

**HYDROCEPHALUS
(With or Without Shunt)**

All Classes
(Updated 01/25/2023)

| DISEASE/CONDITION | EVALUATION DATA | DISPOSITION |
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| <p>A. With shunt placement</p> | <p>After a two (2) year symptom-free recovery period, submit the following for FAA review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A current, detailed neurological evaluation that meets FAA Specifications for Neurologic Evaluation generated from a clinic visit with the treating neurologist no more than 90 days before the AME exam. 2. It must specifically include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the reason a shunt was placed and • if the shunt is functional or non-functional. 3. Shunt series CT or MRI brain performed no more than 12 months before the AME exam. <p>Include both the report and a copy of the images on compact disc (CD) in DICOM readable format. (There MUST be a 'DICOMDIR' in the root directory of the CD-ROM). Please verify the CD will display the images before sending. You may wish to retain copies of all CDs or image as a safeguard if lost in the mail.</p> <p>Note: After a review of the above information and due to the condition which caused the need for the shunt, a Neuropsychological (NP) evaluation in accordance with the FAA Specifications for Neuropsychological Evaluations for</p> | <div style="background-color: red; height: 15px; width: 100%; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <p style="text-align: center;">DEFER</p> <p>Submit the information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance.</p> |

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| | <p>Potential Neurocognitive Impairment may be required.</p> <p>If associated with a seizure, brain tumor, or brain bleed – see the corresponding section. An additional recovery period may apply.</p> | |
| <p>B. Without shunt placement (such as normal pressure hydrocephalus)</p> | <p>Submit the following for FAA review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A current, detailed neurological evaluation that meets FAA Specifications for Neurologic Evaluation generated from a clinic visit with the treating neurologist no more than 90 days before the AME exam. 2. MRI and/or CT of the brain performed no more than 90 days before the AME exam. <p>Submit the interpretive report on paper and imaging on CD in DICOM readable format (there must be a file named 'DICOMDIR' in the root directory of the CD-ROM). Please verify the CD will display the images before sending. You may wish to retain a copy of all films as a safeguard if lost in the mail.</p> | <div style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 5px;">DEFER</div> <p>Submit the information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance.</p> |