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What it Takes to become a Pilot

Becoming a private pilot, and beyond, is a challenge that we all can undertake, but work and commitment is needed to be successful. We have seen people who have never flown in a small airplane become a private pilot in as little as five weeks! The benefit of finishing this quickly is an overall savings in dollars, but real work and consistency of training is needed to accomplish this. For someone who flies three times a week and studies on their own, they expect to finish in as little as three months.

The Steps

Becoming a pilot may not be as difficult as you think and here is a short overview of what it takes:

1. Take an introduction Flight to see if you will enjoy flight training
2. Start studying for your written test. The knowledge you will acquire will help you with your flying experiences while you are learning
3. Begin your flight training
4. Take your FAA written test
5. Take your Stage-1 flight test before your solo flight



Take your first Solo flight!

6. Take your Stage-2 flight test before your first solo cross country flight

Fly 50 miles or more from your home airport on your first Solo cross country flight!

7. Take your Stage-3 flight test

Take your FAA flight test - You're a PILOT!

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What Supplies will you Need?

There are a number of 'things' you will need to become a pilot, some of them you can borrow or rent, others you just need to buy.



1) A Headset. This device is used to keep the noise to a minimum allowing you to hear air traffic control, other pilots, and your flight instructor. This is something you can buy, borrow or rent.

2) Books! There are a number of different companies that supply the student pilot with study materials (ASA, Jeppesen, Gleim, The FAA). Some of them can be found online, others need to be purchased. There are even



computer based training guides that help you through the task of studying to become a pilot. It's your choice.

3) Flight Computer. A flight computer helps you do the light math necessary when calculating cross country flight data including: Ground speed, Fuel consumption, Time to your Destination, Temperature conversions and more. You can get an electronic one (requires batteries) or a mechanical one (no batteries).



4) Charts and a Plotter. Once you're in the air, you will need maps to get you where you need to go and a plotter to help measure distances to your final destination. These are easy to come by and relatively inexpensive.

Ahart Aviation Services can supply all of your pilot needs. Visit us at <http://www.ahart.com> or call us at (925) 449-2142 for more information.