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Memorandum

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To: All Flight Standards Divisions
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Subject: Deviation to FAA Order 8900.2, Recent Pilot-In-Command Experience

FAA Order 8900.2, Chapter 3, #6 (Renewal) states that in order to be renewed the designee must continue to meet the eligibility requirements in chapter 2, paragraph 3 and the specific requirements listed in the applicable designee component of chapter 7 for Designated Pilot Examiner's (DPE). The latest revision to this order (Revision 2A) significantly reduces the number of recent Pilot-In-Command (PIC) hours that a designee must maintain for renewal.

Pending publication Revision 2A, the program office supports regions issuing waivers for pilot examiners who fail to meet current guidance, but who have accrued at least the following PIC time in the past twelve months:

Specific Eligibility Requirements for Sport Pilot Examiners

Balloon	At least 5 hours and 3 flights that were of at least 30 minutes duration
Weight Shift	At least 12 hours
Powered Parachute	At least 5 hours
Lighter-than-Air	At least 5 hours

Specific Eligibility Requirements for Pilot Examiner Designees

Airplanes	60 hours airplane category and 10 hours in class
Rotorcraft	least 25 hours in rotorcraft and at least 5 hours in class
Glider	3 hours in the past year of at least 3 flights
L-T-A Airships	40 hours
L-T-A Balloons	5 hours in the past year and 3 flights each of 30 minutes duration.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Jay Kitchens, Branch Manager, AFS-650 at (405) 954-4784.