

HONG KONG AIR CADET CORPS
Training Group
Regulations for the Award of Aviation Badges

1. The Pilot Badge

- (a) To be eligible for the award of the Pilot Badge, a member shall hold
 - (i) a valid Hong Kong Private Pilot License; or
 - (ii) a current military pilot rating; or
 - (iii) another qualification of equivalent or superior standard gained in Hong Kong or overseas accepted for this purpose.
- (b) A member who holds any of the above qualifications but has its validity expired shall, in exceptional circumstances, be eligible for the award of the Pilot Badge by the Commanding Officer, on producing records of adequate flying experience.

2. The Aircrew Badge

- (a) To be eligible for the award of the Aircrew Badge, a member shall
 - (i) have attained at least solo flying standard as a student pilot on a powered aircraft in Hong Kong, whereas the training follows a syllabus of Private Pilot License or above; or
 - (ii) have attained at least passenger carrying standard as a pilot on the Buckeye powered parachute; or
 - (iii) hold a current aircrew rating other than that of pilot; or
 - (iv) hold another qualification of equivalent or superior standard gained in Hong Kong or overseas recognized for this purpose.
- (b) A member who holds any of the above qualifications but has its validity expired shall, in exceptional circumstances, be eligible for the award of the Aircrew Badge on demonstrating an adequate level of flying experience, and on ratification by the Commanding Officer.

3. The Parachute Instructor Badge

- (a) To be eligible for the award of the HKACC Parachute Instructor Badge, a member shall hold
- (i) a valid British Parachute Association (BPA) Basic Instructor or Approved Instructor qualification; or
 - (ii) a current military parachute instructor qualification; or
 - (iii) another qualification of equivalent or superior standard gained in Hong Kong or overseas recognized for this purpose.
- (b) A member who holds any of the above listed parachuting instructor qualifications but has its validity expired shall, in exceptional circumstances, be eligible for the award of the Parachute Instructor Badge on demonstrating an adequate level of parachute instruction experience, and on ratification by the Commanding Officer.

4. The Parachutist Badge

To be eligible for the award of the Parachutist Badge, a member shall have

- (a) successfully completed a Sports Parachuting Beginner's Course, or equivalent; and
- (b) have completed at least five parachute descents.

5. The Glider Pilot Badge

- (a) To be eligible for the award of the Glider Pilot Badge, a member shall hold
- (i) a Gliding New Zealand Qualified Glider Pilot License; or
 - (ii) another qualification of equivalent or superior standard gained in Hong Kong or overseas recognized for this purpose.
- (b) A member who holds any of the above qualifications but has its validity expired shall, in exceptional circumstances, be eligible for the award of the Glider Pilot Badge on demonstrating an adequate level of flying experience, and ratification by the Executive Board.

6. The Glider Aviator Badge

To be eligible for the award of the Glider Aviator Badge, a member shall hold

- (a) a Gliding New Zealand A-Certificate; or
- (b) United Kingdom Air Training Corps (UKATC) Glider Scholarship Silver Wings;
or
- (c) another qualification of equivalent or superior standard gained in Hong Kong or overseas recognized for this purpose.

7. The Advanced Glider Aviator Badge

To be eligible for the award of the Advanced Glider Aviator Badge, a member shall hold

- (a) a Gliding New Zealand B-Certificate; or
- (b) UKATC Advanced Gliding Training Gold Wings; or
- (c) another qualification of equivalent or superior standard gained in Hong Kong or overseas recognized for this purpose.

8. Recommendation and Approval

- (a) The award of aviation badges shall normally in each case be considered and approved by the Commanding Officer, on recommendation by the Chief Staff Officer, following consultation with the Flying Squadron, Aviation Education Wing or the Technical Operations and Support Wing, as appropriate.
- (b) The Chief Staff Officer shall establish whether each case is *prima facie* eligible for the award, seeking guidance from relevant authorities if necessary.

9. Wearing of non-HKACC aviation insignia

Insignia of aeronautical ratings of the Government Flying Service may be worn on HKACC uniforms, in lieu of HKACC aviation badges, by members who are qualified to do so. Permission for the wearing of insignia of aeronautical ratings other than those of the HKACC and GFS is to be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Commanding Officer.

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