



British Gliding Association

Full Instructor Rating Test Record

How do I become a BGA Full Instructor?

1. Talk to your CFI and check that you have the experience to become a Full gliding instructor
2. Your CFI should arrange a test with the Senior Regional Examiner
3. Complete Part 1, 2 & 3 below
4. Ensure that this document, with Part 1, 2 and 3 completed, is handed to the test examiner on the first day of your test. *BGA examiners are not authorised to carry out the test without the necessary information*
5. On successful completion of the test, a copy of the completed Parts 1 – 4 (pages 1 - 6) must be attached to the Full Rating Application form BGA Instructor Form 1 and forwarded to the BGA office

Please complete Parts 1, 2 and 3 below as soon as practical prior to attending the test. And good luck!

Part 1 – Certificate of Medical Fitness

One of the following declarations must be signed. Delete where not applicable.

A. My Declaration of Fitness is held by the _____ Club
and countersigned by Dr. _____ on ____ / ____ / ____

B. My CAA Medical Reference No is _____
and I was last medically examined and declared fit on, or about ____ / ____ / ____

Signed _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

Name _____ Email _____

Tel _____ Mobile _____

Part 2 – Experience

Gliding Badges, Dates / Numbers

A		B	
Bronze		Cross Country Endorsement	
Silver Height		Silver Distance	
Silver Duration		Silver Badge No.	
BGA 100 km Diploma:	Part 1	Part 2	
Gold Height		Gold Distance	
Gold Badge No.			
Diamond Height		Diamond Goal	
Diamond Distance		Diamond Badge No.	

Assistant Instructors Course

Date of Course	Location
Coach I/C Course	

Total Gliding Experience to Date

Solo	Hrs.	Launches
Instructing	Hrs.	Launches
P2	Hrs.	Launches
Cross Country	Kms	

Experience in the Last 12 Months

Solo	Hrs.	Launches
Instructing	Hrs.	Launches
P2	Hrs.	Launches
Cross Country	Kms	

PLEASE GIVE DETAILS OF ANY ACCIDENTS TO GLIDERS YOU WERE FLYING:

Part 3 - Preparation for the Full Rating Test

Candidates should read through the BGA Instructor Manual & BGA Theory Manual some weeks before their course. Having revised the lessons thoroughly, the exercises should then be practised in the air with the CFI or a senior instructor who will correct any errors, or more important, the demonstration. These flights will also provide an opportunity to 'brush up' the candidates general instructing skills and airmanship. The CFI must sign below to approve the intended test.

I certify that I have flown with the above and made the following assessment of his / her flying.

	Assessment	Sign
Lookout		
Airmanship		
Instructing Skill		
Briefing Skill		
Soaring Skill		
Supervisory Skill		

As the candidates CFI, I am satisfied that his / her standard of flying is adequate to be tested as a full rated instructor.

CFI Signed _____

Date ____ / ____ / ____

CFI Name _____

Tel _____

Email _____

Mobile _____

Part 4 - The BGA Full Rating Test

Place of Test _____ Candidates Name _____
 (Block Capitals Please.)

The Examiner should tick the appropriate column on the following pages. Automatic fail items are marked with double lines. The Examiner's results will be made known to the candidate at the end of the test.

I certify that I have carried out the tests below with the candidate and that he / she has PASSED/FAILED	
Examiners Signature _____	Date ____ / ____ / ____
Examiners Name in Capitals. _____	

FULL INSTRUCTOR RATING - FLYING TEST EXERCISES

A. DEMONSTRATIONS BY THE CANDIDATE OF ABILITY TO TEACH WHILST FLYING:

BASIC EXERCISES: (All to be attempted)

- Ground Handling, preparation for flight, cockpit check
- Take off, climb, release

- Coordination of controls, turns - at least 360°
- Accurate speed control, slow flying, symptoms of the stall
- Look Out, flying with other gliders

- Approach planning, control of glide path with airbrakes, landed at designated point.

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B. EXAMINERS ASSESSMENT OF CANDIDATE'S AIRMANSHIP:

EMERGENCIES: (All to be attempted)

- 'Inadvertent' spin entry from turn, recovery

- Launch failures at awkward height

- ASI or Altimeter failure

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ADVANCED EXERCISES: (Only one of the following is required. Underline exercise given)

- Teaching Cross Wind Landings, steep turns, simulated field landings, approach control on a gusty day, prolonged spins, loops, chandelles

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C. FAULT CORRECTION BY CANDIDATE WITH EXAMINER FLYING

- Noticing & correction of general faults
- Avoidance of Control Interference
- Audibility, ability to select appropriate words
- Ability to give pupil confidence - manner as an instructor
- Ability to achieve good flying discipline

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FULL INSTRUCTOR RATING - GROUND TEST

If different from the flying test:

Place of Test _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____
 (Block Capitals Please.)

The Examiner should tick the appropriate column on the following pages. Automatic fail items are underlined in the 'Unsatisfactory' box. The Examiner's results will be made known to the candidate at the end of the test.

I certify that I have carried out the tests below with the candidate and that he / she has **PASSED/FAILED**

Examiners Signature _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

Examiners Name in Capitals. _____

- Demonstration by Candidate of Ability to give:
- Pre-flight explanations and briefings to pre & post solo pupils.
 - A 5 - 10 min. formal lecture, on a subject selected by the examiner from the basic exercises or ground subjects
 - A considered viewpoint on any one of the following:
 Accident prevention, way in which soaring techniques & technical developments may effect training, improvements which could be made in new two seaters, basic training methods, disciplinary measures.

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Candidates Knowledge & understanding of:
 Principles of flight

- Air Law, Knowledge of Laws & Rules for Glider Pilots
- Gliding Meteorology
- Navigation in Gliders

FULL RATING TEST RESULT

I certify that the candidate has the qualifications and has **PASSED** the flying and ground tests for the BGA FULL INSTRUCTOR RATING.

Examiners Signature _____

Examiners Name in Capitals. _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

ON COMPLETION, PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM ALONG WITH A COMPLETED BGA INSTRUCTOR FORM 1 (available at www.gliding.co.uk). THE FULL RATING IS NOT VALID UNTIL CONFIRMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE BGA OFFICE.

Part 5 - Full Instructor Notes

Revalidation of Full Instructor Ratings

For the detailed requirements see www.glidering.co.uk/instructors

Rating Suspension Following Accidents

If any BGA Instructor has an accident whilst instructing, or a serious accident whilst gliding solo or indulging in any other flying activity, then all the privileges of that rating are suspended automatically. This is not a disciplinary measure, but a safeguard, since there are indications that after an accident any pilot may be at risk of a further accident, or at least suffer a serious loss of confidence or in extreme cases there can be physiological problems. Every effort will be made by the BGA Instructors Committee to investigate such an accident promptly and reinstate the rating as promptly as possible, subject to any action deemed appropriate to minimise the possibility of a reoccurrence. Reinstatement can take place only with the authority of the Chairman of the Instructors Committee through a Senior Regional Examiner.

In the event of an automatic instructor rating suspension at their club, CFI's should liaise with their Senior Regional Examiner who will advise.