinstatement of trainer approval after a period of three months' subject to;

- (a) Corrective training consisting of ground training (minimum 4 hours) in case the failure has been due to deficiency in knowledge and Full Flight Simulator training (minimum 2 hours LHS and 2 hours RHS) for deficiency in handling skills.
- (b) Satisfactory performance in assessment/proficiency check with the DGCA FOI except in case of LTC with schedule operators, assessment/proficiency check will be conducted by post holder training or his/her nominee.
- (c) If the performance is found unsatisfactory by a Flight Operations Inspector of DGCA in the check in sub-para (b) above, the trainer would not be considered for approval for a period of three years.

Further upgrade to instructor/examiner approval as applicable may be undertaken without any additional time penalty.

2.5 Exercise of Privileges without meeting Qualification Requirements

The DGCA may withdraw a DE/Examiner/Instructor/Check Pilot's approval for a minimum period of three months if evidence shows that a DE/Examiner/Instructor/Check Pilot has:

- Exercised the privileges or functions without having undergone a proficiency/standardization check in the preceding two years for Examiner/Instructor/Check Pilot, one year for DE;
- Exercised the privileges without having attended the requisite refresher training.

2.6 Ethics, Conduct and Adherence to Regulations

The DGCA may withdraw an Examiner/Instructor/Check Pilot's approval for three years if evidence shows that a DE/Examiner/Instructor/Check Pilot has:

- Placed a personal interest, or the interest of the company, ahead of the interest of the DGCA and the travelling public;
- Fraudulently misused DE/Examiner/Instructor/Check Pilot authority, or acted in any other way that would discredit the DGCA;
- Breached the DGCA Civil Aviation Rules and Regulations;
- Failed to represent DGCA in a manner acceptable to the Director General.

3. General

Reinstatement of trainer approval once withdrawn for a period of three years shall be in accordance with requirements of initial approval as stipulated in CAR Section 7, Series I, Part I/II/III/IV. This supersedes Operations Circular 14 of 2010.

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