

Aviation in Australia has become a worrisome beast. The Gestapo attitude towards pilots makes them fearful of losing their license if challenge to CASA is undertaken.

I had to replace cables on my airplane after a knee jerk reaction mandating an AD which was later overturned. Meanwhile I had complied with the AD at great expense and for no reason.

Maintenance on privately flown GA aircraft costs as much as it would if I was a commercial operator. CASA should adapt part 91 standards for private operations and remove the excessive paperwork and unnecessary works required.

I have just complied with a 2nd flight test for a CPL(h) as CASA did not have faith in the flight testing officer that was indemnified by CASA. Why should this happen and why do I have to pay extra to comply with a demand from CASA.

Air regulations should be simplified to respect general aviation. I would like to draw the example of the United States FAA program. It might not be totally aligned with ICAO but it does represent the largest general aviation population in the world. I flew 45 hours in the US last July and found it refreshing a treat to travel from the California to Illinois to Canada back to Seattle and returning to California. Friendly and helpful culture in the controller ranks made it easy and fun. After all pilots fly for the enjoyment, some are lucky enough to get paid.

Give the airports back to the community, they were initially for the community but have now become fenced in blockades discouraging the community to participate in General Aviation.