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The Complete Private Pilot Syllabus **Third Edition**

Sport Pilot Addendum

Adapting the Syllabus for Sport Pilot

Part 61 Private Pilot applicants are required to have logged a minimum of 40 hours of flight time but the national average is about 65 hours. Similarly, the Sport Pilot applicant must have logged a minimum of 20 hours but the average student may require as much as 30 hours prior to being ready for the sport pilot practical test, especially if the student's goal is to upgrade to private pilot status at a later date.

All "VR and IR" notations should be ignored. The sport pilot certificate does not require training in aircraft control by reference to flight instruments.

Per 14 CFR §61.313, if you are applying for a sport pilot certificate with an airplane category then you must log at least 20 hours of flight time, including at least 15 hours of flight training from an authorized instructor in a single-engine airplane and at least 5 hours of solo flight training which must include at least:

- (i) 2 hours of cross-country flight training,
- (ii) 10 takeoffs and landings to a full stop (with each landing involving a flight in the traffic pattern) at an airport;
- (iii) One solo cross-country flight of at least 75 NM total distance, with a full-stop landing at a minimum of two points and one segment of the flight consisting of a straight-line distance of at least 25 NM between the takeoff and landing locations, and
- (iv) 3 hours of flight training in preparation for the practical test within 60 days before the date of the test.

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Sport Pilot Curriculum

Complete the following lessons from the Private Pilot Course

Lesson	Dual Flight	Solo Flight	Dual X/C	Solo X/C	Ground Instruction
Stage 1					
Preparation for Solo Flight					
Flight 1	1.0				1.0
Ground 1					1.5
Flight 2	1.0				1.5
Flight 3	1.0				0.5
Ground 2					1.5
Flight 4	1.0				0.5
Flight 5	1.0				0.5
Ground 3					1.5
Flight 6	1.0				0.5
Flight 7	1.0				0.5 + Presolo Exam
Ground 4					1.5 + Stage 1 Exam
Flight 8	0.5	0.5			0.5
Stage 2					
Cross-Country					
Flight 10 Note: Students training in airplanes with V_H of less than 87 knots should disregard the mention of flight by instrument reference only. All Sport applicants can disregard inadvertent loss of visual reference and Airport Surveillance Radar approaches.	1.5				0.5
Flight 11 Note: The standard of accuracy for turns is $\pm 10^\circ$ for Sport Pilots.	0.5	0.5			0.5
Ground 6					1.5
Flights 12 and 13	1.5	1			0.5
Ground 7					1.5
Flight 15 Note: Students training in airplanes with a V_H of less than 87 knots should disregard transitioning from visual to instrument reference, etc.	1.0		1.0		0.5

Lesson	Dual Flight	Solo Flight	Dual X/C	Solo X/C	Ground Instruction
Stage 2 (continued)					
Ground 8					1.5
Flight 16 Note: Disregard Class B and C airspace. This flight should include a landing at a point more than 50 NM from the departure airport. Stops at airports enroute are encouraged in order for the applicant to become familiar with strange-airport procedures.	1.0		1.0		1.0
Ground 9					1.5 + Stage 2 Exam
Flight 18 Note: This is the required 75 NM round-trip flight. One nonstop leg must be more than 25 NM and there must be a landing at each of a minimum of two points.		2.0		2.5	1.0
Stage 3					
Pilot Operations					
Flight Lessons 22, 23, and 25 constitute the required two hours of training in preparation for the practical test. Flight Lesson 24 is not applicable.					
Ground 10					1.5
Flight 22	1.0				0.5
Ground 11					1.5
Flight 23		1.0			1.0
Ground 12					1.5 + Stage 3 Exam + Final Exam
Flight 25	1.0				1.0
Totals 14 CFR §61.313	15.0	5.0	2.0	2.5	35.0



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