

3. **Foreign Certificate Holders – Cross Crediting**

Persons holding Microlight (Ultralight) Pilot Certificates (Licences) issued by a foreign authority, agency or organisation may be eligible for these to be validated for flight in New Zealand or for the issue of a SAC Microlight Pilot Certificate providing they meet certain parameters.

(a) **Short Term validation** – is available to pilots are visitors or tourists who can produce their:

- valid foreign pilot certificate indicating the level of attainment and privileges;
- valid foreign medical certificate;
- pilot's logbook.

The pilot will be required by SAC to:

- become a SAC client paying the standard fee in Section 1 Para 12;
- be briefed by a SAC instructor on Part 91 and 103 Rules pertaining to the rules of the air, the local airspace, and the operation of Microlight Aircraft in New Zealand; and
- successfully complete a Flight assessment to BFR standard with a SAC instructor.
- An appropriately qualified and experienced foreign pilot who for the purpose of test flying a new aircraft may be exempt from the BFR requirement. The SAC Operations officer will consider the application as long as they can provide proof to SAC that they are rated and current on type, have the appropriate overseas equivalent qualification and comply with all other SAC foreign pilot requirements. Passengers must not be carried by the foreign pilot until a flight test is carried out by a SAC Instructor.

The SAC Instructor will then:

- make a logbook entry giving a validation period of not more than one calendar month or the expiry date on the medical certificate whichever is the soonest; and
- forward the Client Application, fees, and completed flight assessment, copies of the foreign documentation, with comments to SAC Head Office.

(b) **Full Validation to SAC Microlight Pilot Certificates** - may be carried out to the following procedure providing the pilots can produce their:

- valid foreign pilot certificate indicating the level of attainment and privileges;
- valid foreign medical certificate;
- pilot's Logbook.

The pilot will be required by SAC to:

- become a SAC client paying the standard fee in Section 1 Para 12;
- sit and pass the SAC Aviation Law examination; and
- present a valid SAC NZ medical declaration and certificate; and
- successfully complete a Flight assessment with an ATO to BFR standard to the level equating with the foreign certificate.

The ATO will then:

- forward the Client Application, fees, copies of the medical declaration and certificate and foreign documents, and completed flight assessment to SAC Head Office.
- Make a recommendation as to which level within the SAC system a certificate should be issued; and
- Make a recommendation as to whether any further examination (written, oral, of flight assessment) should be carried out prior to certificate issue.