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1 Purpose

These instructions establish an alternative means of compliance (AltMoC) for AMC1 BFCL.135 to Regulation 2018/395 (Part-BFCL) and AMC1 SFCL.135 to Regulation 2018/1976 (Part-SFCL).

Alternative means of compliance (AltMoC) means those means that propose an alternative to an existing AMC or those that propose new means to establish compliance with Regulation (EU) No 2018/1139 and its implementing rules for which no associated AMC have been adopted by the Agency.

2 General

This AltMoc relates to the theoretical knowledge examinations for BPL and SPL: number and distribution of questions and duration of examinations.

3 Reasoning

This AltMoc deviates from the published AMCs regarding the total number and the distribution of questions per subject as well as the duration of the theoretical examination for BPL and SPL (see point (c) below). In addition it is allowed to have examinations in computer-based form (see point (b) below). Points (a), (d) and (e) are similar to published AMCs.

On one hand, with 132 questions, it can be distributed equally to the subjects, so that an even number of questions is obtained to pass the subject with 75%. On the other hand, the candidates are given adequate time to answer the questions (e.g. in flight performance and planning) for BPL and SPL.

This AltMoC concerns the following AMCs: AMC1 BFCL.135 and AMC1 SFCL.135.

4 AltMoC AMC1 BFCL.135 BPL, AMC1 SFCL.135 SPL - Theoretical knowledge examinations

AltMoC for AMC1 BFCL.135 BPL – Theoretical knowledge examinations

- (a) The theoretical knowledge examinations for the BPL follow the syllabus for theoretical knowledge instruction for the BPL set out in AMC1 BFCL.130.
- (b) The examinations should be in written or computer-based form. However, for the subject Communications, practical classroom testing may be conducted.
- (c) The examinations should comprise a total of 132 multiple-choice questions, covering all the subjects, with the following arrangements for questions and allocated time per subject:

Subject	Number of questions	75 %	Duration (in minutes)
Air law	20	15	40
Human performance	12	9	24
Meteorology	20	15	40
Communications	12	9	24
Navigation	20	15	60
Principles of flight*	12	9	24
Operational procedures*	12	9	24
Flight performance and planning*	12	9	24
Aircraft general knowledge*	12	9	24
TOTAL	132		284' (4h 44')

*Content as relevant for either hot-air balloons or gas balloons, depending on the class privileges sought. These four subjects may be combined in one single examination paper that comprises 12 questions per subject (48 in total) and has a duration of 96 minutes. In any case, the pass rate as per point BFCL.135(c)(1) needs to be achieved for each subject.

- (d) The period of 18 months mentioned in point BFCL.135(c)(2) should be counted from the end of the calendar month when the applicant first attempted an examination.
- (e) The competent authority should inform applicants of the language(s) in which the examination will be conducted.

AltMoC for AMC1 SFCL.135 SPL – Theoretical knowledge examinations

- (a) The theoretical knowledge examinations for the SPL follow the syllabus for theoretical knowledge instruction for the SPL set out in AMC1 SFCL.130.
- (b) The examinations should be in written or computer-based form. However, for the subject communications, practical classroom testing may be conducted.
- (c) The examinations should comprise a total of 132 multiple-choice questions, covering all

the subjects, with the following arrangements for questions and allocated time per subject:

Subject	Number of questions	75 %	Duration (in minutes)
Air law	20	15	40
Human performance	12	9	24
Meteorology	20	15	40
Communications	12	9	24
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Principles of flight*	12	9	24
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Flight performance and planning*	12	9	24
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TOTAL	132		284' (4h 44')

* These four subjects may be combined in one single examination paper that comprises 12 questions per subject (48 in total) and has a duration of 96 minutes. In any case, the pass rate as per point SFCL.135(c)(1) needs to be achieved for each subject.

(d) The period of 18 months mentioned in point SFCL.135(c)(2) should be counted from the end of the calendar month when the applicant first attempted an examination.

(e) The competent authority should inform applicants of the language(s) in which the examination will be conducted.