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Information for paraglider and hang-glider pilots

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Regulations for foreign pilots

Regulations for foreign pilots based on the publication of the "Basic Requirements for the Recognition of Air Sports Certificates, which do not fall within the area of responsibility of the German Air Crew Regulations (LuftPersV.), specified in Note NFL 1-415-15 (DHV).

- The German Paragliding and Hang Gliding Federation (DHV), on behalf of the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure in accordance with §31c LuftVG, declares, without any formal prerogative and without any time limit, the general recognition of air sport certificates and licences for paragliders and hang gliders, which are not subject to the Air Crew Regulations (LuftPersV.).
- 2. Recognition extends to valid authorisations for paraglider and hang-glider pilots who have their permanent residence abroad and are in possession of a level 4 or 5 Pilot Proficiency Identification Card (IPPI Card) from the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI). Holders of a level 4 IPPI card are not entitled to cross-country flight. Recognition is limited to the type(s) of take-off(s) as indicated in the foreign air sport licence, insofar as these are authorised in the Federal Republic of Germany.
- 3. Recognition authorises foreign pilots to carry out paragliding and hang-gliding take-offs and landings in the Federal Republic of Germany in the same way as they are authorised to do in their country of origin, always carrying a reserve parachute and helmet. Recognition is conditional, on the one hand, on possession of valid third-party liability insurance in accordance with §§ 37 and 43 of the LuftVG (Luftverkehrsgesetz), and, on the other hand, on familiarity with the German flying regulations and the DHV regulations for flying activities (FBO Flugbetriebsordnung). Recognition is limited to non-profit-making paragliding and hang-gliding flights outside any professional activity.
- 4. This recognition does not include foreign qualifications for pilots permanently resident in the Federal Republic of Germany, or foreign qualifications for instructors or attendants and passenger qualifications.
- 5. Holders of foreign paragliding and hang-gliding certificates and licences, which are not included in the general recognition, may apply to the DHV (Deutscher Hängegleiterverband e.V.) for individual recognition,
- 6. Mutual recognition of paragliding and hang-gliding certificates and qualifications issued in the Republic of Austria, Switzerland and Germany remains unchanged.

These regulations take effect on 1 January 2019 Gmund am Tegernsee, 15.11.2018

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