

BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION

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BGA BRONZE BADGE APPLICATION

Date Received

Please complete the form in clear block capitals using dark ink
All sections must be completed.

Payment - Please use the attached payment form.
Current fees are on the BGA website
<http://www.gliding.co.uk/forms/bgafees.pdf>

1. APPLICANTS PERSONAL PARTICULARS

Applicants BGA Reference Number (if known)

Title.....Surname.....

Forenames.....Nationality.....

Date of Birth.....Place of Birth.....

Postal Address.....

Post Code.....Email Address.....

Tel No.....Mobile No.....

Preferred contact method – email or letter?

BGA Club.....

2. MEDICAL FITNESS – NPPL MEDICAL DECLARATION OR OTHER MEDICAL STATUS CURRENTLY HELD

Please tick - NPPL Group 1 () NPPL Group 2 () JAR Class 1 () JAR Class 2 ()

3. SOARING FLIGHTS DECLARATIONS (see notes)

First Soaring Flight Duration	Instructor or O/O Name.....
Date.....	Instructor or O/O Signature.....
Method of Launch	

Second Soaring Flight Duration	Instructor or O/O Name.....
Date.....	Instructor or O/O Signature.....
Method of Launch	

4. THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE TEST – BGA FULL RATED INSTRUCTOR / EXAMINER DECLARATION

I confirm that I have tested the candidate and he/she has passed a BGA Bronze Badge theoretical knowledge examination.

Date..... Name.....Signature.....

5. ORAL TEST – BGA FULL RATED INSTRUCTOR / EXAMINER DECLARATION (see notes)

I confirm that I have tested the candidate and he/she has satisfactorily demonstrated an appropriate level of knowledge of aircraft limitations, altimetry, rigging, pre-flight daily maintenance (DI), and NOTAMs.

Date..... Name.....Signature.....

6. FIELD LANDINGS – BGA FULL RATED INSTRUCTOR / EXAMINER DECLARATION (see notes)

I confirm that I have tested the candidate and he/she has satisfactorily met the field landing requirement.

Date..... Name.....Signature.....

7. GENERAL SKILLS TEST – BGA FULL RATED INSTRUCTOR / EXAMINER DECLARATION (see notes)

I confirm that I have tested the candidate and he/she has satisfactorily demonstrated the appropriate level of skill, airmanship and knowledge required.

Date..... Name.....Signature.....

Glider type used.....Location of test.....

8. EXPERIENCE - BGA FULL RATED INSTRUCTOR / EXAMINER DECLARATION (see notes)

I certify that I have examined the pilots log book and confirm that the experience requirement has been met.

Date..... Name.....Signature.....

9. APPLICANTS DECLARATION

I certify that the particulars on this form are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand the privileges and limitations of the gliding certificate, my personal responsibilities including medical fitness and the need to discuss my level of currency with a supervising instructor before flying solo.

Date..... Name.....Signature.....

10. CFI's DECLARATION

I agree that the applicant has received the required training, has provided proof of identification and satisfies the requirements for the issue of a Bronze Badge.

Date..... Name.....Signature.....

Instructions for the applicant

- **This completed form 1-11 together with the appropriate fee and your gliding certificate must be sent to the BGA office**
- If you do not already have a photograph in your certificate, one is required before a Bronze Badge endorsement can be issued.
- All cheques should be made payable to the British Gliding Association and crossed

NOTES FOR INSTRUCTORS AND EXAMINERS

Details of the requirement are in BGA Laws and Rules under BGA Standards, 'Bronze Badge'. The following notes are provided as a practical 'aide memoire' for testing instructors and examiners.

WHO CAN CARRY OUT THE TESTS?

Any holder of a valid BGA Full Rated instructor rating or a valid BGA Examiner authorization can carry out the tests.

CANDIDATE EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT

In addition to completing the necessary training to achieve the standard required, the experience requirement is defined in Laws and Rules as a minimum of 50 solo flights, or 20 flights (solo) and 10 hours (solo) in a glider.

SOARING FLIGHTS

Two soaring flights, each of 30 minutes' duration, if launched by winch, car or bungee. Or each of 60 minutes after release from aerotow at a height not exceeding 2,000 ft above the launch/landing site.

ORAL TEST

The oral element of the Theoretical Knowledge test is normally but not necessarily carried out at the same time as the Skills Test. The oral test must include the following;

Aircraft Limitations – Refer to the glider Flight Manual. The candidate must be aware of and demonstrate the ability to extract an example of operating limitations from the glider flight manual.

Altimetry –The candidate must be aware of altimeter setting procedures and demonstrate a practical example in a glider cockpit.

Rigging – Refer to the glider Flight Manual. The candidate must be aware of how to confirm the correct rigging of a glider including control connections. Candidate must be aware that if in doubt, they must seek qualified help, eg a BGA inspector before the glider flies.

Pre Flight Daily Maintenance –Refer to the glider Flight Manual and the BGA GMS. The candidate must be aware of the Daily Inspection requirement including evidence of completion (ie the DI record). The candidate must be aware of when and how to carry out positive control checks.

NOTAMs - The candidate must describe how to obtain and interpret current NOTAM information from an approved source (for example but not necessarily the AIS website).

GENERAL SKILLS TEST

A minimum of three flights in a dual controlled glider with a Full Rated Instructor who will be satisfied during the BGA Bronze Badge General Skills Test that the candidate has the ability to operate the glider within its limitations, complete all manoeuvres with smoothness and accuracy, exercise good judgement and airmanship, maintain effective lookout, and maintain control of the glider at all times in a manner such that the successful outcome of a procedure or a manoeuvre is never seriously in doubt. During the test the candidate must demonstrate an appropriate level of practical skill and knowledge. The following phases of flight must be assessed;

- Preparation (incl glider, NOTAMs and weather)
- Lookout and airmanship
- Launching
- Circuit
- Straight glide
- Turning

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- Normal approach and landing
- Crosswind approach and landing
- Stalling including wing drop
- Spinning
- Further stalling and spinning
- Launch Failures (at least two)

FIELD LANDING REQUIREMENT

During two approaches into a field or into a marked area of the airfield, the altimeter should be covered or the millibar scale offset for this practice. If a marked area of the airfield is used, it must be so chosen that there is little or no undershoot and that the circuit and approach do not coincide with the normal circuit and approach to the airfield. The test may be carried out separately from the General Skills Test and in a motor glider.

TIMELINE

The flying and ground tests must all be completed within the 12 months prior to the application.

End.