

Who can be a chaperone?

A member of staff can be a chaperone, such as a nurse, or other suitably trained member of staff.

Can a family member act as a chaperone?

Your family member cannot act as a formal chaperone. You can however request that a member of your family or a friend be present as an informal chaperone during the examination.

Can I refuse a chaperone?

You have the right to refuse a particular person as a chaperone. In the event that an alternative chaperone is unavailable at the time of the examination, the AME will delay the examination to a later date when another suitable chaperone is available.

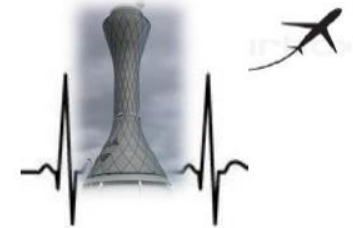
In all cases where the presence of a chaperone may intrude in a confidential AME – pilot discussion, their presence will be confined to the physical examination. One to one communication between the AME and the pilot can continue afterwards.

What is the chaperone's responsibility?

The chaperone is there to provide you with the confidence that the AME performing the examination, is doing so in accordance with their training and in accordance with good, safe practice.

What if a chaperone cannot be offered?

In the event that a chaperone cannot be offered because of staff availability, then you will be informed and asked to reschedule your examination.



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Your AME is committed to providing an environment where you feel safe and comfortable at all times.

Your AME is committed to developing a culture within the practice that promotes and champions the privacy and dignity of all clients.

Some health care interactions and particularly where they involve intimate parts of the body and states of undress, can make clients feel vulnerable.

The presence of a chaperone may assist in supporting and reassuring the applicant during the examination.

Your AME believes respect, explanation, consent and privacy are paramount to ensuring you receive a positive client experience.

What to expect

You will be offered a chaperone for your examination. You can request a chaperone is present during any health interaction that you feel uncomfortable with. The role of the chaperone will be clearly explained to you and the person introduced to you by the AME who is to undertake the examination.