

LAA WINGS

AWARD SCHEME



GOLD

Minimum Flight Time: 500h (400h PIC)
Achievements: →→→→→
Safety Events: →→→
Navigation Challenge: A, B, and C

SILVER

Minimum Flight Time: 250h (200h PIC)
Achievements: →→→
Safety Events: →→
Navigation Challenge: A and B

BRONZE

Minimum Flight Time: 100h (50h PIC)
Achievements: →
Safety Events: →
Navigation Challenge: A

LAA Wings Navigational Challenges

- A 200nm (2 intermediate stops)
- B 400nm (3 intermediate stops)*
- C 600nm (4 intermediate stops)*

* 200nm credit for sea-crossing of greater than 20nm

PARTICIPATION IN THE SCHEME

The LAA Wings award scheme is administered by the LAA Pilot Coaching Scheme. If you're a qualified pilot of aeroplanes or rotorcraft, then you are eligible to apply—you don't have to be a LAA member.

APPLYING FOR YOUR AWARD

You must complete a simple application form and upon completion of the requirements presenting your supporting evidence to a LAA Coach, LAA Strut Co-ordinator, or CFI at a Registered Facility or Approved Training Organisation.

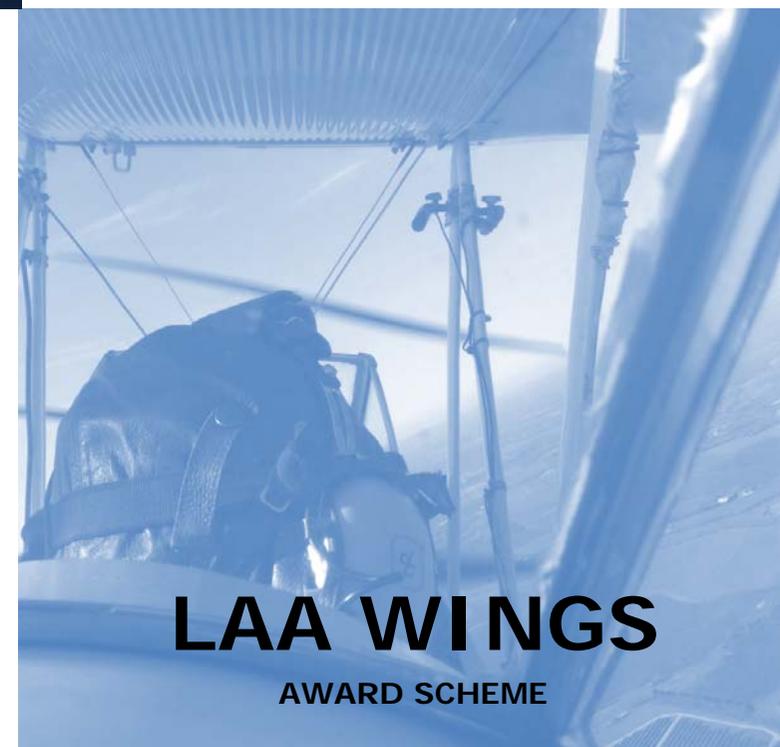
A small administrative fee is charged for issue of the LAA Wings award. Provided the relevant requirements are met the appropriate LAA Wings award will be issued to you recognising your achievement. You'll receive a special produced LAA lapel pin accompanied by a signed LAA Wings certificate.

Completed application forms, together with the appropriate fee, should be sent to:



LAA Wings Award
Light Aircraft Association
Turweston Aerodrome
Nr Brackley
Northans
NN13 5YD

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INTRODUCTION

The Light Aircraft Association Pilot Coaching Scheme has developed the LAA Wings Award Scheme to meet requirements of the CAA published framework for the Pilot Recognition for Operational Up-skilling and Development (PROUD) for pilot training programmes.

The Light Aircraft Association (LAA) offers all pilots of aeroplanes or rotorcraft three levels of award:

- **LAA Wings - Bronze Award**
- **LAA Wings - Silver Award**
- **LAA Wings - Gold Award**

In association with the CAA, the new scheme is designed to improve the skills levels of private pilots.

This initiative aims to encourage 'life-long' learning for members and other pilots as a route to helping improve safety.

The CAA has stated that introduction of the PROUD initiative is intended to close individual skills gap and also to help tackle the high 'drop-out' rate amongst recently qualified PPLs, many of whom lack confidence and motivation.



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LAA WINGS AWARD

There are three levels of LAA Wings award against which criteria are set: Bronze, Silver, or Gold. Each award requires completion of:

Minimum Flight Times

For LAA Wings BRONZE award, the total flight time and pilot-in-command time are set deliberately low to encourage participation at an early stage following completion of initial pilot training. LAA Wings SILVER and GOLD award minimum flight times are set higher to encourage continued development as a private pilot.

Achievements

As you develop your flying experience from the LAA Wings BRONZE Award through to GOLD, each stage of the scheme requires Achievements to be completed. Achievements recognised in this category are listed on the LAA Wings website; these do not have to be accomplished in any particular order. However, your application for the LAA Wings BRONZE Award must show that one Achievement has been met, a total of three for SILVER (which could include the one cited in your previous application for Bronze) and, similarly, five for GOLD.

In all of the flying activities undertaken in pursuit of the LAA Wings award, it is essential that you carry out activities **safely**. Whilst meeting the requirements of the scheme you are expected to seek to attain high standards in training, practice effective use of threat and error management, and display a high standard of airmanship throughout.

GOLD

SILVER

BRONZE

Safety Event Attendance

For the LAA Wings GOLD award you will need to show you've been to a minimum of three different approved Safety Events, two for the LAA Wings SILVER award, and one for the LAA Wings BRONZE award. A list of LAA Wings approved Seminars is available on the LAA Wings website.

Extended Navigational Challenge

Many pilots never venture out of their local area, which is both limiting in terms of enjoyment and fulfilment, but also stifles development and confidence. The LAA Wings award therefore includes an element of extended navigational challenges.

Qualifying navigational flight requirements are defined in terms of total distance and number of intermediate take-offs or landings between the point of departure and the final destination. The intermediate take-offs or landings must be made at different airfields from the point of departure and the final destination. You must show that the appropriate flight requirements have been met when applying for your LAA Wings award as indicated.