



# Lichten Eligibility Statement

Individuals entering the competition for the Vertical Flight Society (VFS) Lichten Award must meet **ALL seven (7)** of the following criteria to be eligible for the competition. **This form must be signed and submitted to your VFS Region to confirm eligibility.**

<b>1. I am a current member of the Vertical Flight Society (VFS).</b>
<b>2. I have never previously presented a paper at a national or international meeting of a technical society</b> (e.g., the VFS Annual Forum, AIAA conference, VFS Technical Meeting, European Rotorcraft Forum, presentations at a local chapter meetings of a technical society, as well as presentations to local civic organizations, are exempt from this constraint).
<b>3. I have never served as the principal author of a technical paper which has been previously published and/or presented at a national or international meeting of a technical society.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A "principal" author is a sole author or (in the case of works with multiple authors) the individual of who performed the plurality of the work being reported. The order of names in the paper/presentation citation is not the governing criteria.</li><li>• "Published" shall be interpreted to mean included in<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The proceedings of a meeting, forum, or conference of a technical society (e.g. VFS, AIAA, SAE, ASME, ERF) which was conducted as a national or international event (vice a local or regional event), or</li><li>○ An archival Journal of such organizations.</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>4. I am the principal author of the work documented in the presentation and paper being submitted.</b>
<b>5. This presentation is new unpublished material.</b>
<b>6. The work performed has not been submitted for presentation consideration at a national or international meeting of any technical society, with the exception of the following:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Non-VFS Forum papers are eligible provided the meeting is held after the Forum closing date.</li><li>○ Papers submitted for the current VFS Forum are also eligible provided they meet all of the aforementioned requirements.</li></ul>
<b>7. The paper and presentation has been cleared by my organization or agency prior to submission for publication and presentation.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It is the author's responsibility to determine and acquire the appropriate types and levels of clearances – internal and external – for the paper to be published and presented.</li><li>• No classified or otherwise restricted material may be used in conjunction with the Lichten paper or presentation.</li></ul>

For questions or issues with respect to the above eligibility requirements, contact the Technical Programs Director at VFS headquarters.

Entrant: My signature below confirms that I meet ALL seven (7) of the eligibility requirements described above.

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Signature

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