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Notice to Aircrew

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Pilot Footwear

Following the investigation of a recent incident involving a solo student whose shoe became jammed between the left rudder and brake pedal, resulting in a runway excursion, an examination of the shoes being worn revealed a tear in the left toe, see picture below:



The style of shoe to be worn should conform to the following:

- Black leather uppers
- Non-slip sole
- Flat heeled
- Rounded toe that follows the wearers toe shape as opposed to being excessively long
- For males examples are 'Oxfords, Brogues or Derbys' or equivalents, no trainers
- Females should find a comparable gender equivalent, no trainers
- If a slip on style shoe is worn care should be taken to ensure it fits properly and will not inadvertently come off during aircraft operations



The shoe on the left in the photo is inappropriate when flying, it being some $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " longer than the foot of the pilot. The shoe on the right is the correct style to be worn whilst flying.

It should be noted that a student will not fly if their footwear is deemed unsafe by their FI and /or the Training Manager.

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