

DYSLEXIA AND DYSORTHOGRAPHY



IMPORTANT NOTE

As written in aviation regulations, “Any false declaration made to a medical examiner by a candidate for a licence or rating will be reported to the licencing authorities [...] so that these services can take the measures that they deem necessary.”

WHY IS THIS A PROBLEM IN AVIATION?

A pilot is constantly exposed to great quantities of information. He or she must be able to read it rapidly and analyze to act or to decide on an action that may have an impact on flight safety within a matter of only a few seconds.

A candidate with dyslexia or dysorthography may thus be unable to proceed with information analysis, and this creates risks for the flight crew, passengers and other airspace users.

CANDIDATE WITH A DIAGNOSIS OF DYSLEXIA AND DYSORTHOGRAPHY

A candidate who has a dyslexia and dysorthography disability is authorized to take a screening investigation (selection examination). However, no particular measure nor arrangement is authorized when taking these tests or during the course of the program.

If the candidate gets a sufficient grade, he or she might be admitted to the program. An admitted candidate must be able to respect standards established by the CQFA to remain in the program.

WHAT IS DYSLEXIA?

Dyslexia is a persistent learning disability that affects the speed and precision of reading, which greatly hinders comprehension.

This impairment is always accompanied by difficulties in writing, which makes both reading and writing very arduous.

WHAT IS DYSORTHOGRAPHIA?

Dysorthography is a persistent learning disability that frequently causes omissions (fagile for fragile), inversions (fargile for fragile) and letter and/or syllable substitutions (vragile for fragile) in written words.



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