Atrial Fibrillation (AFib)/A-Flutter

All Classes

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DISEASE/CONDITION	EVALUATION DATA	DISPOSITION
A. Previously reported to FAA and the airman has a letter from the FAA that monitoring is not required.	The airman should bring his/her letter(s) from the FAA (for this condition) for the AME to review. If the AME's history and exam do not reveal any evidence or concern of recurrence:	**ISSUE** Summarize this history in Block 60.
B. Previously warned; Now with a **New event or Findings:**	Submit the following to the FAA for review: ☐ Non-Valvular Atrial Fibrillation (AFib)/ A-Flutter INITIAL Status Report **OR** ☐ A current clinical summary from the treating cardiologist describing all items on the AFib/A-Flutter Status Report sheet. **PLUS:** ☐ ≥ 24-hour cardiac monitor.	**DEFER** Submit the information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance. **Follow-up Special Issuance** – Will be per the Airman's authorization letter
C. Non-Valvular AFib/A-Flutter History of at **any time** **OR** current: Single or multiple episodes Paroxysmal Persistent Permanent/chronic Untreated or treated AFib treated with ablation (3-month recovery period) **or** cardioversion (1-month recovery period)	Submit the following to the FAA for review: ☐ Non-Valvular Atrial Fibrillation (AFib)/ A-Flutter INITIAL Status Report **OR** ☐ A current clinical summary from the treating cardiologist describing all items on the AFib/A-Flutter Status Report sheet. ☐ Initial etiology work-up as follows: ○ TSH; ○ Sleep Study that meets current AASM or CMS Guidelines for a Type I or Type II sleep study (Type III or Type IV NOT allowed); ○ ≥ 24 hour cardiac monitor; ○ Cardiac echocardiogram; and ○ Exercise stress test ☐ If taking Warfarin, submit info listed on Pharmaceutical Anticoagulants – Emboli Mitigation.	**DEFER** Submit the information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance. **Follow-up Special Issuance** – Will be per the Airman's authorization letter See Non-Valvular Atrial Fibrillation (AFib)/A-Flutter RECERTIFICATION Status Report

D. Treated with left atrial appendage (LAA) closure device ex: Watchman	After a **6-month recovery period**, submit the following to the FAA for review: ☐ Cardiologist evaluation that describes why the procedure/device was indicated, treatment regimen throughout the process, any procedure complications, whether device is working properly, and the current status of AFib; ☐ Current CHA2DS2-VASc score; ☐ Initial AFib etiology work up (TSH, sleep study that meets current AASM or CMS Guidelines for a Type I or Type II sleep study [Type III or Type IV not allowed], ≥ 24 hour cardiac monitor, cardiac echocardiogram, exercise stress test), if not previously submitted; ☐ Procedure report; ☐ TEE report from time of implantation, if performed (images not required in most cases); and ☐ TEE report from ≥ 45 days post procedure to evaluate for peri-device leaks (Recommended images at 0, 45, 90, and 135 degrees with 2-4 heartbeats to show appendage and occlusion device or in accordance with industry standards).	**DEFER** Submit the information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance. **Follow-up Special Issuance** – Will be per the Airman's authorization letter