

**SECTION 2.10****FLIGHT CREW CERTIFICATE****CHIEF FLYING INSTRUCTOR APPROVAL****REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUE**

1. A person shall not act as a Chief Flying Instructor unless written authority has been issued by the RA-Aus Operations Manager or approved delegate.
2. A person seeking to act as a Chief Flying Instructor unless approved in writing by the Operations Manager with the written agreement of CASA shall:
  - a. be the holder of a valid Pilot Certificate endorsed with a Senior Instructor Rating; and demonstrate to the Operations Manager, or approved RA-Aus examiner nominated by the Operations Manager, by interview and flight check, their capability to carry out the duties of a Chief Flying Instructor. The interview and flight check will normally be conducted at the location of the proposed Flight Training Facility.
  - b. have attained the age of 21 years;
  - c. undertake, in writing, to conduct all ground and flight training in accordance with the standards, procedures and regulations as specified in this manual, relevant CAR's and CAO's, CASR's and Part 103 as amended from time to time, and
  - e. furnish all the information necessary to satisfy the RA-Aus that the Flight Training Facility for which they will be responsible has properly certificated two place recreational aeroplane(s), documentation, facilities and other equipment, as stipulated in Section 3.01 of this manual, necessary to ensure the proper and adequate training of RA-Aus pilots.

**AERONAUTICAL EXPERIENCE**

3. Prior to making application for the issue of a Chief Flying Instructor Certificate an applicant shall:
  - a. have not less than 200 hours of in-flight experience as an instructor in recreational aircraft and have held an RA-Aus instructor rating for a period of at least 12 months; or
  - b. if having previous experience as a Flying Instructor in sailplanes, or aeroplanes other than recreational aircraft, have completed at least 300 hours of in-flight experience as a Flight Instructor and a minimum of 50 hours of in-flight experience as a Flight Instructor in recreational aircraft; or
  - c. if having previous experience as a Chief Flying Instructor in sailplanes, or aeroplanes other than recreational aircraft, have a minimum of 400 hours of in-flight experience as a Flight Instructor. In addition the

applicant must complete a minimum of 25 hours as an instructor in recreational aircraft.

- d. Paragraph 3 c. of this Section notwithstanding, the minimum of 25 hours as an instructor in recreational aircraft, may be reduced to no less than 10 hours at the Operations Manager's absolute discretion. Should the Operations Manager approve a reduction in hours the Chief Flying Instructor and the associated FTF will be limited, by a written directive, to a specific type or types of recreational aircraft that may be operated.

## PRIVILEGES

4. A Chief Flying Instructor Approval authorises the holder to:
  - a. operate and control a specific Flight Training Facility and any Satellite Flight Training Facilities as approved by the RA-Aus Operations Manager or approved delegate; and
  - b. authorise the undertaking of solo flights by an RA-Aus Student Pilot or higher certificate holder; and
  - c. conduct Biennial checks for RA-Aus pilot certificate holders, up to and including pilots holding Senior Instructor Ratings, but not those holding CFI approvals without the written agreement of the Operations Manager or approved delegate; and
  - d. conduct ongoing training and checking with all instructors under his/her control.

## LIMITATIONS

5. A Chief Flying Instructor:
  - a. approval shall lapse anytime the Senior Instructor rating is not valid, and
  - b. shall not conduct instructor training unless they have a written authorisation from the Operations Manager or approved delegate to conduct ground and flight training for Instructor Rating candidates or hold an Instructor Training (IT) Endorsement issued by the Operations Manager or approved delegate.

## PERIODS OF VALIDITY

6. Unless cancelled or suspended by the Operations Manager or approved delegate, a Chief Flying Instructor Approval shall remain in force for such time as the instructor remains responsible for the flight training facility for which the approval was granted.
7. The Chief Flying Instructor Approval and the Flight Training Facility Approval shall only remain in force as long as the facility has had an inspection by either; Operations Manager, Regional Operations Coordinator, Pilot Examiner or approved delegate within a period of two

years since the last inspection or by written extension from the Operations Manager.

8. The Operations Manager may authorise a temporary replacement for a CFI for a period of up to two (2) months on receipt of a written recommendation from the CFI.

**SPECIAL NOTE :** See Section 3.01 - Establishment and Operation of Flight Training Facilities and Satellite Flight Training Facilities.

