

SECTION 4.1ACCREDITATION OF PERSONS SUITABLE TO CONDUCT
MAINTENANCE**INTRODUCTION**

1. Aircraft conforming to and operated in accordance with CAO's 95.10, 95.55 and 95.32 are exempt from Civil Aviation Regulations listed in those orders. RA-Aus has responsibility for accrediting suitably qualified and experienced individuals to conduct maintenance on recreational aircraft.

RA-Aus MAINTENANCE AUTHORITIES

2. Four levels of RA-Aus Maintenance Authority may be granted to RA-Aus members:
 - a. Level One: for owner operators to perform and authenticate maintenance carried out only on their own aircraft which are not to be used for hire or reward.
 - b. Level Two: for suitable persons to conduct maintenance on all aircraft or conduct and/or authenticate maintenance on aircraft used for hire or reward.
 - c. Level Three: for suitable persons to act as regional supervisors, coordinators and points of contact for maintenance activities.
 - d. Level Four: for suitable and accredited persons to act as Amateur Built Inspectors in addition to performing the same tasks as defined at point (b).
3. **Level One Maintenance Authority.** Holders of current RA-Aus Pilot Certificates are accredited with the minimum qualifications necessary to maintain their own aircraft. Unless suspended by RA-Aus, RA-Aus pilots are automatically granted RA-Aus Level One Maintenance Authorities.
4. **Level Two Maintenance Authority.** RA-Aus Level Two Maintenance Authorities will be awarded on the basis of qualifications and experience of each applicant. Interim certificates, holders of which are able to exercise all of the privileges of a full accreditation holder, will be issued initially with a validity period of 24 months from the date of the interim accreditation. Restricted Level Two accreditations are deemed to be able to perform line maintenance on training aircraft or aircraft used for hire and reward, unless as otherwise defined by the RA-Aus Technical Manager. Line maintenance is defined at Annex B of this section. It is the duty of care of a Level Two accreditation holder to inform the owner, registered operator or pilot at the

time, of any mechanical defect with an aircraft that would normally prohibit an aircraft from further flight.

5. **Level Three Maintenance Authority.** The RA-Aus Technical Manager will appoint Regional Technical Officers when suitable persons are available. The duties of the Regional Technical Officer will be to assist the RA-Aus Technical Manager to conduct Level Two maintenance checks on aircraft used in flying school operations as requested by the Technical Manager. Regional Technical Officers may perform all tasks and duties requested by the Technical Manager on behalf of the Technical Manager.
6. **Level Four Maintenance Authority.** RA-Aus certificates for the purposes of an Amateur Built Inspector rating will be issued on receipt of the appropriate requirements. To be eligible for an Amateur Built Inspector approval, the applicant will be a Licenced Aircraft Maintenance Engineer in engines or airframes and be a financial member of RA-Aus. The Technical Manager may make a recommendation to the RA-Aus board for persons who do not fulfil the requirements. A positive response from the RA-Aus Board will then be submitted to the CASA for consideration. The CASA will make the final decision on whether to issue the applicant with an Amateur Built Inspector approval.
Note: Only in circumstances of vast unavailability, due to location, of Amateur Built Inspectors or LAMEs, will any request be considered for persons who do not fulfil the requirements.

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6. **Process for the issue of Authorities.** Level One Maintenance Authorities remain current while an RA-Aus member holds current RA-Aus membership and a current RA-Aus Pilot Certificate. Level Two Maintenance Authorities will be issued to persons who are suitably qualified and experienced, on the advice of the RA-Aus Technical Manager. Each applicant will complete the proforma held by the RA-Aus Office for the purpose of assessment and award of interim approval. The RA-Aus Technical Manager will review the application, take advice from other parties as necessary and then decide on the suitability of an applicant to hold an interim Level Two Maintenance Authority. On initial approval, each Level Two Maintainer will be notified that they are eligible for appointment with any limitations on the exercise of the accreditation detailed. From the time of interim approval, each person so accredited must maintain a log of aircraft maintenance and other aircraft technical work completed. The log is to state the date work was completed, a description of the work, the registration of the aircraft work was completed on, the accredited person's name and initials and the name and initials of the owner of the aircraft on which the work was completed.
7. **Accreditation Issue and Renewal.** Interim accreditations may be transformed into full accreditations after 24 months and on substantiation of extensive ultralight maintenance experience. Interim accreditation may be extended for a period of 24 months. On advice of being a suitable person to

hold an RA-Aus Level Two Maintenance Authority, the applicant is to forward the appropriate fee, approved from time to time by the RA-Aus Board, to the RA-Aus Office. On receipt of this fee, the RA-Aus Office will forward an accreditation certificate to the successful applicant. Accreditations will remain current for two years and are the holder's responsibility to keep current. Applicants seeking renewal should forward their accreditations, a log of work completed and the renewal fee, as set from time to time by the RA-Aus Board, to the RA-Aus Office. On receipt, the accreditation may be re-validated and returned to the applicant. Accreditations will only remain valid whilst the holder is a financial RA-Aus Member.

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