

Revalidation of your licence - At a Glance



Certificate of Experience moving from '5 in 13' to '12 in 24'

Example 1

In this example a Pilot is on the old **5 in 13** rule for their Certificate of experience.

The pilot has had their log book stamped **in August 2025** and therefore they would normally have had **13** months to get the log book stamped by an examiner by **September 2026**. In this transition period, the 5 in 13 expiry date must be adhered to strictly, and cannot be renewed beyond end of September 2026, other than by GST.

Aug-25	
Sep-25	
Oct-25	October 1st 2025 new licensing rules are introduced
Nov-25	
Dec-25	
Jan-26	
Feb-26	13 months
Mar-26	
Apr-26	
May-26	
Jun-26	
Jul-26	
Aug-26	
Sep-26	The pilot now moves to the 12 in 24 rule and receives a 'ratings page' from their examiner or CAA
Oct-26	1
Nov-26	2
Dec-26	3
Jan-27	4
Feb-27	5
Mar-27	6
Apr-27	7
May-27	8
Jun-27	9
Jul-27	10
Aug-27	11
Sep-27	12
Oct-27	13
Nov-27	14
Dec-27	15
Jan-28	16
Feb-28	17
Mar-28	18
Apr-28	19
May-28	20
Jun-28	21
Jul-28	22
Aug-28	23
Sep-28	24

As of 1st Oct 2025 a log book stamp/sticker **can no longer be used for revalidations**

Holder can revalidate up to 3 months prior to expiry

The pilot has now migrated to the 12/24 rule and has to satisfy the examiner that:

They have flown 12 hours in 24 months, 6 hours of which must be in the second year, 1 hour of which must be with an instructor and a minimum of 12 take-offs and landings.

Revalidation possible at any point in second 12 months if all hours requirements met (while retaining expiry date)

Rating must be revalidated by Microlight examiner prior to expiry. After satisfying the minimum requirements the examiner completes their rating page for a further 24 months

Remember

- Your refresher flight with the instructor can be flown at **any time** in the 24 months
- Of the minimum 12 hours you can have up to 6 hours with an instructor count towards your requirements
- You can revalidate your licence at **any point** in the second 12 months without losing currency from your original expiry month