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## 11 GENERAL INFORMATION

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With effect from 1 June 2001, Section L BCAR licences were only issued for the maintenance of aircraft under 5700kg. However, existing licence holders may still continue to exercise the privileges of their BCAR licences for aircraft above and below 5700kg providing they hold the appropriate company authorisations, where applicable. In addition, existing licence holders may still extend their current licence privileges to include new type ratings and/or paragraphs; however, they cannot add an additional licence category for the maintenance of aircraft over 5700kg. In this case, a Part-66 licence would be required.

### 11.1 Part-66

With the introduction of the Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2042/2003, new EC style licences have been introduced, therefore, current BCAR licence holders must be advised of the following;

- Persons certifying aircraft above 5700kgs must hold a Part-66 AML by 28 September 2006, in order to continue to certify after this date.
- Persons certifying aircraft 5700kgs or below must hold a Part-66 AML by 28 September 2008, in order to continue to certify after this date.

**Note: A JAR-66 AML is deemed compliant with the requirements of a Part-66 licence.**

### 11.2 EASA Introduction Timetable

An introduction timetable is provided at Appendix A to this Section, which provides information on cessation dates and compliance dates. Updates to this table will be made on our web site.

## 12 CONVERSION OF BCAR SECTION L LICENCE TO A PART-66 BASIC LICENCE

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Please refer to Section B for information on conversion of protected rights and the conversion process.

Aircraft categorised as Commission Regulation (EC) 1592/2002 'Annex II aircraft' will eventually be endorsed under National Privileges on the Part-66 licence. For further information relating to National Privileges, please refer to sub-section 14.

## 13 VALIDITY OF LICENCES AND LICENCE RENEWAL

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The CAA has reduced the renewal period from 5 years to 2 years for BCAR Section L licences and reduced the

renewal fee accordingly, in readiness for 28 September 2006.

An application for licence renewal cannot be made to the CAA more than 60 days before expiry. However, if the licence holder intends to apply for conversion to a Part-66 licence instead of renewing the Section L licence (or as well as renewing it, if other privileges are also to be retained) applications involving conversion will be accepted before that time and in any event should be made no later than 6 weeks before the licence is due to expire, to avoid any break in continuity.

Whilst the renewal of a licence is the responsibility of the licence holder, the Personnel Licensing Department of the CAA will endeavour to send a renewal reminder. It is therefore important to keep the Authority informed of any changes of address.

A quick reference to renewal requirements may be found in Appendix B to this Section.

## 14 NATIONAL PRIVILEGES

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Certain aircraft do not fall under EASA regulations and therefore remain subject to National Legislation. These aircraft are referred to as 'Annex II aircraft' due to Article 4 of EC Regulation 1592/2002 excluding aircraft within Annex II.

Annex II aircraft are typically of historical relevance, experimental or scientific aircraft, amateur built aircraft, military purpose built aircraft, light aircraft not exceeding 35 knots calibrated air speed (microlights), gliders, unmanned aircraft and any other aircraft with a total mass without pilot of less than 70kg.

An Annex to the Part-66 licence (EASA Form 26) provides for National Privileges outside the scope of the licence, in accordance with the Civil Aviation Act 1982 and the ANO. These privileges are valid only within the United Kingdom, however, the basic categories and type ratings will follow the same format as Part-66. The privileges will be restricted in accordance with the Limitations shown in Section B12.

## 15 THE FUTURE OF BCAR SECTION L LICENCE

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CAP 468 British Civil Airworthiness Requirements (BCAR) – Section L Licensing – Aircraft Maintenance Engineers, is currently being amended. The privileges conferred by the licence, accompanied by any necessary authorisation documents, remain subject to Airworthiness Notices 3 and 10, until such time as BCAR licence holders are required to hold a Part-66 licence.

# APPENDICES TO SECTION I

- ◆ **Appendix A**      **Introduction Timetable**
- ◆ **Appendix B**      **Quick Reference Renewal Requirements**

## APPENDIX A INTRODUCTION TIMETABLE

Date	Item	Reference
28 Sept 03	* European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) into force.	EC 1592/2002
	* New applications for JAR-147 approval to be issued in accordance with Part 147.	Annex IV (Part 147)
28 Nov 03	* Implementing Rules released. EC 2042/2003 enters into force.	Annex I,II,III,IV
01 June 04	* No new applications for B & D licences accepted.	
	* BCAR licence renewal validity to change from 5 years to 2 years.	
	* Start issuing Part 66 licences for aircraft above 5700kg.	Annex III (Part 66)
	* Part 66 exams available.	
01 Sept 04	* JAR-66 licences renewed as Part 66 licences.	
01 Nov 04	* Final date to enter for BCAR Section L exams for new applicants.	
29 Nov 04	* Start issuing Part 66 licences for aircraft below 5700kg.	
29 Nov 04	* Existing JAR-147 training organisations to have converted to Part 147.	Annex IV (Part 147)
01 Nov 05	* BCAR written exams withdrawn.	
01 May 06	* BCAR oral exams withdrawn.	
28 Sept 06	* All certifying staff for aircraft 5700 kg and above must hold a Part 66 licence to continue certifying.	Annex II (Part 145)
28 Sept 06	BCAR Section L renewal ceased, <b>(conversion to Part-66 mandatory)</b> .	
28 Sept 08	* All certifying staff must hold Part 66 licences.	Annex I (Part-M) Annex II Part-145)

Please note that these dates are subject to change. Any changes will be promulgated via our web site.

APPENDIX B **QUICK REFERENCE RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS**

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**LICENCE RENEWAL WITHIN VALIDITY OF LICENCE**

**\*\*\*RECOMMEND CONVERSION TO PART-66\*\*\***

- 6 months experience of maintenance on operational aircraft within the last 24 months at time of application.
- Paid the correct fee
- **A licence may be renewed up to 60 days prior to its expiry date.**

**LICENCE RENEWAL WITHIN 24 MONTHS EXPIRY OF LICENCE**

**\*\*\*RECOMMEND CONVERSION TO PART-66\*\*\***

- 6 months experience of maintenance on operational aircraft within the last 24 months at time of application.
- Paid the correct fee

**LICENCE RENEWAL EXPIRED OVER 24 MONTHS BUT WITHIN 4 YEARS**

- Must qualify for a Part-66 licence.
- 'Protected Rights' will apply based upon LWTR's held. The appropriate conversion examinations and experience requirements must be completed. Part-66 multiple-choice papers 9 (Human Factors) and 10 (Aviation Legislation) will need to be passed in addition to that above.

**LICENCE RENEWAL EXPIRED OVER 4 YEARS**

- Must qualify afresh under the full requirements of Part-66.

**REQUIRED FORMS AND DOCUMENTS**

- AD 302 (for UK National).
- Form 19 (for conversion) and appropriate supporting documentation.

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