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## Memorandum

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To: All FIRC Providers

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Subject: FIRC Graduation Certificate Validity Periods

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On March 28, 2008, a memo was sent to all FIRC providers informing them that if they employed an ACR, they would not need to issue an FAA Form 8060-4 Temporary Airman Certificate. The FAA Form 8060-4 has a valid period of 120 days.

Some FIRC providers have received letters of authorization to conduct their FIRCs that required that they issue graduation certificates stating that their certificates were valid for a period of three calendar months. To maintain consistency with the FAA Form 8060-4 all FIRC provider's graduation certificates will be valid for a period of 120 days from the date of issuance.

Those providers whose current graduation certificates state a 3 calendar month validity period are requested to modify future certificates to state a validity period of 120 days from the date of issuance. Previously issued certificates with the stated 3 month validity limitation will be honored for 120 days.

The current AC 61-83F guidance referencing this issue is being rewritten to bring it into alignment with the 120 day expiration period of the 8060-4.

If you have any questions please contact AFS-800 at (202) 267-8212, and ask for information regarding FIRCs, or email: [9-AWA-AVS-AFS-FIRC@FAA.GOV](mailto:9-AWA-AVS-AFS-FIRC@FAA.GOV).