To obtain a PNG Flight Crew Licence you need practical experience and theoretical knowledge. You can do this by taking flying lessons at an approved flight school and passing CASA PNG theory exams.

If you would like to fly for sport or recreation only you may choose a private Pilot’s Licence. If you intend to build a career in aviation, you can train towards a commercial pilot licence, or an airline transport pilot licence. For those who wish to fly a drone privately or for business, there are also ways to allow you to do so safely inside PNG airspace.

Besides flying lessons, you will also have to pass a medical examination, pass a ‘fit and proper person’ assessment and demonstrate you’re proficient in the English language.

Depending on your specific aviation goal there are specific requirements for how you can get certified to hold the Papua New Guinea Pilot’s Licence that you want.

The full certification requirements can be found in the Civil Aviation Rule Part 61 and your flying school will help guide you through this process.

PNG Advisory Circulars give further clarity to how you can comply with your requirements. Find the CAR Part 61 advisory Circulars [here.](https://casapng.gov.pg/advisory-circulars-acs/)

**Foreign Licence Holders**

Looking to fly in PNG? You will need a current and valid ICAO licence in order to fly in PNG whether it is a Papua New Guinean or foreign registered aircraft.

An ICAO licence is a flight crew licence issued by any of the[member states](https://www.icao.int/MemberStates/Member%20States.English.pdf) of the International Civil Aviation Organisation.

A Validation Permit is applicable to foreign licence holders who wish to fly in PNG temporarily. This applies to foreign Private Pilots and may be extended to foreign commercial pilots looking to qualify for a PNG Commercial and Air Transport Pilot licences. Find the application form [here.](https://casapng.gov.pg/forms-and-applications/)

Remember to fill in all fields of the application form and sign your Fit and Proper Person Declaration as well as the form itself. There is also an administrative checklist on the form to help you submit the correct information. Doing so saves time in processing you application. CASA will not collect and compile your application for you so we ask that you submit the full package as one .zip

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