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CAAS INTRODUCES NEW COMPUTER-BASED SYSTEM FOR AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

The Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) has introduced a computer-based examination system for aircraft maintenance engineers to take their licensing examinations. With this new computer-based system, candidates will enjoy greater flexibility and convenience as they can perform most administrative procedures for taking an examination online. The examinations are now held in a dedicated examination centre located at the Singapore Aviation Academy, unlike before where examinations were held in various classrooms. With a dedicated centre and an automated system, more examination sessions can take place in a month, granting candidates more flexibility in their choice of dates. Additionally, the new process, from online registration to obtaining examination results can be completed in less than a week, compared to the previous paper-based manual process that could take up to four months to complete. One key benefit is that candidates are able to know their examination results on the day they complete the exams.

Apart from the convenience and flexibility it brings, the new system also has a special feature that will release a Knowledge Deficiency Report (KDR) with the examination results to highlight the topics which the candidate may need to improve on. This report, along with the examination results will be accessible through the candidate's registered online account within a day after the examination is taken. Candidates will be notified of the release of examination results by email.

To enjoy the benefits of this system, a candidate will have to create an online account. The online account allows the user to access various functions such as the booking, rescheduling and cancellation of an examination booking, payment, printing of receipts and examination result slips, among others. The mode of payment is also more convenient as the system accepts VISA or Mastercard credit or debit cards.

To register, the CBE system can be accessed under the "Application for SAR-66 Examination" link on the CAAS website.