PART 3

Annex B Ratings and Privileges

MOTOR GLIDER INSTRUCTOR RATINGS

Before giving gliding instruction in a self-launching motor glider, an instructor must hold a motor glider instructor rating. There are currently two entirely separate motor glider instructor ratings, the BGA MGIR and the CAA FI (SLMG). These two ratings are both gained and renewed separately.

THE BGA MGIR

Privileges:

Instructing gliding exercises in a motor glider, appropriate to the group and stage held and where the instructor has a valid certificate of medical fitness (see Medical Standards)

The Rating is issued separately on three groups of motor gliders:-

Group 1	Wooden Motor Gliders
Group 2	GRP Motor Gliders
Group 3	Retractable Engine Motor Gliders

In addition to the above groups, each group has three separate stages:-

Stage 1	Glider handling, upper air exercises, circuits, approaches and landings
Stage 2	Stage 1 exercises plus map appreciation and glider navigation
Stage 3	Stage 1 and 2 exercises plus simulated aero-tow rope breaks, field
	Selection and landing simulation and final glide simulation.

Experience requirements:

- 1. Either BGA Full Instructor Rating (gliders) or, for BGA MGIR Stage 1 only, a BGA Assistant Instructor Rating (gliders).
- 2. Current SLMG PPL or PPL with SLMG or TMG rating or NPPL (SLMG).

Initial issue:

The BGA MGIR is issued by test with an RE/SRE (note: not all REs/SREs are motor glider examiners).

Renewal:

The BGA MGIR is renewed by test with an RE/SRE bi-annually and is entirely separate to the CAA FI (SLMG). Either a BGA Full Glider Instructor rating or a BGA Assistant Instructor rating, as appropriate, must be held to maintain validity of the BGA MGIR.

THE CAA FI (SLMG)

A variety of different terms have previously been used to describe this single rating: "CAA MGIR"; "Restricted Flying Instructor Rating SLMG (MGIR)" & "FI (SLMG)". This section uses the single term: FI (SLMG).

Privileges.

Instruction in SLMG aircraft under the auspices of the BGA.

Experience requirements:

- Current BGA Full Glider Instructor Rating.
- Current SLMG PPL or PPL with SLMG or TMG rating.
- Completion of training and test conducted by BGA Examiner with a CAA FIE rating.

Note: Candidates who do not hold the BGA Full Glider Instructor Rating must attend a CAA approved Flying Instructors' course run by a CAA approved flying training organisation

Renewal:

The CAA FI (SLMG) is renewed bi-annually by test with a BGA Examiner with a CAA FE or FIE rating or JAR TMG examiner equivalent. Note: The requirement for a current BGA Full Glider Instructor Rating is for the initial issue of a CAA FI(SLMG) following BGA Recommendation. It is not required for the subsequent renewal of the CAA FI(SLMG).

Note1: For both the BGA MGIR and the CAA FI (SLMG) to remain valid, the instructor must maintain a current medical certificate as required by the relevant regulations

Note2: The underlying SLMG or TMG rating must be revalidated, separately and in addition to instructor ratings in order to exercise the privileges of the BGA MGIR or TMG.

THE LICENCE

NPPL SLMG

The National Private Pilots Licence (NPPL) is intended for private and recreational flying within the UK. Holders are restricted to a narrower range of aircraft than are available to JAR licence holders; training requirements are simpler and the medical is similar to the GP endorsed pilot declaration familiar to UK glider pilots. Three ratings are available: Simple Single Engine Aeroplanes (SSEA), Self Launching Motor Gliders (SLMG) and Micro-lights.

Full details are available from the NPPL web site at http://www.nppl.uk.com/

For a person without a BGA Glider Pilots Licence to obtain an NPPL with SLMG Class Rating, he/she needs to:

- 1. Carry out a minimum course of flying training totalling 32 hours, excluding the NST and GST.
- 2. Pass the JAR-FCL PPL (A) theoretical exams.
- 3. Hold a valid NPPL medical declaration or JAA Class 1 or 2 medical certificate.
- 4. Pass the NPPL NST and GST in an SLMG.

ALLOWANCES AGAINST TRAINING (NPPL/XC/Rev 8 dated 26 Jan 2009 refers)

The holder of a valid BGA Glider Pilots Licence who wishes to obtain an NPPL with SLMG Class Rating shall:

- 1. Produce the BGA Glider Pilots Licence.
- 2. Produce log book evidence of having satisfactorily completed not less than 10 hours training in a self launching motor glider under the supervision of an SLMG Instructor, which must include.
- 3. Not less than 1 hour dual instruction in stall/spin awareness and avoidance.
- 4. Not less than 1 hour dual instrument appreciation.
- 5. Not less than 1 hour supervised solo flight.
- 6. Pass the JAR-FCL PPL (A) theoretical exams.
- 7. Hold a valid NPPL medical declaration or JAA Class 1 or 2 medical certificate.
- 8. Pass the NPPL NST and GST in an SLMG.