



Update ME

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In this Update we will continue with comments and advice of an administrative nature, to assist trouble-free processes.

Exposition Cover sheet

Thanks to all who have completed their exposition and returned a signed exposition cover sheet. We still have a number of MEs who have not done that and for whom the exposition process cannot be completed. If you have been sent a hard copy of your exposition with the cover sheet to sign and return, we urge you to do so without delay.

Replacement certificates

New legislation now requires a statutory declaration (form on CAA web) in order to obtain a replacement of a lost or stolen certificate. Replacements of certificates are now administered by CMU. This also ensures that any recent change to the certificate is incorporated.

Lipids and glucose dates on MAR

One medical certification software package uses the date of the GME as the date on which lipids and/or glucose blood tests were conducted if the blood tests were done at about the same time as the medical itself. CMU understands that this was done to simplify the filling in of the MAR form and because of the very limited time available to release a software upgrade by the date of implementation of the new rule part 67. CMU has accepted this practice as long as the timing and currency of these tests are in accordance with the relevant GD.

AMCs: Request of identification of experts

It is important to place any such request as well as any letter or document requiring a reply or action by CMU **at the top** of the bundle of documents you send. CMU does not have the resources to screen through each file received for such requests. Unfortunate delays have occurred because the existence of a particular request was not obvious.

Recurrent AMC

An Accredited Medical Conclusion is a necessary condition under the Act to be able to issue a medical certificate when an applicant does not meet the prescribed standards and the ME wishes to issue a certificate applying flexibility. In practice this means that a new AMC must be obtained at each application as long as a condition remains of aeromedical significance. A new certificate may be issued without an AMC only if the condition has resolved or is no longer of aeromedical significance.

Documents for CAA

If you have issued a letter of explanation to accompany the certificate and MAR, please ensure that a copy is forwarded to CAA with the rest of the paperwork.

Upcoming event

AMSANZ/ANZOM Conference at the Millennium Hotel in Queenstown 16 – 19 August 2007.

CAA is planning to hold a half day seminar for MEs, provisional date is Thursday 7 August afternoon.

Julia Reed – On the Move!

Our wonderful Licensing Adviser - Julia Reed has logged a flight plan for the Airlines Group and is taking up a position with the Airlines Group as Aircraft Registrar. We thank Julia for her wonderful work in keeping the helpdesk ticking over, ME client ID's and paperwork issued and being virtually the front of house for the Unit. All is not entirely lost as Julia will still be with the CAA. We wish Julia all the best for her new role. Deidre Utupo and Julie Bannatyne have ably stepped in to be your first CMU contact persons.

All at CMU thank you for your assistance. If there is anything you wish covered in a next Update, kindly e-mail your request to us.