



FLIGHT/DUTY AND OTHER TIME LIMITATIONS – SUBPART 137.Q OF CASR

This subpart sets out requirements for duty and rest times for a pilot who conducts aeroplane aerial application operations.

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Definitions

Resting time, for a pilot, means any time during a tour of duty when the pilot:

- › has no duties to perform
- › has access to accommodation that is conducive to rest and includes a comfortable chair.

Sleeping time, for a pilot, means any time during a tour of duty when the pilot:

- › has no duties to perform
- › has access to a comfortable room that is subject to minimal noise levels, is well ventilated, equipped with a method of controlling the entry of light, and is equipped with a comfortable bed and chair.

Cumulative limit on flight time (flying hours) (137.275)

	28 days	365 days
Maximum flight time	170 hours	1,200 hours

Off-duty period before and after tour of duty (137.280)

Your employment duties (including on call or flight planning) must not:

- › occur within 8 hours of commencing a tour of duty, or
- › continue 8 hours after a tour of duty of 10 hours or less, or
- › continue 10 hours after a tour of duty of more than 10 hours.

Off-duty period each 14 days (137.290)

You must have at least a continuous 36 hours off duty in any 14 days.

Tour of duty – duration (137.285)

You must not undertake a tour of duty that exceeds 14 hours.

Limit on time spent on tours of duty (137.295)

Your tour of duty must not cumulatively exceed:

- › 44 hours in 3 days, or
- › 98 hours in 7 days.

However, if you have at least 1 period of continuous rest of 6 hours during any of the days, then the 3-day or 7-day tour of duty maxima may be increased by 50% of the duration of each resting time.

A maximum tour of duty must not be increased if you would breach any other regulation in this subpart (137.Q). You must not be required to exceed a tour of duty limit.

Variations

Off-duty period after tour of duty (137.280)

Where you have completed a tour of duty of more than 10 hours, your next tour of duty (including on call or flight planning) must not commence within 10 hours. However, if you believe you are mentally and physically **fit** and will not breach any other regulation in this subpart, you may choose to commence after 9 hours.

Tour of duty – duration (137.285)

If you reasonably believe you are mentally and physically able to do so and you will not breach any other regulation in this subpart, you may extend a tour of duty as follows:

- › a 14-hour tour of duty may only be extended by up to 1 hour
- › where you have had 3 or more hours of resting time within the tour of duty, it may be extended by no more than the lesser of:
 - » 50% of the duration of the resting time, or
 - » 2 hours.

If, during a tour of duty, you have had 2 or more hours of sleeping time, the tour of duty may be extended by the lesser of:

- › the duration of the sleeping time, or
- › 3 hours.



When **transitioning from one appendix to another**, alleviation from the off duty requirements may be available (see pages [9](#), [10](#) and [11](#)).