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Collection Overview

Repository: National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title: Pilots' Licenses Collection
Date: 1911-1948
Identifier: NASM.XXXX.0650
Extent: 0.33 Cubic feet (1 box)
Language: This collection contains materials in English, French, and Italian.
Summary: This collection contains pilot's licenses issued in the early 20th century. It includes licenses from various nations such as Canada, France, Italy, and the United States.
Digital Content: Image(s): Posed group of eight Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) licenses issued by the Aero Club of America between 1911 and 1916.
Container: Box 107 (Shared)

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information
Gifts and transfers from various sources and unknown, NASM.XXXX.0650.

Processing Information

Preferred Citation
Pilots' Licenses Collection, NASM.XXXX.0650, National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution.

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Biographical / Historical

Pilots' licenses became a requirement in the United States after the 1926 Air Commerce Act. Prior to this date, licenses were available for different aircrafts across various disciplines. Private organizations issued their own licenses while military organizations often had their own licenses with their own standards.
Prominent international organizations, such as the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI), supplied licenses to aviators around the world. Founded in 1905, FAI formed through the collaboration of aviation clubs from eight countries: Belgium, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Spain, Switzerland, and the United States. These licenses often served to allow individuals to participate in aeronautic events endorsed by these organizations.

With a variety of different examples of pilots' licenses, the collection provides insight into the types of license that were issued to military and civilian pilots during the first half of the twentieth century.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of a variety of pilots' licenses issued by civilian, government, and military organizations dating from 1911 to 1948. The collection contains about 75 items, which includes a variety of different license types and personal effects relating to each pilot.

Licenses issued by the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) form the majority of this collection. All four founding organizations of FAI - Aero Club D'Italia, the Aero Club of America, the Aéro-Club de France, and the Royal Aero Club - are featured. The United States Navy and Air Corps with one item from the Canadian Air Force represent the military licenses in the collection. Licenses issued by the United State Department of Commerce form a large portion of commercial licenses issued by governments. Other forms of personal identification were discovered with many of the pilots' licenses. Examples of these personal items include a driver's license, a firearms license, aviation membership cards, and business cards.


Arrangement

This collection is arranged alphabetically by surname of the licensee.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:
- Aeronautics
- Air pilots
- Women air pilots

Types of Materials:
- Identity cards

Names:
- Aero Club of America
- Coffyn, Frank, 1878-1960
- Havens, Beckwith.
Keightley, George M., 1889-1967
National Aeronautic Association (U.S.)
Upson, Ralph Hazlett, 1888-1968
## Container Listing

### Balloon and Airship License, 1923
- **Image(s):** Blank Balloon and Airship License
- **Language:** French.
- **Notes:** A blank Balloon license issued by the French Service de la Navigation Aérienne from 1923. There is a handwritten note on the front of the license indicating that dirigibles can be flown under the license.
- **Topic:** aeronautics, civil
  - Licenses
  - Balloons -- France

### Raymond Emmanuel Bollack
- **Language:** French.
- **Notes:** Raymond Emmanuel Bollack was born in Paris on the 11th of February 1891 and held an Aerostat pilot's license.
- **Topic:** aeronautics, civil
  - Ballooning
  - Licenses

### Aerostat Pilot's License, 1913, 1913-08-07
- **Language:** French.
- **Notes:** An Aerostat license issued to Raymond Emmanuel Bollack in 1913 by the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale. It includes a photo of Bollack, along with his signature.
- **Topic:** aeronautics, civil
  - Ballooning
  - Licenses

### Laura Bromwell, 1919-10-22
- **Notes:** Aviator pilot certificate issued by the Aero Club of America, a member of the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI), to Laura Bromwell and dated 22 October 1919. The license includes a small portrait photograph of Bromwell. Item is currently displayed as an exhibit.
- **Topic:** Aviatrix
  - aeronautics, civil
  - Licenses

### John Milton Bryant
- **Language:** English.
- **Notes:** John Milton Bryant was born on the 2nd of April, 1887. Bryant was issued an aviator's license by the Aero Club of America in 1913.
- **Topic:** aeronautics, civil
  - Aviation
  - Licenses

### Aviator's License, 1913-02-19
Notes: An Aviator's license issued by the Aero Club of America to John Milton Bryant on the 19th of February, 1913. The license includes a picture of Milton and a business card attributed to Bennet Aero Co.

Topic: aeronautics, civil Aviation Licenses

Frank T. Coffyn
Language: English.
Notes: Frank T. Coffyn was born on the 24th of October, 1878. He held both a helicopter and Aviator license.

Aviator's License, 1911-05-24
Notes: An Aviator's license issued to Coffyn by the Aero Club of America on the 24th of May, 1911. It includes a picture of Coffyn.

Topic: aeronautics, civil Aviation Licenses

Helicopter Certificate, 1944-09-04
Language: English.
Notes: A Helicopter license issued to Coffyn by the National Aeronautic Association of the United States of America Inc. It includes a photo of Coffyn.

Topic: aeronautics, civil Helicopters Licenses

Curtis La Q. Day
Language: English.
Notes: Curtis La Q. Day was born on the 24th of May 1896. He was issued an Aviator's certificate by the Aero Club of America on the 6th of August, 1914.

Topic: aeronautics, civil Aviation Licenses

Aviator's Certificate, 1914-08-06
Language: English.
Notes: An Aviator's Certificate issued to Day on the 6th of August, 1914 by the Aero Club of America. The license includes a picture of Day.

Topic: aeronautics, civil Aviation Licenses

Richard Duncan
Language: English.
Notes: Richard Duncan's birth date cannot be discerned from the available material due to its being obscured by an inkblot. Duncan possessed an Aviator's certificate, an Air Engineers certificate and a Commercial Air pilot's certificate.

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<td>Air Engineer's Certificate</td>
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Topic: Licenses

Beckwith Havens
Language: English.
Notes: Beckwith Havens was born on the 29th of May, 1891. He possessed a Naval Aviator's certificate.

Topic: Naval aviation

Licenses

Naval Aviator's Certificate, 1918-03-22
Language: English.
Notes: Naval Aviator certificate issued to Beckwith Havens by the United States Navy Department. Dated 22 March 1918 and received 5 June 1918. Pilot's license includes small photograph of Havens. Also contained in license is the Uniformed Service Identification and Privilege Card of Angela C. Havens (wife of Beckwith Havens) dated 18 December 1957.

Topic: Naval aviation

Licenses

Frederick A. Hoover
Language: English.
Notes: Frederick A. Hoover was born on the 2st of October 1887. He was issued a Aviator's license by the Aero Club of America in 1912.

Topic: aeronautics, civil
Aviation
Licenses

Aviator's License, 1912-02-28
Language: English.
Notes: An Aviator's license issued to Hoover in 1912 by the Aero Club of America. It contains a photo of Hoover. A business card belonging to Hoover is taped to the back of the license.

Topic: aeronautics, civil
Aviation
Licenses

George M. Keightley
Language: English.
Notes: George M. Keightley was born on the 5th of June 1886. Keightley possessed sporting licenses issued by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A between the years 1928 and 1929.

Topic: aeronautics, civil
Aviation
Licenses
Annual Sporting License, 1928
Language: English.
Notes: An Annual Sporting License issued to Keightley by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A in the year 1928. Although no precise date is given in regards to its issuing, the license is valid until the 31st of December, 1928. The spine of the license is fragile.
Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Annual Sporting License, 1929
Language: English.
Notes: An Annual Sporting License issued to Keightley in the year 1929 by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A. Although no specific date is given regarding it's issuing, the license is valid until the 31st of December, 1939. The two pages of the license are separate due to the lack of spine and the paper itself is fragile.
Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Benjamin Scovill Kelsey
Language: English.
Notes: Benjamin Scovill Kelsey was born on the 9th of March 1906. The collection contains a large assortment of licenses issued to Kelsey from both civil and military organisations, as well as accompanying personal effects.
Topic: Aviation
Licenses

United States Department of Commerce Mechanic's License, 1927-12-01
Language: English.
Notes: A Mechanic's license and accompanying identification card issued to Kelsey on the 1st of December 1927. The identification card includes a photograph of Kelsey. The material of both items is fragile.
Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Aircraft Pilot's License, (bulk 1924-1929)
Notes: Six Aircraft Pilot's licenses issued annually between 1924 and 1929 to Benjamin S. Kelsey by the State of Connecticut's Department of Aviation and arranged chronologically within an official Aircraft Pilot's License envelope. Each license certified Kelsey to operate airplanes. Licenses dated between 1927 and 1929 identified as a 'Commercial.'
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<td><strong>Connecticut Operator's Licenses, (bulk 1928-1929)</strong></td>
<td><strong>Notes:</strong> Two Motor Vehicle Operator's licenses (driver's licenses) issued to Benjamin S. Kelsey by the State of Connecticut's Department of Motor Vehicles and held in chronological order within an official Operator's License envelope. Dated 1 March 1928 and 7 March 1929.</td>
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<td><strong>Notes:</strong> Three items associated to Transport Pilot's License no. 3200 issued to Benjamin S. Kelsey by the United States Department of Commerce. The Transport Pilot certificate card expired 15 September 1929. The Transport Pilot's Rating Authority was signed and dated 15 April 1930. The Transport Pilot's License, issued 28 Mach 1930, includes renewals between 1931 and 1935. A photograph of Kelsey is also attached to the license. All items are particularly fragile, existing in fragments.</td>
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**Pilots' Licenses Collection**

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** A series of instrument flying certificates issued to Kelsey by the United States Air Corps. They form a set of six certificates issued between 1937 and 1941.

**Topic:** Aviation

**US Army Air Corps Identification Card, 1938-08-04**

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** An identification card issued to Kelsey by the United States Army Air Corps in 1938. The identification card contains a photograph of Kelsey.

**Topic:** Licenses, Aviation

**London Driver's License, 1949-06-13**

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** A London Driver's License issued to Kelsey on the 13th of June, 1940 by the London County Council. The license expired on the 12th of June 1941.

**Topic:** Licenses

**Alfred S. Koch**

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** Alfred S. Koch was born on the 16th of September, 1893. He was issued an Annual Sporting License by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A in 1931. A blue card bearing the Aero Club of America's seal and signed by Koch is included with the license.

**Topic:** Aviation, aeronautics, civil, Licenses

**Aero Club of America, 1918-1919**

**Notes:** Aero Club of America membership card issued to Lt. Alfred Koch as an Army and Navy member for the 1918-1919 year.

**Topic:** Licenses, Aviation

**Annual Sporting License, 1931**

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** An Annual Sporting License issued to Koch in 1931. Although no precise date is given regarding its issuing, the license expired on the 31st of December, 1931. The license includes a photograph of Koch.

**Topic:** aeronautics, civil, Aviation, Licenses

**Lawrence Leon**

**Language:** English.
Notes: Lawrence Leon was born on the 1st of June 1889. He was issued an Aviators License by the Aero Club of America in 1916.

Topic: aeronautics, civil
Aviation
Licenses

Aviator's Certificate, 1916-09-27
Language: English.
Notes: An Aviator's Certificate issued to Leon by the Aero Club of America on the 27th of September, 1916. The license contains a photograph of Leon.

Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Grover Loening
Language: English.
Notes: Grover Loening was born on the 12th of September, 1888. This series contains a variety of licenses belonging to Loening, as well as personal effects.

Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Private Pilot Certificate and Pilot's Identification Card, 1928-07-01
Notes: License folder including Private Pilot license no. 2648 and Pilot's Identification Card with small portrait photo attached issued on 1 July 1928 to Grover Loening by the United States of America Department of Commerce, Office of the Director of Aeronautics.

Topic: Licenses
Aviation
aeronautics, civil

Aviator's Certificate, 1929-07-24
Language: English.
Notes: An Aviator's Certificate no. 7171 issued to Grover Loening on 24 July 1929 by the National Aeronautic Association (NAA), member of the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI). It includes small portrait photo of Loening and signatures of Orville Wright (Chairman) and George Lewis (Executive Vice-Chairman).

Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Annual Sporting License, 1929
Notes: An Annual Sporting License issued by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A to Loening in 1929. Although the license does not provide a specific date of
issue, it expired on the 31st of December, 1929. The license includes a loose photograph of Loening.

**US Department of Commerce Certificates, (bulk 1929-1948)**

*Language*: English.

*Notes*: Two airman certificates with associated rating records for pilot's license no. 2648 issued to Grover Loening by United States Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration. Both certified Loening as a private pilot of airplanes, single-engine land. The first certificate, stamped as duplicate, included two documents issued on 12 December 1946. The other certificate is dated 19 April 1948.

**Aviation Country Clubs membership card, 1929**

*Notes*: Aviation Country Clubs Inc., affiliated with the Long Island Aviation County Club, issued a proprietary member card to Grover Loening for 1929.

**Pistol License, 1940-01-18**

*Language*: English.

*Notes*: A pistol license issued to Loening by the State of New York in 1940. The license includes a photograph of Loening.

**Business Card**

*Language*: English.

*Notes*: A business card belonging to Loening, bearing the logo and name of the Grover Loening Company Inc. Handwritten notes on reverse side. A photograph is included with the card.

**Airman Identification Card**

*Language*: English.

*Notes*: An Airman's Identification Card issued to Grover Loening by United States Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration. The identity card includes a personal description, small photograph, and fingerprints of Loening. Date not listed. Item is fragile along the folds of the document.
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<td>Cord Meyer</td>
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<td>Notes: Aviator's Certificate issued by National Aeronautic Association (NAA), member of the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI), to Cord Meyer (1893-1964). The license, which includes a photograph of Meyer, issued on 2 October 1912 and then reissued on 19 April 1928.</td>
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<td>Zenos Ramsey Miller</td>
<td>Language: English. Notes: Zeros Ramsey Miller was issued a Military Aviator's certificate by the U.S Army Air Service in 1919.</td>
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<td>Military Aviator's Certificate, 1919-04-11</td>
<td>Notes: A Reserve Military Aviator's license issued to Miller on the 11th of April, 1919 by the United States Army's Air Service. It includes a photograph of Miller.</td>
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<td>Thomas DeWitt Milling</td>
<td>Language: English. Notes: Thomas DeWitt Milling was born the 31st of July, 1887. Milling was issued an Aviator's License by the Aero Club of America in 1911.</td>
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<td>Charles L. Morris</td>
<td>Language: English. Notes: Charles L. Morris was born on the 20th of October, 1908. He possessed an Airplane Pilot's License issued by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A.</td>
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Airplane Pilot's License, 1913-02
Language: English.
Notes: An Airplane Pilot's License issued to Morris in February, 1913 by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A. It contains a photograph of Morris. The lettering on the gold section of the cover is faded.

Annual Sporting License, 1929
Language: English.
Notes: An Annual Sporting license issued to Rasche in 1929 by the National Aeronautic Association of the U.S.A. Although no precise date is given regarding the issuing of the license, it expired on the 31st of December, 1929. The license contains a photograph of Rasche.

Aviator's Certificate, 1917-04-25
Notes: Aviator's Certificate issued by the Aero Club of America to Rohlfis on the 25th of April, 1917. The license contains his portrait photograph.
Aero Club of America certificate card, 1920

Notes: Certificate card no. 699 issued by Aero Club of America, member of the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI) to Roland Rohlf as licensed pilot. Not dated, but expired 31 December 1920.

Topic: Licenses
Aviation
aeronautics, civil

Pilot's Identification Card, 1928-10-16

Language: English.
Notes: Pilot's Identification Card issued to Rohlf by the United States Department of Commerce on the 16th of October, 1928. The license includes a photograph of Rohlf.

Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Transport Pilot's License, 1930-05-01

Notes: Transport Pilot's License no. 3200 issued by the United States Department of Commerce, Aeronautics Branch, to Roland Rohlf. The license includes a photograph of Rohlf and ten renewals issued between 1931 and 1935.

D. deR. M. Scarritt

Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Transport Pilot's License, 1927-05-05

Language: English.
Notes: A Transport Pilot's license issued to Scarritt on the 5th of May, 1927 by the United States Department of Commerce. The license includes a photograph of Scarritt.

Topic: Aviation
aeronautics, civil
Licenses

Mechanic's License, 1927-07-01

Language: English.
Notes: A Mechanic's license issued to Scarritt by the United States Department of Commerce on the 1st of July, 1927. The license contains a photograph of Scarritt.

Topic: Licenses
Aviation
aeronautics, civil

Walter J. Shaffer

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**Thomas E. Springer**

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<td>Thomas E. Springer was born on the 23rd of January, 1892. Springer was issued an Aviator's Certificate by the Aero Club of America.</td>
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**Aviator's Certificate, 1916-06-28**

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**Norman Sweetser**

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<td>Norman Sweetser was born on the 29th of April, 1894. He was issued both an Aviator's Pilot License and a Superiore Aviator's Pilot license by the Aero Club of Italy.</td>
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**Superiore Aviator's Pilot License, 1918-02-21**

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<td>Brevetto Superiore di Pilota-Aviatore [Superior Aviator-Pilot Patent] issued by Aero Club d'Italia, member of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale (FAI), to Norman Sweetser as certified 'Pilota Aviatore di 1o Grado al N. 1853' [1st grade aviator pilot no. 1853] and 'N. del Brevetto DCCCXVII-' [pilot's license no. 817]. The license</td>
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is dated 21 February 1918, written in Italian, and includes a photograph of Sweetser.

### Aviator's Pilot License, 1918-02-21

**Language:** Italian, French.

**Notes:** Pilote-Aviateur [aviator pilot] license no. 1853 issued to Norman Sweetser on 21 February 1918 by Aero Club d'Italia, member of Fédération Aéronautique Internationale (FAI). The license is dated 21 February 1918, written in both Italian and French, and includes a photograph of Sweetser.

### Alexander Blair Thaw II

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** Alexander Blair Thaw II was issued an Identity Card by the American Expeditionary Force during World War I.

### American Expeditionary Forces Identity Card, (bulk 1917-1918)

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** An Identity card issued by the American Expeditionary Forces to Thaw during World War I. The card contains a photograph of Thaw. The spine of the card is fragile. Issuing date not listed.

### Ralph H. Upson

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** Ralph H. Upson was born on the 21st of June, 1888.

### Dirigible Balloon Pilot's License, 1917-07-25

**Language:** English.

**Notes:** A Dirigible Balloon Pilot's license issued to Upson by the Aero Club of America on the 25th of July, 1917. The license contains a photograph of Upson.

### Spherical Balloon Pilot's License, 1913-06-25
| Notes: | A Spherical Balloon Pilot's license issued to Upson by the Aero Club of America on the 25th of June, 1913. The license contains a photograph of Upson. |
| Topic: | Ballooning aeronautics, civil Licenses |

| Notes: | License folder of Ralph Upson containing Private Pilot's License no. 10290, issued on 1 December 1929 by United States Department of Commerce, Aeronautics Branch, and a medical waiver dated 13 November 1930. License includes a photograph of Upson and renewals issued between 1930 and 1934. Both documents are loose and held together with strong bound around spine of folder. |
| Topic: | Aviation aeronautics, civil Licenses |

| Notes: | The Pilot's Identification Card issued to Ralph H. Upson on 1 December 1929 by the United States Department of Commerce, Aeronautics Branch, and includes a small photograph of Upson affixed at upper right corner. The Airman Identification Card issued to Ralph H. Upson by United States Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration, is not dated. The tri-fold card includes personal description, small portrait photo, and fingerprint card of right hand. |
| Topic: | Licenses Aviation aeronautics, civil |

| Notes: | Student Pilot Certificate no. S431314 issued on 3 July 1942 by United States Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration, to Ralph Upson for private pilot license. |
| Topic: | Aviation aeronautics, civil Licenses |

| Notes: | Clifford L. Webster was born on the 14th of May 1891. Webster was issued a Naval Aviator's certificate by the United States Navy. The Aero Club of America issued Webster both an Aviator's pilot license and an Annual Hydroaeroplane certificate. |
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| **Hydroaeroplane Certificate, 1925**  
Language: English.  
Notes: A Hydroaeroplane Certificate issued to Webster by the Aero Club of America in 1925. No precise date is given regarding the certificate's issuing, however it does state that the certificate expired on the 31st of December, 1925. The license contains a photograph of Webster. |
| **Naval Aviator's Certificate, 1917-11-05**  
Language: English.  
Notes: A Naval Aviator's certificate issued to Webster on the 5th of November, 1925 by the United States Navy. The license contains a photograph of Webster. The inside of the license is fragile, specifically the protective covers on either page. |
| **Aviator's Pilot License, 1911-10-25**  
Language: English.  
Notes: An Aviator's license issued by the Aero Club of America to Webster on the 25th of October, 1911. The license contains a photograph of Webster. |
| **E. A. Yeager**  
Notes: E. A. Yeager was born on the 17th of July, 1892. Yeager was issued a Spherical Balloon Pilot's license by the Aero Club of America. |
| **Spherical Balloon Pilot's License, 1917-08-08**  
Language: English.  
Notes: The Aero Club of America issued a Spherical Balloon Pilot's license to Yeager on the 8th of August 1917. The license contains a photograph of Yeager. |