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### Regulation Joke

*Happy Aprils Fools EASA*

Dear EASA,

April Fools

Today, on the 01st April 2013, Ryanair will reset all of their pilots' flight hours back to zero. This effectively means that as pilots operating for Ryanair, we can now legally fly 900 hours between April and December of 2013, even if we flew 300 hours from January to March of 2013.

In practice, it means we could fly 1200 hours in 2013.

Ryanair's special arrangement to zero-down pilots' hours on the 1st of April each year has been approved by the Irish Aviation Authority (IAA). To our knowledge, this arrangement does not exist anywhere else in Europe.

This may sound like an April fool's joke but it is only aviation regulation and flight safety that is being made a fool of.

Ryanair Pilot Group

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Mr Eamonn Brennan  
CEO Irish Aviation Authority

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Supported by ECA Members Associations, the Ryanair Pilot Group (RPG) encompasses all pilots operating for Ryanair. Our primary concern as Professional Air Line Pilots is Safety. Our goal is to gain fair representation and change the culture in our workplace. For more information on the Ryanair Pilot Group, visit [www.ryanairpilotgroup.com](http://www.ryanairpilotgroup.com)