

## **Private Pilot Program**

The private pilot license is the first license aspiring recreational and career-minded pilots typically obtain. The process of learning to fly can be intimidating but don't worry; we will be there every step of the way.

Your private pilot training experience with AIA is broken into four parts-

1. Discovery Introduction Flight & On-Boarding Meeting
2. Stage 1: Fundamentals of Flight Training (20-30 Hours of Flight Time)
3. Stage 2: Advanced / Solo Flight Training (10-15 Hours of Flight Time)
4. Stage 3: Examination and Testing (10-15 Hours of Flight Time)

Each training stage integrates ground and flight lessons. Lessons in each stage follow a careful, step-by-step progression of introducing and then practicing each task, with academic assignments preceding the flight lessons.

### **Discovery Flight & On-Boarding Meeting**

For almost everyone, the Discovery Flight is the first step to becoming a pilot. This flight is a "mini-lesson" where you will tour the school, learn about becoming a pilot and then actually fly the aircraft with a professional Certified Flight Instructor.

After the Discovery Flight, you will meet with the Chief Instructor for an onboarding meeting to go over your goals, timeline and any other aspect of your training you wish to discuss. At this time, you will also be given a cost estimate and assigned a primary flight instructor.

### **Stage 1: Fundamentals of Flight Training (20-30 flight hours)**

Stage one is by far the largest portion of the training process, you can expect to complete anywhere from 20-30 flight hours of training before completing this stage.

During this stage, you will be introduced to the basics of flight including:

- Aircraft terminology
- Principles of flight
- Airport operations and airspace
- Radio and communications
- Weather
- FAA Regulations & Rules
- Checklist usage
- Flight maneuvers, take-off, and landing

At the end of the stage, you will also complete your first official Check Flight & exam with a Paragon designated Check Instructor, Assistant Chief or Chief Instructor just prior to your first solo flight in the aircraft.

The purpose of our Check Flight Process is it:

- Serves as an internal quality check.
- Prepares you for your final check ride with the FAA.
- Ensures you are ready for your first solo flight.

### **Stage 2: Advanced / Solo Flight Training (10-15 flight hours)**

During this stage, you will continue to improve your flight skills, including landings and cross-country navigation. We are preparing you for your next two solo cross-country flights and your supervised night cross country flight.

You will also complete your second Check Flight with a Check instructor prior to completing your solo cross-country flights.

### **Stage 3: Examination and Testing (10-15 flight hours)**

This is the final phase of your training where you will complete your final solo flights and any final requirements that are needed. After that, you will focus on the final preparation for the FAA oral and flight exam with your instructor.

Prior to your FAA oral and flight exam, we will complete your final check flight with Paragon, which is called your End of Course flight. This flight is a mock-check ride that will simulate your FAA oral and flight exam to be sure you are truly ready to become a pilot.

Once you pass the FAA exams, you're officially a Private Pilot!

Paragon Flight's highly-structured training approach is a significant benefit for our students. It ensures that all necessary and required training topics are thoroughly reviewed. It also serves as a progression-guide along the journey to becoming a private pilot.

### **Pricing Breakdown**

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Quantity (Hrs.)</b>	<b>Price Per Hour (USD)</b>	<b>Cost (USD)</b>
Flight Time	57	\$ 139.00	\$ 7,923.00
Flight Instruction	50	\$ 58.00	\$ 2,900.00
Ground Instruction	45	\$ 50.00	\$ 2,250.00
Books and Supplies	1	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Flight Physical	1	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
Written Test Fee	1	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00
Check Ride fee	1	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
Total		Diamond	\$ 14,483.00
		Cessna	\$ 13,400.00