Who is this guide for?

This plain English guide **is for aeroplane category** pilots, flight training providers, aerial work operators and air transport operators. For other categories (for example, helicopter category) please refer to the applicable plain English guide or Part 61.

This guide provides aeroplane category flight crew licensing information to assist you to:

- understand the purposes, functions and key concepts of licensing
- apply for a pilot licence, rating and endorsement
- ☑ understand the privileges and limitations of the licences, ratings and endorsements
- understand circumstances relating to other licences, ratings or endorsements, such as overseas and Australian Defence Force (ADF) recognition, aircraft radio operation, flying without a rating or endorsement, etc.

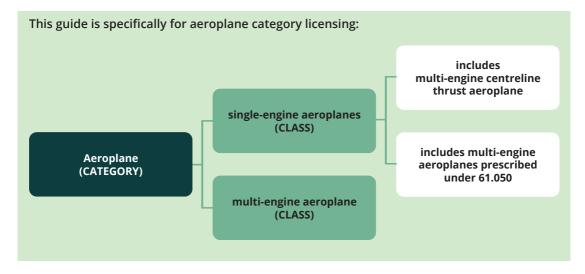
When applying for your initial flight crew licence (FCL) you must also apply for a class or type rating in a specified category of aircraft.

Part 61 (regulation 61.015) applies to the following aircraft categories:

- > aeroplane
- > helicopter
- > powered-lift aircraft
- > gyroplane
- > airship.

Note: Part 61 (regulation 61.020) details 6 aircraft class ratings:

Category	/	Class rating applicable
**************************************	Aeroplane	single-engine aeroplane
		multi-engine aeroplane
	Helicopter	single-engine helicopter
910	Powered lift aircraft	power-lift aircraft
	Gyroplane	single-engine gyroplane
	Airship	airship





Aeroplane means an aeroplane that has flight controls providing control of the aeroplane in three axes. This includes a touring motor glider being operated under the general operating and flight rules (Part 91).