

**Regulations of The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand on
Authorized Medical Examiner – AME, Senior Authorized Medical Examiner – SAME,
Medical Assessor, Aeromedical Center - AMC, Aeromedical Office - AMO. B.E. 2560**

To satisfy the licensing requirements of medical fitness for the issue of various types of licenses, the applicant must meet certain appropriate medical requirements, and provide the necessary evidence to satisfy the medical requirements such as any incapacitation injury or illness in excess of 14 consecutive days. By the virtue of section 21 section 47 and section 50 of Air Navigation Act, B.E. 2497 and section 4 of Regulation of Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand 89 Law. The Director General has issued the Announcements of the Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand on Authorized Medical Examiner – AME, Senior Authorized Medical Examiner – SAME, Medical Assessor, Aeromedical Center - AMC, Aeromedical Office - AMO.

1. Announcements of Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand on Regulation of Authorized Medical Examiner – AME, Senior Authorized Medical Examiner – SAME, Medical Assessor, Aeromedical Center - AMC. B.E. 2560.

2. This regulation is effective since the day after announcement.

3. Cancel the Announcements of Authorized Medical Examiner – AME, Senior Authorized Medical Examiner – SAME, Medical Assessor, Aeromedical Center - AMC. B.E. 2557. 19 March B.E. 2557

4. In this Announcement,

“**Authorized Medical Examiner – AME**” means a physician with training in aviation medicine and practical knowledge and experience of the aviation environment, who is designated by the Director General to conduct medical examinations of fitness of applicants for licenses or ratings for which medical requirements are prescribed and issue medical certificate only for the renewal of all classes of medical certificate.

“**Senior Authorized Medical Examiner (SAME)**” mean a physician with training in aviation medicine and practical knowledge and experience of the aviation environment, who is designated by the Director General to conduct medical examinations of fitness of applicants for licenses or ratings for which medical requirements are prescribed and issue medical certificate both for the initial issuance and the renewal of all classes of medical certificate.

“**Medical Assessor**” means a physician, appointed by the Director General, qualified and experienced in the practice of aviation medicine and competent in evaluating and assessing medical conditions of flight safety significance.

“**Aeromedical Group - AMG**” means Aeromedical Group (from now means as Aeromedical Department - AMD) of The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand.

“**Aeromedical Center – AMC**” means Hospital or Clinic where the designated AME/SAME conducts medical examinations of fitness of applicants for licenses or ratings for which medical requirements are prescribed and issues medical certificate both for the initial issuance and the renewal of all classes of medical certificate. The hospital or clinic shall also conduct activities concerning aviation medicine, preventive medicine and clinical aviation medicine. Moreover, aviation medicine education and training, aviation safety and research and development are also necessary.

“Aeromedical Office (AMO)” mean a Hospital or Clinic where the designated AME/SAME conducts medical examinations of fitness of applicants for licenses or ratings for which medical requirements are prescribed and issues medical certificate for the renewal of all classes and the initial issuance of class 2 and class 4 medical certificate only.

“The Authority” means The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand (CAAT).

“Director General (DG)” Director General of The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand.

5. Qualifications and Required Documents for AME/SAME Application
Applicant who wishes to apply to be designated as AME/SAME shall have the necessary qualifications and submit the properly filled application form in conformity with the attached standard form to CAAT, along with the required documents as the following;

(1) Aeromedical Examiner (AME)

(a) Qualifications

1) Hold the valid License to Practice Medicine from the Medical Council of Thailand.

2) Complete the Aviation Medicine training in the course which is accredited by the Director General.

3) Shall be in good health condition.

4) Shall not be in the period of AME designation suspension or in the period of less than two years after the latest AME designation revocation.

(b) Required documents

1) Copy of Doctor of Medicine Certificate.

2) Copy of License to Practice Medicine from the Medical Council of Thailand.

3) Copy of Diploma/Certificate in Aviation Medicine Program which is accredited by the Director General or Copy of Diploma of Thai Board of Preventive Medicine (Aviation Medicine) from the Medical Council of Thailand.

4) Medical Certificate

5) Letter of Consent from the intended medical examination site. If it is not the AMC/AMO where designated by the Director General, the equipment for medical examination shall be declared in complete detail of type and amount.

6) Any other documents which specified by the Director General.

(2) Senior Aeromedical Examiner (SAME)

(a) Qualifications

1) Shall have been designated and practiced medicine as AME for at least five years.

2) Shall hold Diploma of Thai Board of Preventive Medicine (Aviation Medicine) from the Medical Council of Thailand.

3) Shall complete the Continuing Medical Education (CME) in Aviation Medicine according to the specification from CAAT.

4) Shall have experience and familiarity in duty performance of the medical examination applicant.

5) Shall be in good health condition.

6) Shall not be in the period of AME/SAME designation suspension or in the period of less than two years after the latest AME/SAME designation revocation.

In reasonable and necessary condition, the Director General may consider the reduction or exception of the specified qualifications of SAME as seemed appropriate.

(b) Required Documents

1) Copy of Diploma of Thai Board of Preventive Medicine (Aviation Medicine) from the Medical Council of Thailand.

2) Copy of document or evidence representing completion of Continuing Medical Education (CME).

3) Copy of document or evidence which can prove that the applicant has experience and familiarity in duty performance of the medical examination applicant.

4) Medical Certificate

5) Letter of Consent from the intended medical examination site. If it is not the AMC/AMO where designated by the Director General, the equipment for medical examination shall be declared in complete detail of type and amount.

6) Any other documents which specified by the Director General.

(3) Civil Aeromedical Center (AMC)

(a) Qualifications

1) Shall have appropriate place to practice medicine.

2) Shall have adequate AME/SAME.

3) Shall have adequate aeromedical equipment to provide service.

4) Shall provide education or training in aviation medicine.

5) Shall execute study, research and development in aviation medicine.

6) Shall not be in the period of AMC designation suspension or in the period of less than two years after the latest AMC designation revocation.

(b) Required documents

1) Copy of a License to Operate a Sanatorium Business or a License to manage a Sanatorium.

2) Copy of AME/SAME Designation Certificate of AMC Director.

3) Name list of AME/SAME in active service.

4) List of equipment (in description and amount) for aeromedical examination.

5) Aeromedical Curriculum available for training service.

6) Document as evidence of education, research and development in aeromedical concerns.

7) Layout and photo showing each area of the hospital/clinic.

8) Any other necessary documents required by the Director General.

(4) Civil Aeromedical Office (AMO)

(a) Qualifications

1) Shall have appropriate place to practice medicine.

2) Shall have adequate AME/SAME.

3) Shall have adequate aeromedical equipment to provide service.

4) Shall not be in the period of AMO designation suspension or in the period of less than two years after the latest AMO designation revocation.

(b) Required documents

1) Copy of a License to Operate a Sanatorium Business or a License to manage a Sanatorium.

2) Copy of AME/SAME Designation Certificate of AMO Director.

3) Name list of AME/SAME in active service.

4) List of equipment (in description and amount) for aeromedical examination.

5) Layout and photo showing each area of the hospital/clinic.

6) Any other necessary documents required by the Director General.

6. Period of Designation Validity. The Director General shall announce the designation of AME/SAME for each 3 years term.

Issuance of Certificate and Credential for AME/SAME/Medical Assessor. The Director General shall issue Certificate and Credential of AME/SAME/Medical Assessor in conformity with the attached standard form to the qualified designated AME/SAME/Medical Assessor.

7. Renewal of Designation. In case that AME/SAME wishes to apply for the renewal of designation, AME/SAME shall submit the request according to the attached standard form at least ninety days before the expiry date of the recent designation. The AME/SAME shall also submit the document which can represent additional experience in aviation medicine (if available) e.g. copy of training completion certificate, academic conference, academic field visit etc. plus document or evidence showing completion of Refresher Training (if available)

8. Aeromedical group: - make a name list of AME, SAME, consist of, issued date, expired date, AMC, AMO, of the physician and make name list of AMCs or AMO and Announce to the public once a year.

9. Duties and Responsibilities of AME and SAME

(1) Perform medical examination at hospital/clinic designated by the Director General.

(2) Perform medical examination to ensure that the applicant is physically and mentally fit for duty in compliance with the medical standards specified by CAAT and issue medical certificate according to authority of such AME/SAME.

(3) Submit Medical Examination Report which such AME/SAME has considered rejection of medical certificate issuance to Aeromedical Group (AMG) for further consideration according to authority.

(4) Submit copies of Application for Medical Certificate Form, Medical Examination Report and issued Medical Certificate to Aeromedical Group (AMG) monthly with no delay.

(5) Securely store related information and document plus medical examination report of every applicant as classified matter.

(6) Maintain knowledge and continue studying in aviation medicine.

(7) Attend and complete Refresher Training Course organized by Aeromedical Group (AMG) or organization which is accredited by the Director General at least once in four years term.

(8) Study and enhance deep knowledge and understanding in rules, regulations, policies and operating procedures of CAAT regarding Medical Certificate issuance as specified by the Director General.

(9) Establish familiarity and quest for experience in aviation and duty performance of the License Holder and Flight Crew Member.

(10) Shall not issue medical certificate for oneself.

(11) Shall not perform medical examination when there is inadequacy of the latest experience in duty as specified by the Director General.

(12) Perform duty in compliance with rules and restrictions as specified by the Director General.

10. Duties and Responsibilities of AMC and AMO

(1) Regulate and Control AME/SAME duty performance according to Duties and Responsibilities of AME and SAME as indicated.

(2) Specify measures and methods for security protection of information and document concerning medical examination applicant e.g. medical examination record, medical examination report by keeping information and document in the safe place and restriction of information and document access.

(3) Assign one AME or SAME to be responsible for the audit of medical examination report before submission to AMG and notify the name of such AME or SAME to AMG

(4) Enable AME/SAME to attend refresher training conducted by AMG or organization accredited by the Director General.

(5) Perform duty in compliance with rules and restrictions as specified by the Director General.

11. Suspension, Revocation or Renewal Rejection of AME and SAME Designation. Director General may take consideration to execute suspension, revocation or renewal rejection of AME or SAME designation when the fact is obvious that such AME or SAME cannot meet the required qualifications as indicated or violates the rules and responsibilities specified.

12. Suspension, Revocation or Renewal Rejection of AMC and AMO Designation. The Director General may take consideration to execute suspension, revocation or renewal rejection of AMC or AMO designation when the fact is obvious that such AMC or AMO cannot meet the required qualifications as indicated or violates the rules regarding duties and responsibilities specified.

13. Medical Assessor. A physician, appointed by the Director General, qualified and experienced in the practice of aviation medicine and competent in evaluating and assessing medical conditions of flight safety significance.

– Medical assessors evaluate medical reports submitted to the Authority by AME, SAME.

– Medical assessors are expected to maintain the currency of their professional knowledge.

When the fact is obvious that such AME or SAME cannot meet the required qualifications as indicated or violates the rules and responsibilities specified, Medical Assessor submit reports to CAAT.

14. Medical certificate of AME, SAME, AMC, AMO which issued before this regulation take effect continue to be effective, until expired.

15. Medical assessors who have been appointed before this regulation take effect are Medical assessors of this regulation.

16. Application which are submitted before this regulation take effect are speculated by this regulation.

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The Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand