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INTRODUCTION

ACADEMY & STAFF

The Asian Academy of Aeronautics (AAA) is a professional flight training academy established in 1991 in Sri Lanka conducting training from ab-initio to Private, Commercial Instrument, Multi-Engine and Flight Instructor Rating License standards in accordance with Sri Lanka Air Navigation Regulations, and the requirements of UK CAA CAP 53, 54, 608 standards.

The staff imparting instructions at Asian Academy of Aeronautics are well experienced and are in possession of professional licenses issued in accordance with ICAO Annex I standards and requirements.

The academy has trained self sponsored pupil pilots from Europe, Asian and South East Asian countries on private, commercial, instrument and multi-engine license programmes.

Having gained recognition in the region Asian Academy of Aeronautics was approved by the Indian DGCA in October 1993, and that the flying training imparted by AAA to Indian pupil pilots on ab-initio courses leading to private, commercial, instrument and multi-engine licence standards were acceptable to Indian DGCA for the issue/renewal and endorsement of licences issued by Indian DGCA.

Further AAA Head of Trg; was appointed as an “Examiner” by the Indian DGCA to conduct GFTs for Indian pupil pilots for the issue, renewal and endorsement of licences issued by the DGCA - India.

In December 1992, AAA was awarded the contract to train cadet pilots sponsored by the National Carrier of Maldives, M/s Air Maldives Ltd. The Cadets were enrolled on approved CPL/IR, MER courses, meeting the licencing requirements of Male-DCA.

In May 1997, the academy was awarded the opportunity to train cadet pilots sponsored by Maldivian Air Taxi Ltd., a private operator based in the Republic of Maldives, today the largest “float plane“ operator in the region.
TRAINING NOW EXTENDED TO REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES.

Due to extensive security and airspace restrictions, the training programs conducted in Sri Lanka are being adversely affected, resulting in extended time frames and undue additional costs incurred by pupil pilots during the training phases.

Hence, Asian Academy of Aeronautics now extends its flight training programs to the Republic of Maldives in order to overcome these predicaments and to provide a “restriction free” training environment to pupil pilots, to complete their courses in the usual course duration. Eg: a PPL to complete in 3-4 months, not in 10 months…a CPL to complete in 10-12 months, but not in 3 years……etc,

The Academy will continue to conduct training from ab-initio to commercial, instrument, multi engine, asst:flt; instructor license/rating standards, in phases, in accordance with the Civil Aviation Dept of Maldives (CAD) FCL requirements and further meeting JAR-FCL compliant/standards as well. The academy will also cater to pupil pilots from the region and meet the flight time requirements of their respective CADs.

LOCATION

AAA is based in South Attol, at Gan International Airport, formerly a prominent RAF base in the region. This is also a well known travel destination, surrounded with resorts for those very up market foreigners/travellers, often arrive in their private jet aircraft. An extremely a scenic environment, has year round good weather.

The aerodrome is located 294 NM south of Male international airport, which takes approximately 1 hr 20-30 mts flying time in the DH-Dash-8-400, operated by the country’s domestic airline, Maldivian (Q2).

WEATHER

Good weather conditions prevail throughout the year, except for a few months, during the Monsoon period. The temperatures average between 20C to 32C.

It is noteworthy to mention that the Gan International Airport is in the Southern Hemisphere, south of the Equator.
FACILITIES

The facilities at the Academy consist of spacious lecture rooms for private and Commercial pilot programmes, a library, Procedure trainer/ FTD, PCATD, a flight briefing room, a technical work shop including facilities to enable the maintenance of the academy’s fleet of aircraft.

Gan aerodrome offers a concerte non-precision runway, 8700 ft, incorporated with published VOR/DME, GPS and NDB approaches, along with PAPI with full air traffic control on 24H basis, weather service station, AIS… etc. A feasibility being carried out for the installation of “precision approach” at present, not only to facilitate training requirements but also to meet the “landing aid” requirements of those proposed schedule carriers arriving from Europe as well.

A gymnasium, tennis courts, an internet café, a resort hotel “Equator” with a coffee shop… etc., all located adjacent to the aerodrome. Students may patronize these institutes during their leisure hours, without any interruption to the academic routine.

Air transportation from Gan to main city Male is available, 3 to 5 flights on daily basis, operated by the country’s national carrier “Maldivian” and Trans Maldivian Airline (TMA), operating DH Dash-8 and ATR-42 types respectively. The flying time is approximately 1 Hr 15mins, flying over most of the resort islands.
TYPES OF COURSES

PROFESSIONAL LICENCE – MODULAR & INTEGRATED COURSES.

COMMERCIAL PILOT LICENSE AND INSTRUMENT RATING –

SYLLABUS

Flight and ground training will be conducted in accordance with the Civil Aviation Dept of Maldives (CAD) FCL and JAR-FCL requirements.

DURATION

The course duration will be approximately 10-12 months.

LICENSE

The commercial pilot license will be issued with a single-engine instrument rating [CPL/IR] or a multi-engine instrument rating [CPL/IR/ME]. Refer to ‘THE COMMERCIAL PILOTS LICENCE COURSE - OPTIONS’ on page 8 for further details.

AGE

The minimum age for the issue of a SPP is 17 yrs. However the Student will have to be at least 18 years of age at the time of the General flight test [GFT], for the issue of CPL.

TRAINING SCHEDULE

Flight Training - Shall comprise a total of 180 hours (dual-80,pic-100) to include all progress tests, of which up to 20* hours may be instrument ground time, 50 hours solo cross country ,05 hours night flying , 50 hours of instrument time out of which 20* hrs in FTD, adequate solo/dual general handling time in preparation for the General Flight Test (GFT) and the Instrument Rating Test (IRT). (Above applicable for Integrated CPL/IR program)
Ground Training - A minimum total of 500 hours of instructions, which will include, classroom work, interactive video, slide/tape presentation, learning carrels, computer-based training, and other media approved and agreed by the FCL., in suitable proportions.

The subjects -

MALE-CAD / JAA-FCL GROUP OF SUBJECTS


   Engines / Airframes / Instruments / Systems / Airworthiness

[3] Flight Perf; and Planning


[7] Operational Procedures

[8] Principles of flight

[9] Communication

Initial ground school will be based on the PPL syllabus, refer page 8 for the subjects. Upon completion of the PPL syllabi, the above ground school program will be commenced.
COURSE MATERIAL

The following course material will be provided by the Academy -


EXAMINATIONS

The applicants will bear the cost of all the examination fees, including the JAA-FCL/Male CAD CPL [Navigation Group], at the first attempt, and thereafter if any additional attempts are required to complete examinations.

Prior to sitting for the examinations, students must achieve high grades at the academy progress examinations conducted by the Ground Instructors and have completed a minimum of 40 flying hours.
## THE COMMERCIAL PILOTS LICENCE COURSE – OPTIONS (B-H)

### TRAINING SCHEDULE [HOURS]

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(Prices are subjected to change without notice).

### AIRCRAFT TYPES

[a] C 150 - Cessna 150 [Single Engine Basic Trainer] -
Incorporated with VOR, Transponder with Mode ‘C’, utilized for initial ab-initio training


[c] C 172RG “Cutlas” [Single Engine Complex/Instrument Trainer] -
Incorporated with ILS/VOR, ADF, DME, Markers, Transponders with Mode ‘C’ with a CSU propeller enabling complex single engine aircraft experience, and transition to complex twin engine training, and an additional class rating and utilised for CPL skill test/GFT.

[d] PA/23 - Piper PA-23 Aztec [Twin Engine Complex Trainer] - Incorporates with ILS/GS/VOR, DME, ADF, Markers, Transponders with Mode ‘C’ and Auto Pilot Altimatic III (Optional) enabling multi engine ratings and utilized on the advanced commercial phase on specific course options.

[d] FTD Frasca-142/SE - Incorporates with ILS/GS/VOR, DME, ADF, Markers, Flaps, U/G, with FI station with “plotter”. Authorised a maximum of 20 hrs out of 50 hrs, in accordance with JAR-FCL.

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• **Options A**

  Maldives-CAD (M-CAD) / ICAO – Private Pilot Licence.

• **Options B**

  Maldives -CAD (M-CAD) / ICAO - CPL/IR/MER Licence- Integrated.

• **Option C**

  Maldives -CAD (M-CAD) / ICAO - CPL/IR Licence - Integrated.

• **Options D - G**

  Maldives -CAD – CPL- Modular - (IR RESTRICTED)

• **Option H**

  Maldives -CAD – IR - Modular -

• **Option I**

  Indian -DGCA - CPL/IR/MER flying time requirement.

• **Option J**

  Class Rating Multi piston class – PA-23 Aztec

• **Option K**

  Hour building programs meeting respective DGCA/CAA License requirements. Prices at request based on requirements.

• **Option L**

  Male-CAD- CPL., with 5 hrs SE complex time.

Note:-

*Applicant shall bear the cost of examination & licensing fees where necessary and Class I medical, of M-CAD

*Entry with a *PPL, subject to assessment will be given credit accordingly and will follow CPL modular program.

*Course fee includes flying time as stated in "course options" + relevant theoretical knowledge hours + course material + AAA Flying Log Book + 3 sets of uniform shirts
PRIVATE PILOT LICENCE

SYLLABUS

Flight and ground training will be conducted in accordance with the Civil Aviation Regulations of the Department of Civil Aviation, Maldives. (M-CAD) and compliant with JAR-FCL as well.

DURATION

The course duration will be 3 – 4 months, based on applicants ability to clear exams in the first attempt and flying standards being maintained to a average level.

AGE

The student will have to be at least 18 years of age at the time of the General flight test [GFT], for the issue of PPL.

LICENCE

The Private Pilots licence will be issued with a single engine class rating by M-CAD meeting ICAO Annex- 1 requirements and JAR-FCL compliant.

COURSE CONTENTS

Flying time will be a minimum of 35 hours, which will include General handling, 3 hours of Cross country, and 2 hours of instruments (Appreciation), and including a minimum of 10 hours of Solo time, in addition to the final flight test.

A minimum total of 150 hours of ground instructions, which will include, class room work, inter-active video, slide/tape presentation, learning carrels, computer based training, and other media approved and agreed by the FCL, in suitable proportions in the following subjects:

[1] Aircraft knowledge / Check list procedures.

[2] Engines / Airframes / Instruments / Systems / Air worthiness


COURSE MATERIAL

The following material will be provided by the Academy for the Private Pilot Students -

[1] Text books “Air Pilots Manual series” and JAR-FCL recommended PPL study books, covering relevant ground subjects, notes, video presentations...... etc.


PRIVATE PILOT WRITTEN EXAMINATION

The examination will be conducted in alternate months or as required, with the consultation of Male-CAD

COST OF THE COURSE  -  US $ 8,804/- -

NIGHT RATING

An applicant desirous of obtaining a “night rating, the privileges of the license are to be exercised at night, at least 5 additional hours flight time in airplanes shall be completed at night comprising 3 hours of dual instruction including at least 1 hour of cross-country navigation and five solo take-offs and five solo full-stop landings. This qualification will be endorsed on the license as a Night Rating.

COST OF THE COURSE  -  US $ 8,804/- -

[Prices are subject to change without notice]
MULTI - ENGINED RATING

COURSE OBJECTIVE AND SYLLABUS

The objective of the course is to give the candidate a sound theoretical knowledge of multi-engine aircraft operation and to teach the skills required for the safe and competent operation of such aircraft. The flight and ground training are conducted in accordance with the training syllabus approved by the Male-CAD and JAR-FCL requirements.

DURATION

The course duration will be approximately 7-10 days, however will depend on the number of students enrolled in a course, currency and ability of the candidate.

PRE - REQUISITES

Candidates must have minimum of 150 hrs total flying time and possession of a PPL or higher category, current license / and medical.

Applicant with multi-engine aircraft experience and graduates from an approved CPL/ IR (ME) ab-initio course, will be exempted from mandatory multi-engined training programme.

Further, candidates are expected to be in current flying practice and if necessary 02 hours of brush up / evaluation may be carried out in a single-engined (C 150 / 172RG) aircraft prior to ME training.

TRAINING SCHEDULE

Flight Training -

Flight training on PA-23 Aztec “multi-engine, piston class, will be minimum of 7 hours, which will consist of Initial “class rating” Conversion, General Handling & Circuits, Introduction to Asymmetric, Critical & Safety Speeds, Asymmetric Circuits & Performance and (Appreciation) Instrument time.
Ground training -

Will comprise 10 hrs of ground training, including inter-active video, covering Aircraft systems  VP Propellers / Feathering, Principle of ME Flight, Minimum Control & Safety speeds, Effect of engine Failure on Systems, Weight & Balance, Weight & Performance.

(Above said requirements are to be regarded as minimum)

COURSE MATERIAL AND EXAMINATION

The candidate will be provided with the relevant course material, operators hand book, check list, lesson plans and accommodation by the academy for a period of 30 days. Male -CAD type technical, SPL, PPL/Endorsement and CRE fees to be bourn by the applicant.

COST OF THE COURSE - US$ 3638/- (Course being developed)

In the event that the student exceeds 07 hrs or requires more flying hours to meet a specific licence / rating requirements of a respective CAA/ DCA, each additional hour will be charged at the prevailing rate.

[Prices are subject to change without notice]
ABRIDGED/MODULAR FLIGHT TRAINING COURSES - CPL/IR

Applicants with previous experience could enrol for Abridged/Modular training programmes.

Prior to enrolment, the experience in both flight and ground training will be evaluated and credit will be given accordingly, with consultation with FCL of Male-CAD.

The holder of a valid PPL [A] with a frozen CPL meeting the experience / requirements in total PIC, cross country, Instruments and night flying as specified for a CPL/ IR licence, may enroll for an Abridged/ Modular course of training consisting a minimum of 25 flying hours for the General Flight Test [GFT].

If the PPL [A] includes an Instrument Rating [IR] and meets with the above mentioned requirements for a Commercial Pilot Licence the course of approved training may be further reduced to not less than 15 hours dual with prior approval by the authority.

Flight time in Microlight Aeroplanes or in Self Launching Motor gliders may not be counted towards satisfying any of the experience / requirements specified for a Commercial, Instrument Pilot Licence.

Candidates enrolling on “hour building” programmes, having completed CPL written other than that of Male-CAD/JAR-FCL will be required to complete the full Male-CAD/JAR-FCL Group of papers conducted by the Male-CAD, if seeking a CPL/IR issued by MCAD.

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FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR COURSE

COURSE OBJECTIVE AND SYLLABUS

The objective of the course is to train a candidate to be a professional “Flying Instructor” by imparting a sound theoretical and practical knowledge of proper patter training and instructional skills. The flight and ground training are being conducted in accordance with the training syllabus approved by the Male-CAD, and applicants meeting JAA-FCL 1.335 requirements.

DURATION

The course duration will be approximately 2-3 months, however will depend on candidate’s currency and ability.

PRE-REQUISITES

Candidate must have a current CPL. with a minimum of 150 hrs. P.I.C. and hold a Class I medical.

TRAINING SCHEDULE

Flight Training -

Flight training on Cessna 150 and Cessna 172 RG “Complex” will be used, a minimum of 25 hrs dual, which will consist of patter training on effects of controls of an aircraft, taxing, straight & level, climbing & descending, turning, stalling, spinning, circuits & landings, steep turns, PFLs, Navigation & Instruments and 5 hrs on “mutual” flying for practice purposes. The GFT will be additional to the course training time.

Ground Training –

Will comprise 126 hrs of minimum ground training which will include, classroom work, inter-active video, slide/tape presentation, learning carrels, computer based training, and other media approved and agreed by the FCL, in recommended proportions.

(The above said requirements are to be regarded as minimum and will be extended depending on the candidate’s performances.)
COURSE MATERIAL AND EXAMINATION

The candidate will be provided with the relevant course material, check list and lesson plans. Male -CAD type technical, SPP / Endorsement and CRE/GFT fees to be bourn by the applicant.

COST OF THE COURSE - US$ 6720/- (Course being developed)

In the event the student exceeds the allocated hours or requires more flying hours to meet a specific requirements of a respective CAA/DCA, each additional hour will be charged at the prevailing course rate.

[Prices are subject to change without notice]
ENROLLMENT / ADMISSION

Applicants for the Professional licence courses should possess the minimum educational qualification of GCE ‘O’ levels with passes in English language, Maths and Physics or General Science and preferably two passes in the GCE ‘A’ levels and be able to speak, read, write and understand the English language. Further applicants are required to submit an affidavit by an attorney-at-law certifying the ability to swim.

However candidates are advised to liaise with their prospective employers / national / carrier(s) with regard to entry requirements, prior to enrolment.

Applicants when submitting the enrolment form for course reservations are required to forward a sum of US$ 250/- being a non-refundable registration fee.

Applicants for Private Pilot license need not have any minimum educational qualification, however a reasonable aptitude in maths will be an added advantage.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Payment should comply with the terms as specified in the respective types of courses and paid by an International bank draft in UNITED STATES DOLLARS [US $] drawn in favour of M/S ASIAN ACADEMY OF AERONAUTICS (PVT) LTD.

Commercial Pilot License - Professional Licence

At the time of enrolment a deposit of 20% of the course fee to be deposited, and the balance in four equal instalments.

Private Pilot License

At the time of enrollment, a deposit of 38% of the course fee, and the balance in three equal installments.

Please note however, students individual accounts should always have a credit balance, if not the training will be temporarily suspended until the account is credited with sufficient funds.

In the event of an increase in fuel price, students will be required to pay the balance/next instalments along with the “fuel escalation fee”. 

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DURATION

Duration of the courses will be as specified in the types of courses. However will depend on individual Student ability in both ground and flying, application and weather conditions etc......

If the duration exceeds the specified period due to frequent absenteeism due to lack of interest by the student, the Student will have to bear the cost of any price increases and the balance training will have to be done at the new/prevailing rates.

APTITUDE

Students aptitude in flying will be evaluated at the initial stages of flight training and will be informed within 15 hours of flying, if lacking in aptitude.

In such a situation, the student may require more flying hours that is specified to complete the course. Any such additional flying hours done will be charged at the prevailing flying rates.

If found incompetent to fly, the training will be discontinued and the balance in course fees will be refunded in accordance with the Company Refund Policy as specified on page 19.

DISCIPLINE

Self discipline is stressed and the Academy students will be provided with three sets of Uniform shirts to maintain a tidy appearance at all times. Students are required to bring along with them, 3 sets of black trousers at the time of enrolment. Closed black shoes with socks to be worn always. Students are expected to be punctual and comply with the laid down training programmes both in flying and ground school.

The student is to be medically fit when reporting for training and if not should inform the respective instructor.

Students will not be permitted to fly under medication / drugs or after consumption of Alcohol, and it is the responsibility of the respective students to be in compliant at all times.
**AIR CREW MEDICAL/STUDENT PILOT LICENCE**

Students seeking enrolment on CPL courses, are required to undergo a Class 1 medical conducted by the Male-CAD appointed Pilots Medical Board, prior to commencement of flying training.

Students enrolled on PPL courses will be required to undergo a Class 2 medical. However candidates desirous of training towards a professional license, are advised to complete a Class 1 medical. The results to be forwarded to the Licensing office of the Male-CAD, along with two stamp size photographs and the licensing fee, in order to obtain the Student Pilot Permit [SPP].

Applicants in possession of current medicals issued by Sri Lanka, Singapore, Malaysia, JAA States will be accepted by the MCAD.

The SPP [Student Pilot Permit] is valid for a period of one [01] year from the date of the medical examination and it is the responsibility of the student pilot to renew and maintain the currency of the SPP, until a higher licence [PPL or CPL] is awarded.

Similarly, students in possession of a Private Pilots License [PPL] who are continuing their training towards the Commercial Pilots License [CPL] are to maintain their PPL current.

If flown with an expired license, hours flown since the expiry date will be withdrawn by the authority and the log book will be endorsed accordingly.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENT**

The ground school lectures, flight training and examination are being conducted in English language. As such students are required to be proficient in the English language. In addition, students are required to be in compliant with ICAO Annex-1 “English language Proficiency” and obtain minimum “level-3” at the rating/evaluation conducted by the CAD nominated panel.

**STUDENT PROGRESS**

Daily assessments and routine progress checks in flight training as well as in the ground school subjects will be carried out by the Academy instructors. If the standards are not met, termination from the course will normally be recommended.

Sponsors / Guardians are welcome to the Academy to check and discuss the progress of their respective students with prior appointment with HT/or CFI.

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INSURANCE

The student will be provided with an accident insurance cover up to a maximum of US$ 200,000/- during flight training. Students may enhance at their discretion. Students are required to purchase a suitable “health cover” adequate to cover the duration of the training phase.

RECOGNITION OF LICENCE

Civil Aviation Dept; of Maldives (M-CAD) has approved the pilot training programmes conducted by AAA, which are in accordance with MCAD and JAR-FCL requirements. M-CAD is a signatory to the ICAO [International Civil Aviation Organisation] Convention. The “Licenses and Ratings” issued by M-CAD are meeting ICAO Annex-1 requirements and in compliant with JAR-FCL-1 requirements as well. Hence the licenses/ratings issued by MCAD will have the recognition amongst the ICAO member state countries.

ACCOMMODATION

The academy will provide accommodation for those pupil pilots enrolled on courses conducted by AAA at a separate cost.

VISAS

Students enrolled at AAA will be required to obtain a “student visa” prior to arrival in Maldives. Academy will process the necessary “student visa” for the course duration. In this respect students are required to submit a colour copy of Passport pages, showing picture, self details, date of Issue/ Expiry along with 4 passport size photographs to the academy administrator. The process will take 14 days.

REFUND POLICY

If the training is discontinued due to lack of aptitude or at the discretion of the student, the account will be debited with the cost of the ground school administrative fee and the flight training conducted as of termination, plus a discontinuation fee of 5% of the total course fee. The balance will be refunded within 30 days from the date of termination in local currency.