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## 1. PURPOSE

This advisory circular is issued to provide guidance to the Tanzanian medical certificate holders operating outside of Tanzania who, due to specific circumstances, are unable to return to Tanzania for a medical examination and license renewal.

In such cases, the Authority may provide license extensions, subject to adherence to defined conditions. These conditions include a medical risk assessment conducted by the Medical Assessor. It is important to note that this extension entails inherent risks and consequences that certificate holders must understand and accept. Furthermore, the extension is subject to specific restrictions to ensure safety and compliance.

## 2. REFERENCES

- 2.1 The Civil Aviation (Personnel Licensing) Regulations, 2017 as amended
- 2.2 ICAO Manual of Civil Aviation Medicine Doc 8984.
- 2.3 TCAA Aviation Medicine Protocols.
- 2.4 TCAA Aviation Medicine Procedure Manual.

## 3. REQUIREMENTS FOR DEFERRAL


To qualify for a deferral, a candidate must hold a valid Tanzanian license and be actively engaged in operations in a state outside of Tanzania, subject to the following specific conditions.

### 3.1 DEFFERAL REQUIRING FOREIGN MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Applicants engaged in Commercial Operations and Private Pilot License holders who intend to extended their licenses beyond six months must undergo a medical assessment conducted by a designated Medical Examiner.

The applicant must have previously completed a medical examination by a Medical Examiner recognized by the state in which they are operating. They must also have obtained a medical certificate corresponding to the medical class required for their license. Additionally, the submission of a complete medical report, including all conducted investigations, to the Authority Medical Assessor via email is mandatory.

Both the medical certificate and the accompanying reports must include the signature and stamp of the Medical Examiner to ensure their authenticity.

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### **3.2 Deferral Not Requiring Foreign Medical Examination**

Crew members operating aircraft in non-commercial activities are eligible for a one-time extension lasting up to six months, provided their prior medical records indicate no apparent risk of incapacitation during the extension period.

In this category, crew members are not required to undergo a medical examination in their state of operation unless they seek to extend the initial six-month period.

#### **4. Risk Assessment by Medical Assessor**

The medical assessor shall evaluate the submitted medical reports and accompanying investigations in accordance with the medical standards established by the Authority. This assessment will involve a comparison with any preexisting medical records. The medical assessor will make the final determination regarding the medical assessment conducted by the foreign medical examiner.

#### **5. Duration of Medical Extensions**

The duration of medical extensions shall be determined based on the type of license held and the medical evaluation conducted by the medical assessor, with the following maximum durations specified:

##### **5.1 Non-Commercial Aircraft Crews**


For non-commercial aircraft crew members, the extension shall be limited to a single period of no more than six months.

##### **5.2 Commercial Aircraft**

For crews operating in commercial aviation, the extension duration is restricted to three months, with the option to request two consecutive extensions. Applicants must submit the deferral form and attach medical reports with supporting investigations for each three-month period.

##### **5.3 Private Pilot**

Crew members in the Private Pilot category are eligible for a single extension period of

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up to 12 months. To obtain this extension, they must complete the deferral form and submit medical reports with supporting investigations via email.

**6. Publication of Deferral**

To ensure transparency, the Authority shall publish the details of the deferral on its website or through an Aeronautical Information Circular (AIC), ensuring that the public is informed about the extended duration.



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