



# Australian Government

---

## Civil Aviation Safety Authority

### 5.4.5 Issuing an Endorsement on the Basis of an Overseas Endorsement

You may recognise an aircraft endorsement acquired overseas if:

- The aircraft type/class or its equivalent is listed in the CAOs  
The CAOs include aircraft currently on the Australian *Civil Aircraft Register*, some aircraft previously on the register and aircraft that will be introduced in the near future.
- CASA recognises the overseas training completed for the endorsement as being at least equivalent to the requirements for an Australian endorsement.

#### Verification of Overseas Ratings and Endorsements

Aircraft endorsements, type ratings or other ratings endorsed on an overseas licence or certificate must be verified by CASA with the issuing regulatory authority before issuing an Australian equivalent. This must be in writing by email or fax

**Note:** Equivalent in this context does not mean identical. It means that the training completed by the overseas pilot is consistent with Australian endorsement requirements for the aircraft and what the endorsement authorises the holder to do. CASA must also consider other matters relevant to the interests of the safety of air navigation.

#### Group/Class Endorsements

Some overseas licences contain group (class) endorsements for which there are no Australian equivalents—for example, the USA's Multi Engine Aeroplane (Land) group endorsement.

In these circumstances, the delegate assessing the application may issue the pilot with a:

- Command endorsement for the actual aircraft within the group, if there are Australian equivalents, provided the pilot has either command experience or has successfully completed a flight proficiency check on the type.

The instructor or the approved check pilot conducting the flight proficiency checks usually makes an entry in the pilot's logbook confirming that the pilot is competent to fly the particular type or class of aircraft in command.

- Co-pilot endorsement if the pilot only has co-pilot experience on the type of aircraft and the CAOs provide for a Co-pilot endorsement.

Before issuing the class endorsement, the delegate must check the pilot's logbook to confirm the overseas Command/Co-pilot endorsement on the aircraft type/class and the results of the flight proficiency check.



## Application Requirements

When applying for an Australian endorsement, the overseas pilot must

- Submit the following documentation:
  - Evidence that he or she holds the overseas endorsement. This can be an endorsed licence or other authorisation issued by the responsible aviation authority that issued the licence permitting the pilot to fly the specified aircraft in that country—eg, certification of validation (if the endorsement was obtained in that country), or Special Purpose Pilot Authorisation issued by the FAA to pilots flying US-registered aircraft overseas in some circumstances (issued as command or co-pilot); or
  - Documents confirming the successful completion of an appropriate training course, as well as details of the course; and

Statement from the responsible aviation authority in the country/state confirming that the training completed qualifies the person for the issue of an endorsement in that country/state and would have been put on a licence if the person held a licence.

- Original logbooks
- [Form 639 Flight Crew Photo ID/Student Pilot Licence Application](#)
- [Form 209 Aircraft Endorsement on the Basis of Overseas Qualifications – Application](#)

**Note:** Applicants applying for an endorsement at the same time as a pilot authorisation use [Form 213 CASA Authorisation on the basis of Overseas Qualifications – Application](#).

- Any other documentation that supports the application for recognition of the endorsement  
(For example, letters of approval from overseas aviation authorities authorising the pilots for check duties on the aircraft type)
- Pay the application-processing fee.

