

FAQs: Permits to Fly, General Aviation

Question:

I want to apply for approval of flight conditions - what do I need to do? I want to apply for Permit to Fly - what do I need to do?

Answer:

A Permit to Fly (PtF) is generally issued in lieu of a certificate of airworthiness temporarily invalid, or when a certificate of airworthiness cannot be granted, due to non-compliance with the applicable airworthiness requirements but the aircraft is nevertheless capable of performing a safe flight.

The issue of a PtF requires prior approval of associated Flight Conditions (FC), which define the conditions or restrictions necessary for safe operation of the aircraft. The Agency may approve the FC when they are related to the safety of the design of the (non-compliant) aircraft if no other (DOA) Organisation with a relevant "FC" privilege takes the responsibility for this approval.

In this case, please use EASA Form FO.CERT.00037 (with EASA Form 18B in its annex I) to apply for approval of Flight Conditions at EASA. With the approved Flight Conditions (EASA Form 18B) you can apply for a Permit to Fly at the local national aviation authority responsible for the aircraft.

Note: alternatively, a PtF may also be issued based on EASA-approved FC by a CAMO / CAO organisation responsible of the in-service aircraft when holding the "PtF" privilege.

More information on PtF and FC (also for other cases NOT related to the safety of the design) is published on the EASA website and in the EASA procedure PR.CAP.00125. Please click here.

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