

GENERAL INFORMATION	
KEYWORDS	Category 3 aviation medical certificate, restrictions, heart disease
FILE NO.	C-3778-01
SECTOR (Marine or Aviation)	Aviation
SPECIFIC JOB	Systems analyst
DIAGNOSIS (Primary, Secondary, etc.)	Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
REVIEW	
DATE OF DETERMINATION	August 15, 2012
MEMBER	Dr. Kenneth J. Corbet
DETERMINATION	The Minister's decision not to renew an unrestricted category 3 medical certificate is confirmed.
REASONS FOR THE DETERMINATION	Refusal to renew an unrestricted category 3 medical certificate — The applicant does possess “an abnormality of his heart which is likely to interfere with the safe operation of an aircraft”. While the probability of the applicant having a dysrhythmia and an internal cardiac defibrillator (ICD) discharge are low, the consequences of such an event while in control of an aircraft would be catastrophic. The granting of a restricted category 3 medical certificate is a reasonable balance between public safety and the applicant's privilege to fly an aircraft. Therefore, the Minister of Transport's decision not to renew an unrestricted category 3 medical certificate is confirmed.
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