

FAA: Pilot in fatal Truckee plane crash had expired medical certificate

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The pilot whose private plane crashed south of Truckee on Tuesday morning was flying with an expired medical certificate, according to multiple sources.

Flying without a medical certificate is an illegal violation of Federal Aviation Administration regulations, according to Ian Gregor, public affairs manager for the FAA's Pacific Division.

The accident killed the pilot, 67-year-old Kenneth Whitall-Scherfee of Carmichael, and one of his passengers, 55-year-old Peter Jackson of West Hollywood. The plane's only other passenger, whose identity has not been released, was being treated for critical injuries in a Reno-area hospital as of Thursday afternoon.

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