

NOTICE

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SUBJ: Decommissioning of FAA Form 8410-3, Airman Competency/Proficiency Check

1. Purpose of This Notice. This notice provides information on the decommissioning of Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Form 8410-3, Airman Competency/Proficiency Check, and announces the creation of Record of Competency and Proficiency Check Templates. This notice contains information that is administrative in nature.

2. Audience. The primary audience for this notice is Operations inspectors responsible for the authorization and surveillance of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 135 and operators and inspectors who conduct pilot proficiency checks conducted under 14 CFR § 61.58. The secondary audience includes any aviation safety inspectors (ASI) in the Office of General Aviation Safety Assurance (GASA).

3. Where You Can Find This Notice. You can find this notice on the MyFAA employee website at https://employees.faa.gov/tools_resources/orders_notices and the Dynamic Regulatory System (DRS) at <https://drs.faa.gov>. Operators and the public can find this notice on the FAA's website at https://www.faa.gov/regulations_policies/orders_notices and DRS.

4. Background. Routine analysis of guidance and policy has led to the determination that FAA Form 8410-3, which can be used to document records of competency and proficiency checks, is not efficient for the current environment.

5. Discussion. The FAA has canceled the official 8410-3 series of forms and will eliminate references to them within its guidance. In its place, the Training and Simulation Group (AFS-280) will offer Record of Competency and Proficiency Check Templates (see the templates in Appendices A through C).

a. Nomenclature. These templates will be referred to as "Record of Competency and Proficiency Check Templates."

b. Utilization. Operators may utilize these templates to tailor their own competency and proficiency check forms to suit their individual requirements.

6. Action. Principal Operations Inspectors (POI) will advise 14 CFR part 135 certificate holders (CH) to update their training programs and currently existing 8410-3 series forms to remove any

reference to FAA Form 8410-3. In addition, POIs will ensure the forms contain all appropriate and required maneuvers for the CH's operation.

Note: Operators may need to make multiple variations of the form based on the type of equipment and/or operation being conducted by different aircrews within the company.

7. Disposition. The content of this notice has been integrated into several sections of FAA Order 8900.1, while additional sections will be updated as scheduled guidance revisions take place. Questions or comments concerning the information in this notice can be sent to the Air Transportation Division (AFS-200) at 202-267-8166 or 9-AFS-200-Correspondence@faa.gov.



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Appendix A. Airplane Pilot Record of Competency and Proficiency Check Template

AIRPLANE PILOT RECORD OF COMPETENCY AND PROFICIENCY CHECK 14 CFR PART 135				LOCATION:	DATE OF CHECK:	
PILOT NAME (last, first, middle initial)				TYPE OF CHECK 14 CFR 135.293 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 CFR 135.297 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 CFR 135.299 <input type="checkbox"/>		
PILOT CERTIFICATE INFORMATION:	Grade			MEDICAL INFORMATION: Date of Exam.		
	Number			Date of Birth	Class	
EMPLOYED BY		BASED AT (City, State)		TYPE AIRPLANE (Make/Model)		
				SIMULATOR/TRAINING DEVICE (Make/Model)		
CHECK PILOT NAME		CHECK PILOT SIGNATURE		FLIGHT TIME AIRCRAFT/SIM/TD NO.		
SUBJECTS AND FLIGHT MANEUVERS GRADE (S-Satisfactory U-Unsatisfactory W-Waived N/A-Not Applicable to the check or type of operation)						
PILOT SIGNATURE (verifies pilot information entered above)				A/C	SIM	TNG DEV
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WRITTEN OR ORAL TEST SUBJECT AREAS				LANDINGS		
1. 14 CFR Parts 61, 91, 135, OpSpecs, CH Manual				1. Normal/Crosswind		
2. Powerplant, Components, Systems, Limitations				2. Emergency (SE only)		
3. Standard and Emergency Procedures, AFM				3. From ILS		
4. Weight and Balance Limitations, Navigation				4. Engine(s)-out (ME only)		
5. Nav Aids, Approach Facilities, and ATC Procedures				5. Rejected Landing		
6. Meteorology, Fronts, Icing, Fog, Thunderstorms				6. From Circling Approach		
7. Recognizing, Avoiding, and Escaping Severe Weather				7. No-Flap Approach		
8. Escaping Low-Altitude Windshear				8. Short Field (SE only)		
9. Operating In/Near Thunderstorms, Turbulence, Icing, Hail				9. EFVS Landing		
10. Equipment, Procedures, or Techniques				NON-NORMAL AND EMERGENCY		
GROUND OPERATIONS				1. System Malfunction		
1. Preflight Inspection				2. NVG Malfunction		
2. Start Procedures				3. Maneuver By Partial Panel		
3. Taxiing/Runway Operations				4. Unusual Attitude Recovery		
4. Pretakeoff Checks				5. External Lighting		
TAKEOFF AND DEPARTURES				SEA AND SKI PLANE		
1. Normal				1. Normal Takeoff and Landing		
2. Crosswind				2. Glassy Water Takeoff and Landing		
3. Instrument				3. Rough Water Takeoff and Landing		
4. With Powerplant Failure (ME only)				4. Sailing/Docking		
5. Rejected Takeoff (ME only)				1. General - Judgement		
6. Short Field (SE only)				2. General - Aircrew Coordination		
IN-FLIGHT MANEUVERS				PILOT COMPETENCY INFORMATION:		
1. Steep Turns				Demonstrated Current Knowledge 14 CFR 135.293(a) Make/Model Expires (12 months) ()		
2. Stall Prevention (approaches to stalls)				Demonstrated Competency 14 CFR 135.293(b) Make/Model Expires (12 months) ()		
3. Powerplant Failure				Satisfactorily Demonstrated Line Checks 14 CFR 135.299 Expires (12 months) ()		
4. Two-Engine-Inoperative approach (3-4 engines only)				Satisfactorily Demonstrated IFR Proficiency 14 CFR 135.297 Expires (6 months) ()		
INSTRUMENT MANEUVERS				Use of Autopilot (is) (is not) Authorized. Expires (12 months) ()		
1. Area Departure				REMARKS		
2. Holding						
3. Area Arrival						
4. ILS Approach						
5. Engine-Out ILS (ME only)						
6. Coupled Approach/Use of Autopilot and FD						
7. Nonprecision Approach						
8. 2nd Nonprecision Approach						
9. Missed Approach From ILS						
10. 2nd Missed Approach						
11. Circling Approach						
12. EFVS Approach						
RESULT OF CHECK	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved			CHECK PILOT'S PERFORMANCE (FAA Only) <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory <input type="checkbox"/> Unsatisfactory		
FAA OFFICE CODE	FAA INSPECTOR'S NAME (PRINT)		FAA INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE			

Appendix B. Helicopter Pilot Record of Competency and Proficiency Check Template

HELICOPTER PILOT RECORD OF COMPETENCY AND PROFICIENCY CHECK 14 CFR PART 135				LOCATION:		DATE OF CHECK:	
PILOT NAME <i>(last, first, middle initial)</i>				TYPE OF CHECK 14 CFR 135.293 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 CFR 135.297 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 CFR 135.299 <input type="checkbox"/>			
PILOT CERTIFICATE INFORMATION:	Grade			MEDICAL INFORMATION: Date of Exam.			
	Number			Date of Birth	Class		
EMPLOYED BY		BASED AT <i>(City, State)</i>		TYPE HELICOPTER <i>(Make/Model)</i>			
CHECK PILOT NAME		CHECK PILOT SIGNATURE		SIMULATOR/TRAINING DEVICE <i>(Make/Model)</i>			
				FLIGHT TIME AIRCRAFT/SIM/TD NO.			
SUBJECTS AND FLIGHT MANEUVERS GRADE <i>(S-Satisfactory U-Unsatisfactory W-Waived N/A-Not Applicable to the check or type of operation)</i>							
PILOT SIGNATURE <i>(verifies pilot information entered above)</i>							
				A/C		SIM	
				TNG DEV.			
WRITTEN OR ORAL TEST SUBJECT AREAS							
1. 14 CFR Parts 61, 91, 135, OpSpecs, CH Manual				3. Landing With Engine Out <i>(ME only)</i>			
2. Powerplant, Components, Systems, Limitations				4. Circling Approach			
3. Standard and Emergency Procedures, RFM				SEA AND SKI OPERATIONS			
4. Weight and Balance Limitations, Navigation				1. Normal Takeoff and Landing			
5. Nav Aids, Approach Facilities, and ATC Procedures				NON-NORMAL AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES			
6. Meteorology, Fronts, Icing, Fog, Thunderstorms				1. System Malfunction			
7. Recognizing, Avoiding, and Escaping Severe Weather				2. Recovery From IIMC			
8. Operating in/near Thunderstorms, Turbulence, Icing, Hail				3. Maneuver By Partial Panel			
9. New Equipment, Procedures, or Techniques				4. Instrument Approach			
10. Flat-Light, Whiteout, Brownout Procedures				5. Power Failure			
GROUND OPERATIONS				6. Hovering Autorotations <i>(SE only)</i>			
1. Preflight Inspections				7. Tail Rotor/Antitorque System Failure <i>(oral only)</i>			
2. Start Procedures				8. Autorotation to Power Recovery <i>(SE only)</i>			
3. Taxiing and Ground Hover				9. Low-Rotor RPM <i>(oral only)</i>			
4. Pretakeoff Checks				10. Confined Area			
TAKEOFF AND DEPARTURES				11. Pinnacle Operations			
1. Normal				12. Slope Operations			
2. Instrument				13. Ground Hazard Recognition			
3. With Powerplant Failure <i>(ME only)</i>				14. Use of External Lighting			
4. Rapid Deceleration				15. Dynamic Rollover Avoidance			
IN-FLIGHT MANEUVERS				GENERAL			
1. Steep Turns <i>(ATP only)</i>				1. Judgement			
2. Settling With Power				2. Aircrew Coordination			
3. Unusual Attitude Recovery				PILOT COMPETENCY INFORMATION:			
INSTRUMENT PROCEDURES				Demonstrated Current Knowledge 14 CFR 135.293(a)			
1. Area Departure				Make/Model Expires (12 months) ()			
2. Area Arrival				Demonstrated Competency 14 CFR 135.293(b)			
3. Holding				Make/Model Expires (12 months) ()			
4. Normal ILS Approach				Satisfactorily Demonstrated Line Checks			
5. Engine-Out ILS <i>(ME only)</i>				14 CFR 135.299 Expires (12 months) ()			
6. Coupled Approach				Satisfactorily Demonstrated IFR Proficiency			
7. Nonprecision Approach				14 CFR 135.297 Expires (6 months) ()			
8. 2nd Nonprecision Approach				Use of Autopilot (is) (is not) Authorized.			
9. Missed Approach From ILS				Expires (12 months) ()			
10. 2nd Missed Approach				REMARKS			
11. Circling Approach							
LANDINGS AND APPROACHES TO LANDINGS							
1. Normal							
2. Landing From ILS							
RESULT OF CHECK				CHECK PILOT'S PERFORMANCE <i>(FAA Only)</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved				<input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory			
				<input type="checkbox"/> Unsatisfactory			
FAA OFFICE CODE		FAA INSPECTOR'S NAME (PRINT)		FAA INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE			

Appendix C. Powered-Lift Pilot Record of Competency and Proficiency Check Template

POWERED-LIFT PILOT RECORD OF COMPETENCY AND PROFICIENCY CHECK 14 CFR PART 135				LOCATION:		DATE OF CHECK:	
PILOT NAME (last, first, middle initial)				TYPE OF CHECK			
				14 CFR 135.293 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 CFR 135.297 <input type="checkbox"/> 14 CFR 135.299 <input type="checkbox"/>			
PILOT CERTIFICATE INFORMATION:		Grade		MEDICAL INFORMATION: Date of Exam.			
		Number		Date of Birth		Class	
EMPLOYED BY		BASED AT (City, State)		TYPE POWERED-LIFT (Make/Model)			
				SIMULATOR/TRAINING DEVICE (Make/Model)			
CHECK PILOT NAME		CHECK PILOT SIGNATURE		FLIGHT TIME		AIRCRAFT/SIM/ID NO.	
SUBJECTS AND FLIGHT MANEUVERS GRADE (S-Satisfactory U-Unsatisfactory W-Waived N/A-Not Applicable to the check or type of operation)							
PILOT SIGNATURE (verifies pilot information entered above)						A/C SIM TNG DEV	
WRITTEN OR ORAL TEST SUBJECT AREAS				LANDINGS AND APPROACHES TO LANDINGS			
1. 14 CFR Parts 61, 91, 135, OpSpecs, CH Manual				1. Normal			
2. Powerplant, Components, Systems, Limitations				2. From ILS			
3. Standard and Emergency Procedures, AFM				3. Landing with Power-Plant Failure(s) (MP only)			
4. Weight and Balance Limitations, Navigation				4. Rejected Landing			
5. Nav Aids, Approach Facilities, and ATC Procedures				5. From Circling Approach			
6. Meteorology, Fronts, Icing, Fog, Thunderstorms				6. EFVS Landing			
7. Recognizing, Avoiding, and Escaping Severe Weather				7. Short Field (SP only)			
8. Escaping Low-Altitude Windshear				SEA AND SKI OPERATIONS			
9. Operating In/Near Thunderstorms, Turbulence, Icing, Hail				1. Normal Takeoff and Landing			
10. New Equipment, Procedures, or Techniques				NON-NORMAL, EMERGENCY, AND GENERAL			
11. Flat-Light, Whiteout, Brownout Procedures				1. System Malfunction			
GROUND OPERATIONS				2. NVG Malfunction			
1. Preflight Inspections				3. Recover From IIMC			
2. Start Procedures				4. Maneuver By Partial Panel			
3. Taxiing/Runway Operations				5. Instrument Approach (VFR COMP)			
4. Pretakeoff Checks				6. Vortex-Ring State Avoidance			
TAKEOFF AND DEPARTURES				7. Dynamic Rollover Avoidance			
1. Normal From A Hover				8. Confined Area Operations			
2. Normal Rolling				9. Pinnacle Operations			
3. Instrument				10. Slope Operations			
4. Rejected Takeoff (MP)				11. Ground Hazard Recognition			
5. Powerplant Failure During T/O (thrust-borne flight, MP)				12. Brownout/Whiteout/Flat-Light Procedures			
6. Powerplant Failure During T/O (wing-borne flight, MP)				13. Use of External Lighting			
7. Area Departure				14. Specific Flight Performance (FSBR)			
IN-FLIGHT MANEUVERS				15. Judgement			
1. Steep Turns				16. Aircrew Coordination			
2. In-flight Conversion During Straight-and-Level Flight				PILOT COMPETENCY INFORMATION:			
3. Stall Prevention (Approaches to Stalls)				Demonstrated Current Knowledge 14 CFR 135.293(a)			
4. Unusual Attitude Recovery				Make/Model Expires (12 months) ()			
5. Powerplant Failure(s)				Demonstrated Competency 14 CFR 135.293(b)			
INSTRUMENT PROCEDURES				Make/Model Expires (12 months) ()			
1. Holding				Satisfactorily Demonstrated Line Checks			
2. Area Arrival				14 CFR 135.299 Expires (12 months) ()			
3. Normal ILS Approach				Satisfactorily Demonstrated IFR Proficiency			
4. ILS With Powerplant(s) Failure (MPE only)				14 CFR 135.297 Expires (6 months) ()			
5. Coupled Approach				Use of Autopilot (is) (is not) Authorized.			
6. Nonprecision Approach				Expires (12 months) ()			
7. 2nd Nonprecision Approach				REMARKS			
8. Missed Approach From ILS							
9. 2nd Missed Approach							
10. Circling Approach							
11. EFVS Approach							
RESULT OF CHECK				CHECK PILOT'S PERFORMANCE (FAA Only)			
= Approved				= Satisfactory			
= Disapproved				= Unsatisfactory			
FAA OFFICE CODE		FAA INSPECTOR'S NAME (PRINT)		FAA INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE			