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SUBJECT: Interagency Helicopter Pilot Card

DISTRIBUTION: Helicopter Operations

DISCUSSION: The information comprised within this bulletin is to notify government and industry that a new Interagency Helicopter Pilot Qualification Card will be issued commencing 1 October 2012. Previously issued pilot qualification cards shall continue to remain valid until the card expiration date.



The card is comprised of three parts. Clarification of card information and use follows:

1. General Information

- ◆ Company – The card is only valid for the company under contract.
- ◆ Authorized Aircraft – More than one aircraft may be approved. Ensure aircraft operated are under contractual agreement with the company so annotated.
- ◆ Expiration Date – End date for which the pilot is authorized to perform any contracted service. The date is based on the policy requirement of 100 hours in twelve months.

2. Card Status

- ◆ Interagency – Authorized for interagency operations.
- ◆ DOI only – Authorized for a specified contractual agreement with the DOI, only.
- ◆ USFS only – Authorized for a specified contractual agreement with the USFS, only.
- ◆ Initial – Indicates first issuance of special use mission approval.
- ◆ Renewal – Indicates subsequent issuance.
- ◆ Re-Issue – Indicates issuance due to an unusual circumstance. For example, a lost or damaged card or re-issue due to revocation or suspension.
- ◆ Added Skill – Indicates an added special use mission skill not originally assessed or may annotate approval of an additional authorized aircraft.
- ◆ Inspector Comments – May be used to provide any clarification, as deemed appropriate. For example, added skill due to an additional authorized aircraft or re-issue due to lost card.

	USDA / USDI HELICOPTER PILOT QUALIFICATION CARD	
Pilot Name: _____ <small>(Last, First, MI)</small>		
Company: _____		
Authorized Aircraft: _____		
<small>OAS-30B(10/12) 5700-3A</small>		
Expiration Date: _____		

CARD STATUS			
Interagency ()	DOI Only()	USFS Only()	
Initial()	Renewal()	Re-issue()	Added Skill()
Inspector Comments: _____			

Issued By: _____ <small>(Printed Last Name)</small>		_____ <small>(Agency & Home Unit)</small>	

<small>(Inspector's Signature)</small>			
Issue Date _____			

3. Special Use Mission Qualification

- ◆ Approved column – The helicopter Inspector Pilot shall initial those missions for which the pilot is authorized to perform.
- ◆ Date Expires – Users must ensure that the required special use mission has not expired. This indicates the expiration date of missions that require recurrent flight evaluations. If there is no expiration date, that special use mission does not expire.
- ◆ Flight Evaluation Completed *For Inspector Use only* – Initials and agency of the inspector pilot who conducted the flight evaluation as well as the aircraft used to conduct the flight evaluation. Users should note that this information provides historical data for use by helicopter inspector pilots. Authorized aircraft are annotated on the front of the card.

Pilot Name <small>(Last, 1st Initial)</small>		Date Expires	Flight Evaluation Completed <small>For Inspector Use Only</small>			
Approved	Mission		Initials	DOI	USFS	Make/Model Evaluated
	Low Level (Recon & Surv.)					
	Helitack/Passenger Transport					
	External Load (belly hook)					
	Water/Retardant Delivery					
	Longline VTR (150')					
	Snorkel VTR <input type="checkbox"/> Mirror <input type="checkbox"/>					
	Mountainous Terrain Flight					
	Aerial Ignition: PSD					
	Aerial Ignition: Torch					
	Rappel Operations					
	Cargo Letdown					
	Snow Operations (deep snow)					
	Designated "Pilot Trainer"					
	"Trainee Only" Pilot					
	Short Haul LE <input type="checkbox"/> SAR <input type="checkbox"/>					
	Float Operations (fixed)					
	Platform Landings; Offshore					
	Vessel Landings					
	Night Vision Goggle Operations					
	ACETA Net Gun (all ACETA)					
	ACETA Eradication					
	ACETA Gathering/Capture (Herding)					
	ACETA Darting/Paintball					
	STEP					
	Hoist					

Please contact the appropriate Helicopter Inspector Pilot if you have any questions.

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