

Flying NZ Microlights

Welcome to Flying NZ Microlights!

Flying NZ has made a commitment to the future of recreational aviation in New Zealand. We will continue to develop and support recreational flying to secure the future of Aero Clubs. Part of this process will be introducing new ideas and facilitating a more inclusive approach to recreational aviation groups.

As a result we are working proactively to guide and assist our member clubs in their sport and recreational activities including incorporating more Microlight aircraft. We have experienced members of the Executive that are available to advise clubs on how to manage new ideas, facilitate change and most importantly improve Risk Management, which forms a vital component of any organisations survival.

Aero Club flying, no matter the aircraft type or age of the pilot is for sport and recreation, personal achievement, fun and most importantly of all flying in a safe environment. If you're a Microlight Pilot looking for the next new challenge join your local Flying NZ Aero Club and 'live to fly'.



Photo supplied by John King

History

Flying NZ was first issued with their Aviation Recreation Organisation Certificate under the Civil Aviation Rule Part 149 in 2006. This authorised Flying NZ for -

Personnel Certification Microlight to:

- Administer pilot certificates and ratings
- Administer pilot instructor certificates
- Assess pilot and instructor competence
- Conducting Microlight pilot and instructor examinations

This allowed Flying NZ Aero Clubs to train and issue Microlight Pilot Certificates for those who had completed their Microlight training. The New Zealand Civil Aviation Authority supported Flying NZ as a Delegation Holder to ensure Microlight training was of a very high standard. To achieve this all training was conducted to a Part 61 standard which matched the PPL licence.

What's happened since then with Part 103

Flying NZ has continued to work closely with the New Zealand Civil Aviation Authority to make it easier for prospective Microlight Pilots to achieve their goal.

Our Successes

- Removed the requirement for 5 hours instrument flight training
- We still accept Part 61 Exam Credits
- We also accept Examination Credits from other Part 149 certified organisations
- In conjunction with Waypoints Ltd we are developing our own examination question bank

Flight Instructors

- Flying NZ is developing a Microlight Flight Instructor Programme
- Presently current Part 61 instructors employed by an Aero Club with the appropriate type rating are authorised by Flying NZ to instruct on Microlights.
- Current Microlight Instructors authorised by another Part 149 organisation can apply to Flying NZ for accreditation.
- A Part 61 'A' or 'B' Category instructor can apply to Flying NZ to become a Microlight Flight Examiner.

Maintenance Providers

- A LAME on application to Flying NZ may become a Microlight Maintenance provider.
- Any other person that can show evidence that they have the skills and knowledge as being able to properly maintain an aircraft can apply to flying NZ to become a Microlight maintenance provider, to maintain aero club owned aircraft.
- Private owners may use a maintenance provider of their own choice.

Applying for your Microlight Certificate- the Process

- Go to the Flying NZ Website/Flying NZ Microlights and download the following Forms
- Form A16- Application for the Issue of a Certificate
- Form A17-Fit and Proper Person Declaration
- Form B16- Microlight Medical Declaration
- Form B12- Flight Training Record
- Form B15- Flight Test Form

Complete the Forms and have them certified by your Aero Club CFI and post along with your \$50.00 Application Fee.

**Post to: Flying NZ
 P O Box 2220
 Taupo 3330**

What does it cost to be involved?

\$30.00 plus GST per year, unless you are already a full member of a Flying New Zealand affiliated Aero Club.

What's in it for me?

- Free Flying NZ Membership Card printed in association with your Aero Club
- Enjoy the benefits of the Membership Card
- \$50.00 Microlight Certificate application fee. You only pay this Fee once.
- Be part of the Pilot Proficiency Scheme designed for Microlight and GA pilots. This scheme promotes safety, encouraging pilots to continue with valuable proficiency training no matter what level they are at.
- Become involved with youth in aviation through our Young Eagles program. The young enthusiastic aviators are the future of the recreational flying, your valued experience, knowledge and expertise is something to be shared!
- Each year in November Flying NZ holds five Regional Competitions we have two dedicated competitions for Microlights, Circuits and Navigation. Take part in these events and you are on your way to the National Championships held in February each year.
- There are also other events on the Regional Calendar that you can win at the Regional competitions and guarantee you direct entry to the National Championships.
- When you belong to an aero club you can become part of the active social scene involving yourself and your Microlight whether its club trips, competitions, dawn gatherings, club dinners, encouraging youth into aviation through the Young Eagles and generally having fun flying in a safe environment.

The benefits far outweigh the costs!

