

## COVID19 - ARC RENEWAL AND BGA AIRWORTHINESS SUPPORT

An integral part of the BGA airworthiness support service to owners is an ARC renewal reminder email. Owners are automatically reminded in advance that expired BGA ARCs can be renewed through any BGA approved ARC signatory within 90 days following the expiry of the ARC. After that, BGA inspectors are not authorised to work on an aircraft or issue ARCs unless the aircraft has been brought into the BGA airworthiness organisation by submitting a BGA airworthiness support application.

Due to the COVID19 situation, with immediate effect any BGA ARC can be renewed through any BGA approved ARC signatory within 150 days following the expiry of the ARC. After that, BGA inspectors are not authorised to work on an aircraft or issue ARCs unless the aircraft has been brought into the BGA airworthiness organisation by submitting a BGA airworthiness support application.

If you receive an automated email from the BGA regarding ARC expiry or BGA airworthiness support expiry quoting 90 days, please read that as 150 days.

For example, an ARC that expires in early April 2020 now results in the glider remaining within the BGA airworthiness system for a further 150 days, ie until early Sep 2020. *Please note that the ARC expiry date remains unchanged.* Only the CAA can authorise change to an existing ARC expiry date and we have seen no indication that will happen.

### **My glider has an expired ARC or I expect it to expire soon. What should I do?**

We recommend:

1. Contact your inspector or workshop that usually supports you and discuss when the ARC can be renewed taking into consideration [COVID19 Government guidance](#).
2. Note that a glider that has a recently expired BGA ARC will remain within the BGA airworthiness system for 150 days following the date of ARC expiry.
3. If the ARC can be renewed during the additional 150 days, no further action is necessary.

### **My glider has an expired ARC and I've overrun the 150-day period or I expect to. What should I do?**

We recommend:

1. Contact your inspector or workshop that usually supports you and discuss how the ARC can be renewed when the current restrictions allow.
2. Note that BGA inspectors are not authorised to work on an aircraft or issue ARCs unless the aircraft has been brought back into the insured BGA airworthiness organisation.
3. You will need to purchase an airworthiness support subscription, which includes an ARC renewal. [The airworthiness support application form is here.](#)

If you need more information, please contact the BGA office.

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